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TODAY'S WEATHER. Portland, June 12.—For Oregon and Washington: Occasional showers.

Local weather for the twenty-four hours ending at 5 p. m., yesterday, furnished by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, weather bureau. Maximum temperature, 58 degrees. Minimum temperature, 46 degrees. Precipitation, .44 inch. Total precipitation from July 1st, 1892, to date, 84.56 inches.

THE TAXATION QUESTION. While acknowledging the justice of the Astorian's position that taxation in Clatsop county is excessive, there are a few people in the city who, for the purpose of gratifying some personal enmity, are endeavoring to frown down the present movement in the direction of a reduction of taxes.

A PROPHET OF EVIL. The Cathlamet Gazette naturally feels aggrieved that the days of the river pirate are over. It looks with disfavor on the good feeling which prevails between the Astoria salmon packers and fishermen. It is doubtless surprised that our packers have been able to dispense with the "combination," which this season would have poured money into the pockets of up-river and Washington cannerymen at the expense of the old-established, well-organized concerns in Astoria.

present. It will add over a million dollars to the wealth of Oregon this year, despite the gloomy predictions of the Washington shore Cassandras.

SETTLER'S RIGHTS. In a public letter, Senator Dolph sets at rest, for the present, the expectation that settlers in Clatsop county and elsewhere will be refunded the excess of \$1.25 per acre which they paid on the assumption that they were buying homesteads contiguous to railroad lands.

"Now as to the facts concerning the proposition to refund this \$1.25 an acre to settlers who have paid the maximum rate within forfeited railroad grants. During the Fifty-first congress I introduced a bill for that purpose. At the first session of the Fifty-second congress I secured the report, and reported from the senate committee on public lands a bill for the purpose. The report was authorized by a bare majority of the committee, every republican senator on the committee voting for it and every democratic senator voting against it.

The tumble in rates which the Great Northern has caused is appreciated by Astoria merchants. Instead of \$5.40 per hundred on first class goods, from New York, they will henceforth pay only \$2.48. The Great Northern railway is well represented on this coast. Col. P. P. Shelby, the general manager, whose headquarters are at Seattle, unites varied culture with long experience in railroad management. He left the Union Pacific to take charge of the Great Northern's Montana division at Helena, where he was popular and successful. He was transferred to a high position at the head office of the company in St. Paul, whence he was sent to Seattle, where the Great Northern has weighty interests.

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SUMMONS. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Clatsop county: William Lehning, plaintiff vs. Emma Corder, Lydia Jamison, Jennie Johnson, Sophia Lehning and Augusta McConnell, defendants.

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