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TAXATION.

If the people do not think and reason among themselves on all public affairs, abuses will develop and grow more and more. In early days taxes were not very high and the assessors were easily evaded, often; but now the burden grows more serious.

COAL MONOPOLY.

The Hayes Valley Advertiser of San Francisco thus speaks: "During the past winters, the damnable monopolies of coal and its carriage has caused more suffering than it is possible to describe, short of a volume as big as the holy Bible."

A TROUBLESOME DECISION.

It seems to be a remarkable decision of the supreme court of the United States which gives to Edison the exclusive use on certain Electric Light patents. There seems no doubt as to the claim that these same principles and methods were patented in Europe long before Edison obtained his.

NOVEL FUELS.

The people in some of the great peach-raising valleys of California are using peach stones for fuel. They burn as well as coal, and sell readily at six dollars per ton. This reminds us that a stove called the trash-burner is now going into use in Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas.

The Southern Pacific has carried an average of fifteen thousand passengers both ways, per month during the winter. Of these an excess of five thousand per month has come West, and full one half of them have come as second class.

A girl at Harrisburg, Pa., paralyzed her face and her lower jaw by incessant gum chewing. Thousands of young fellows have paralyzed their brains by incessant cigarette smoking.

Splendid services in honor of La Salle are to be performed in some of the Catholic churches of San Francisco, this week.

CLASS GOVERNMENT.

EDITOR CAPITAL JOURNAL:—There is perhaps no better illustration of the law making of Oregon than the present water-steal and homestead law, the one to insure a pittance to the family of the unfortunate whose toil fails to provide for them the necessities of life, in fact the very people who feed, house and clothe us.

Poor youths, following the example set, find themselves incarcerated, for long terms, for pilfering even food to eat, while older and more hardened criminals steal thousands and stay much shorter terms. Long steals make short stops, and the rule should be applied to law makers as well.

JUSTICE.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 11, 1889. Opportunity to the Suffragists. A possibility not hitherto perceived appears in the drift of sentiment in the territories confronted with statehood.

DIED.

MAGERS.—At Stayton, Sunday, Feb. 10, 1889, after an illness of three months. Dr. W. B. Magers. Dr. Magers would have been seventy years of age had he lived until May 7th, next.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucus surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do are ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them.

The city hall at Walla Walla has been transformed into a temporary hotel for immigrants.

Don't Experiment.

You cannot afford to waste time in experimenting when your lungs are in danger. Consumption always seems, at first only a cold. Do not permit any dealer to impose upon you with some cheap imitation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds, but be sure you get the genuine.

Less snow has fallen in Eastern Washington than was ever known before.

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It is a calamity of the direst kind to feel that one's physical energies are falling in the prime of life—to feel more nervous, more dispirited, weaker every day. Yet this is the unhappy lot of hundreds around us.

Montesano has a new hotel. Oyster culture is largely carried on in Elliot Bay.

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