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TODAY'S WEATHER—Occasional showers; northerly winds.

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THE EFFRONTERY OF SEDGWICK.

The Atlantic Monthly is not doing itself credit by abandoning the vigorous attitude originally taken toward problems growing out of the Spanish war for specious reasoning like that of Mr. Nelson and Mr. Sedgwick and shallow heroes like those of Mr. Moody.

It ought to have impressed the Atlantic editor as incongruous that Mr. Sedgwick should view a stay-at-home policy as the incarnation of high and holy morality, while a policy of expansion can only be expressed, if we are honest men, in terms of ardent selfishness.

Two extracts will show the essayist's basis of operations: Back of these little causes which conspire to gather to keep a nation from the path of the Commandments, which are the great, powerful forces, that seem to move among the nations like a current through the waters.

These were the conditions under which the splendid volunteer Army in the Philippines was developed. It would be folly to generalize from this one experience that a large volunteer army could at any time be raised in the field at all comparable with the volunteer army that did so gallant service in Luzon or to the regulars who fought with them there and in Cuba.

This lack of competent officers for a large volunteer Army and of partially trained men is a probability that the volunteer Army would enjoy the advantages of a year of actual service training before taking the field for genuine campaigning.

THE PIANO IS POLITICS. An indication of the advance of universal prosperity that cannot be mistaken is seen in the increase of articles of luxury.

acknowledge a quickened impulse of patriotism in the stirring notes of the "Battle of Fragua," vigorously pounded out, must still admit that for all purpose of geniality and good cheer in households and in neighborhoods, these sounds are a vast improvement over the crack of hard times so long heard in the land, and the howl of calamity that for years "breathed harsh discordance on the air."

NEED OF MILITARY INSTRUCTION.

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deeply stirred by the memory of those times, yet political and social conditions from father to son in a way that will awaken much enthusiasm for the name of Yates in the coming contest, regardless of present political strife from which his nomination was evaded.

THE ARISTOCRACY OF SKIN.

United States Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, in a recent address before the Good Government League of Michigan University, at Ann Arbor, on "The Race Question in the South," said in presence of a negro student, who was an attendant upon the lecture, that "search one of these colored graduates under the skin and you will find the savage. His education is like a coat of paint, like his skin."

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moderately light blows inflicted by the Argus. The effect, so far as the island is concerned, would probably have been less had the received the blow from a derelict or a good-sized log. In such a case, the single word "missing" on the maritime records would have offered the only explanation of the lost ship.

The marriage of His Imperial Highness, Crown Prince Yoshihito, of Japan, Princess Sada Koo, daughter of the Emperor of Korea, at the Imperial palace at Tokio yesterday. The affair as scheduled presented a curious mixture of old and new, Oriental and Occidental. The state of transition which the erstwhile Hermit Kingdom is undergoing is peculiarly marked in the ceremonial which makes the Prince a woman who has spent many years in educational work in Japan, that nation's first permanent advance toward Western civilization must come through a modification in its estimate and treatment of its women.

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WHY AMERICANS EXCEL.

The London Times is publishing a series of articles upon American engineering competition. That paper sent an expert investigator to the United States, and he is now warning English manufacturers that they must bestir themselves or they will lose their supremacy in departments where they have since long reigned.

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CLAIMS OF PERSONS AND PARTY

Two tickets before the people in the election in this city and county deserve the consideration and respectful attention of the public. They are the Republican and Democratic. The only issues in this campaign are between them. Each represents a principle—a code of principles—and each has put forward candidates in themselves representative and of good character.

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If your vote is worth anything to you had better register. Mrs. Mildred McLean Hazen Dewey is now out of politics. Missouri mules are now worth \$10 apiece, and still they are kicking. Uncle Sam will not proceed to see if the unskatable Turk is also the unbluffable Turk.

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