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TODAY'S WEATHER.—Occasional rain; brisk to high, southerly winds.

PORTLAND, TUESDAY, FEB. 20, 1900.

THIS IS "IMPERIALISM."

The debate in the house on the Puerto Rican tariff is fairly under way. The substance of this bill is a proposal to remit 75 per cent of the duties on the principal products of Puerto Rico imported into the United States.

The constitutional argument will come later. Should this bill become a law, the question will be raised whether the term "United States" does or does not "cover this particular portion of the American empire."

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ISOLATED TILLAMOOK.

The miserably inadequate provision made to accommodate the Tillamook traffic in the winter time was well illustrated in the statement that a little coaster, brought into port at Astoria a few days ago with the timely assistance of a tug, forty wretchedly sick passengers.

other column show that Portland exported more wheat last month than was exported from any other port in the United States.

GENERAL KITCHENER'S LOGISTICS.

Logistics in military science means the art of moving and supplying troops in campaign. Skill and knowledge of details of this sort are indispensable to a great successful commander.

The difficulty of transport cannot be exaggerated. Oxen have to be employed, and in the heat of South Africa a comparatively short march affords exhausts them.

It is easy to say that General Kitchener's long experience in the Sudanian desert taught him all he knew, but the problems in South Africa and the Sudan were not identical.

It will not be many days till the Boers will be forced to let go of Stormberg and Coleberg by the flanking movement now in progress from the eastward by Dordrecht and Jamestown.

AMERICAN "OUTLANDERS."

The record of life in the far north, where a city with all the accompaniments of modern civilization has sprung up—literally upon a gold basis—furnished as occasion permits for the transportation of mails by The Oregonian's correspondent at Dawson.

this, if true, is that upon these short-sighted shippers cannot be visited the entire inconveniences, discomforts and miseries of the passenger traffic in stiff little bays during the season in which the mountain roads are impassable for vehicles.

HIS LEGITIMATE HARVEST.

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What did Watterson mean when he said that "under the operation of the Goebel law the result was not left to chance"? Simply that Goebel law, and if the commissioners of election should fail, the legislature would not.

THE FILIPINO UNDERSTOOD.

Which One of Our Oregon Boys Will Recognize This Story? New York Tribune, Feb. 14. "While I was in Manila," said Louis Cortright, of San Francisco, at the Waldorf-Astoria yesterday.

Profits of a Protected Industry.

Evidently the "protection" argument for high protective duties is no longer applicable to the steel business. The allegations in the Frick-Carnegie suit indicate that what was once regarded as an infant industry has become a mature, profit-making industry.

A Century of Migration.

The New York Sun has been counting up the totals of European migration during the century, and finds that the movement is the greatest of the kind recorded in history.

respecting way, is due to the ingrained respect for law that underlies the American character, en masse. These outrageously oppressive laws should be made the subject of special inquiry at Washington.

THE MINES OF EASTERN OREGON.

Many Favorable Notices by the Eastern Press. Many newspapers of the Eastern States are publishing very favorable articles about the mining of eastern Oregon.

Another rich strike was made in the Goolema day before yesterday. This is the property belonging to the English, of Dan-Baker, in the valley of the great mine in the whole camp.

WHEN WILL THEY HAVE ENOUGH?

Infant Industries Still Crying Lamentably for the Milk of Protection. Chicago Tribune. The Carnegie Company made \$21,000,000 last year, and yet the Carnegie is not satisfied.

There are many people who, while making allowance for the language of eulogy, will find the opinion on reading this, that it may overdo the business.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

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seems to have strengthened Europe rather than weakened it. This unprecedented migration seems to have been a healthy expansion movement on the part of the civilized races.

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