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TODAY'S WEATHER: Occasional rain, with weak southerly winds.

PORTLAND, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 10

SENATOR BEVERIDGE'S SPEECH.

An open, manly, noble and patriotic speech was delivered yesterday in the senate by Mr. Beveridge, the new senator from Indiana. It was based on a resolution on the Philippine Islands, so drawn as to defeat ambiguity and subtlety.

The appeal to the senate for the resolution was most eloquent and impressive. "Adopt the resolution," said the senator, "that peace may quickly come, and that we may begin our saving, reorganizing and uplifting work."

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A STUDY IN MUNICIPAL MORALS.

With the announcement that a \$25,000 campaign fund has been raised by the liquor interests of Spokane to defeat the present mayor for re-election, the municipal fight in that city assumes an interesting phase.

Spokane has never been charged with profligacy. It being the seat of a large mining trade, and much frequented by rough and bluff men from the mining camps, customs were tolerated there that would have brought trouble to most other communities.

of many practices hitherto countenanced was unmistakable. The new administration, representing the conscience of the community, made a radical move at the beginning, and refused to license variety halls. This was too great a step, and subsequently it was found advisable to license these houses under regulations insuring their control.

It may be doubted that Spokane is fit for severely moral regulation, but most communities are not. The necessity and necessity of such measures are now objected to there for the control of the liquor business and the haunts of vice.

DEMOCRACY AND GREENBACKS.

The democratic party seems resolved to follow its populist allies in support of the demand that there shall be no bank money, but that all paper currency shall be issued directly from the treasury.

Prior to the adoption of the federal constitution there was a general rage among large classes for "paper money." Several of the states authorized this issue, but the federal government refused to issue paper currency, and on debts and contracts, was without warrant in the constitution.

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It is not likely that the American people will ever decide that a state can be made on the basis of such a population as this. It would be too small a population for a state, if all the inhabitants were fit for the exercise of political duties, and the population, small as it is, is not likely to be much larger.

on this question, just as it also has completely reversed itself on the subject of national expansion.

THE LEMON FROM CHICAGO.

In the construction of the enormous drainage canal which was completed at Chicago last week the people of that wonderful city have laid broad plans for the future.

The remarkable possibilities of the future were recognized, and regulations were provided by law, requiring the construction to be on lines of sufficient magnitude to meet the demands of a century hence, and for this reason the Chicago canal project developed from a mere drainage ditch into what is deemed to be one of the great marine highways of the country.

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Yesterday's mail accounts of General Buller's repulse at the fortress of the Tugela river confirm the anticipations of The Oregonian that he failed through lack of thorough scouting and reconnoitering, a work that can only be efficiently done by cavalry.

The use of self-government is not to enjoy its blessings, but to do its work. And capacity to do that work is its indispensable condition.

California Recognition.

The Portland Oregonian, on the 1st inst. issued a holiday number of 38 pages of its usual form, with 24 pages of half royal quarto, in the form of a supplement, on heavy and surfaced paper, given up wholly to superb half-tone engravings of scenery, towns, cities, rivers, mountains, harbors, places of business, manufactures, falls, woods, shipping, stock products, institutions of Portland and vicinity and of Salem and of some other places.

direction of congress, is the proper thing for the Hawaiian Islands. So with the Philippines. The Boston Herald is clearly right in its emphatic statement that "It is useless to think of America extending the distant islands in a sense that shall make them a component governing part of the United States."

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asked him how she was to exorcise the spirit. The wise man told her to hang a great bowl of fresh milk high up in the chimney, as then the fairy would come to drink the milk, and would be so disgusted at finding itself all over soot that it would never return again.

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