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TODAY'S WEATHER—Occasional rain; fresh to light southeast winds.

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RENEWAL OF OLD DREAMS.

Our "aunties" doubt whether civilization is better than savage life. Hence they are not yet reconciled even to the acquisition of the Hawaiian Islands by the United States.

Burke, in his "Vindication of Natural Society," satirized this sort of argument, very effectively. This book purported to be a posthumous work from the pen of Bolingbroke.

The sum of civilization and of all its achievements consists in departure from the ideal conditions which it is said the native Hawaiians who are laudably lost.

But if the world should accept this philosophy, the descent would be first to semi-civilized conditions, then to barbarous ones, then to savagery, and finally to brutish and reptilian. Man, however, makes progress, not by following nature, but by compelling it and turning its forces to his own use.

W. E. H. Lecky, the great writer on the "History of Morals," devotes considerable space to the social and industrial tendencies through the ages.

FIGHT THE ENEMY WITH HIS OWN TOOLS.

A letter is printed in the New York Sun, signed "B. M. C.," from a Grand Rapids, Mich., correspondent, who describes himself as an ex-officer of the Union Army.

Such flaming movements have been fostered in the British command, and by the lack of mobility through the absence of tanks.

his criticism of the British command. Grant and Sherman were, like Lee and Longstreet, supremely practical soldiers; when one thing would not do they tried another.

These educated English officers without question keep pace with the textbooks and military object-lessons of their profession.

OUR IDLE MILLIONS.

The most impressive thing in the statistics of Oregon's trade and industry we printed yesterday is the financial strength of the banks.

For the banks of a community to have nearly twice as much money on deposit as can profitably be lent is not a healthy condition.

But mark the sequel. Loans and discounts have expanded slightly, but deposits tremendously, thus:

Table with columns: Date, Loans, Discounts, Deposits. Rows for July 1897, Dec. 1897, May 1898, April 1899, Sept. 1899.

That is: Since May, 1897, the banks of the three states have increased their deposits by \$18,000,000, but their loans by only \$3,000,000.

But this sort of thing cannot last indefinitely. The difference between hard times and good times is principally a state of mind.

on every hand, these accumulated millions of savings are not going to remain long in the banks, unemployed and unproductive.

CRITICAL YEARS FOR ENGLISH CIVILIZATION.

The year 1898 was the most critical year in the history of the United States since that of 1864, which settled the fate of the civil war and compelled a radical recasting of our written constitution.

The simple question between so-called "liberal Christians" of all sects and orthodox "Bourbonism" is the validity of the supernaturalism which has been associated with a base heathen alloy with gold of the doctrine of the fatherhood of God.

In 1826 George Canning warned the Mexican government that England would oppose the seizure of Cuba by either France or the United States.

It is quite possible that Lord Salisbury was farseeing enough to understand that Great Britain had nothing to gain in helping to keep the breath of life in the decrepit body of poor, old Spain.

This revolt has always come out of the church itself, and is today heard, like the voice of the imprisoned bird in the tree trunk, within the church crying for release and liberty in no uncertain tone.

The Boer war was not unexpected, perhaps, but its severity as a test of Great Britain's power to crush a formidable revolt of well-armed and able white colonists was unexpected.

States had been repulsed in every fight in Cuba, beaten to the refuge of our ships, and had not been able to rally and "rush" the enemy back to the refuge.

THE DRIFT OF CHRISTIANITY.

The religious discussion that is raging in the newspapers throughout the country makes evident the inability of the old orthodox doctrines to hold and reach the masses.

Not long since a leading Southern Baptist paper came up boldly to the help of the weak against the mighty by deciding that women must not repeat Scripture aloud in Sunday-school exercises.

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Sales of the New Year's Oregonian yesterday by far exceeded the sales of former years; but the edition printed greatly exceeded any former edition, and copies may still be had.

The great paper is not only a record of the past year, an epitome of the growth of half a century, and a fair and full presentation of the resources of a vast region.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

A change of years has not affected Multnomah luck.

Has California any more football teams to taste our Portland cheer?

The Stanford team, with all eleven men To win a game, will have to come again.

Seven hundred and seventy-two miles is a long way to travel for the small end of an 11-6 score.

Guerin has chosen an inopportune time to make himself notorious. Real things are happening now.

Jupiter Pluvius made a very good start in 1900. Let us hope he will have the moral courage to keep it up.

Whether the new century has begun or not, our letters have begun coming bearing date in a year that looks like 1900.

The Goldsborough made 22 miles an hour against a 24-knot current. What would the Oregon have done had she been built in Portland?

Aguineldo is said to be ready to lead the insurgents in Manila. This is likely. He will lead them out faster than any one else in that country.

At Eugene, a recently married man of 69 is suing his wife for restitution of property alleged to have been secured by fraud.

Considerable interest is manifested in the efforts to establish permanently in Portland a fine symphony orchestra.

Whether one bids in some secluded Nook—Whether at Liverpool or San Francisco—The one Old Age will search him out—and He—He—when ready will know where to look.

From Cradle unto Grave I keep a House Of Remembrance where my dearest ones lie. Each kindred German—old or dead—breed Their festering Species in a deep Carous.

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