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TODAY'S WEATHER.—Generally fair; probably warmer south to west winds.

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It will be a considerable time till the population of the state can be known. It was 1,176,712 in 1890. The Oregonian will guess it this year at 440,000.

The apparent McKinley friendliness to Dolliver—among others—as a candidate for Vice-President would seem to indicate that the Administration wants a voice, an orator. What is the matter with Hanna? He has his own voice, as well as the President's ear.

We have had a first steamer from Cape Nome with the latest spring news of that frigid gold region. As might have been expected, we are informed that the gold fields are richer and more productive than has yet been represented.

NO PARTITION OF CHINA. The capture of the Taku forts, at the mouth of the Pei Ho River, and the impending occupation of Pekin, no more necessarily implies the partition of China than did the taking of the Taku forts and the occupation of Pekin in 1860.

If the perils encountered by the steamer Alpha have not been greatly exaggerated, was to the great fleet that recently set sail for Cape Nome. We are assured by Captain Buckholtz that his steamer had a "score of narrow escapes from being crushed in the sea."

the steamer's journey that was really unique was her bold and notorious defiance of the United States customs regulations. She is a Canadian vessel, and as there is no port of entry open to her, she was not entitled to land at Cape Nome.

"WHO HAVE NOT HAD THEIR SHARE." Candidate Bryan says: "The Republican party will talk prosperity, of course, but we'll be willing to take the votes of all the people who have not had their share of prosperity and leave them the votes of the people who have had their share."

This is pitiful stuff. In fact, every man shares in prosperity who really desires it, or has any rational reason to expect to share in it. But nobody can fairly expect results of any kind, without making the effort necessary to secure them.

Candidate Bryan says, in effect, "Give me the votes of all the idle, shiftless, unprosperous, ne'er-do-well people, and you may have the rest." Evidently he thinks this description of himself.

But prosperity is more general than the candidate thinks who hases his hopes on the votes of the shiftless and shiftless classes; who, instead of engaging in rational efforts to attain prosperity, have wasted their time in flocking to hear this professional candidate.

There is right reason for complaint when streets, paved as Alder street and Sixth street have been, at the expense of owners of property, are broken up right through their middle, for laying down a telephone conduit; especially since the telephone companies, as the street-car companies, pay nothing whatever to the public for the franchises they enjoy.

Bishop Cranston is quoted as saying that it is worth any cost in bloodshed or any cost of money to make the Chinese true and intelligent Christians. The bishop is full of extravagant ideas. He would lead his flock into a blind alley of blood and money called Christianity.

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the powers, China might be Europeanized and taught how to save herself, even as Japan was saved.

THE VICE-PRESIDENT. The single open question before the National convention is, Who shall receive the nomination for Vice-President? It is conceded, in theory at least, that the Vice-President should be a man who is not only equal to the demands of his position, but to the exacting and responsible duties of the Chief Executive of the Nation.

An interesting and valuable contribution has been made to early Oregon history in the location near Seaside, Clatsop County, of the salt cairn in which sea water was evaporated to secure salt for the use of the Lewis and Clark expedition in the first years of the century, and on the site of old Fort Clatsop, where the intrepid explorers passed the Winter of 1804-5.

A man who signs his name J. R. Smith writes from Walla Walla to the Kansas City Star, advising workingmen not to come from Missouri and neighboring states to the Western country. He complains that the hired man claims no social consideration, is not received as an equal in the family.

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ful a record of the dogs he killed while searching gives rise to the suspicion that the dog he has been charged with killing is not a dog at all, but a cat.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA. Observations by a Recent Traveler in the East. J. Van Borewick, New York Sun.

After a residence of nearly 30 years in Japan and China, I may say that your conception of the situation is correct, in so far as it is based on the facts, and a distance. The writer has recently pointed out the approach of the drama now set on the boards with China as the theater.

Russia had watched Japan sleepily, and although unable to secure the facts, she would be at a disadvantage and might suffer a severe loss of prestige. For Japan's navy largely exceeds that of Russia's.

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and stays in politics, the chairman of ways and means and the leader of the House Appropriations Committee.

THE VOTE OF NEW YORK. As Candidate for Governor Roosevelt is the chief rival of McKinley in the contest for the Presidency, the interest in the vote of New York is correspondingly great.

The Tribune has information from Washington that the Administration leaders do not favor the proposal to force the Vice-Presidential nomination upon Roosevelt against his wishes and against the interests of the party.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

It still looks like rain. If Tammany has to eat crow this Fall, it can have the satisfaction of having it served up on ice.

A New York man has been arrested for living in Chicago. New Yorkers are getting to be a pretty hard lot.

The wind has just blown a Kansas-railroad train off the track. Where was William Jennings Bryan when it happened?

PostgreSQL can talk all he wants to now without endangering a strike among the compositors on the Congressional Record.

"It's an ill wind that blows nobody good," said the Kansas farmer, when the cyclone dropped his neighbor's new barn into the back yard.

Managers—Why was it you stirred up a row among the members of the company last night? Autor—The audience begged me to do it.

It is a good thing Seattle's census was taken before this latest news from Nome. She would have counted about 1,000,000 people who passed through this summer.

A judicious investment in cannon firecrackers at this time of the year will save the parents of the irrefragable small boy the necessity of ever having to buy him any spectacles.

According to German statisticians, there are nine cities with more than 400,000 German inhabitants, though the term German seems to be pretty well stretched. They are: Berlin, 1,650,000; Vienna, 1,154,000; Hamburg, 820,000; New York, 638,000; Amsterdam, 518,000; Brussels, 458,000; Munich, 411,000; Chicago, 407,000; Leipzig, 400,000.

The rain it raineth every hour. Some twenty times an day. And every time we venture forth. We're chased in by a shower.

The clouds are rolling through the sky. The day is dark and dreary. (As poets oft have said before). The wind is strong and cold. But though it rains and rains and rains For days and days together, We'll hold on to our hats and say That this is clearing weather.

No royal house in Europe, except those of Germany and Italy, originated in the country that it rules. The Guelfs in England came from Hanover and earlier from Bavaria. The Emperor of Russia, the King of Denmark and the King of Greece have their origin in Holstein.

Of all the fads and fancies That ever struck the town— Been going up and down— There's none that we remember Like one that's just blown in Where the girl, with black coat plaster, Builds a mold upon her chin.

There's many a beauty doctor Mark up a perfect-chin knives, Will take the moles off women; Although it risks their lives, For moles on fair complexion Mark up a perfect-chin knives. So why on earth should women Construct them on their face?

The early English fashion Of planting small black dots Upon the female forehead, Is the most unfavored style. Was fraught with but one purpose— Its sole and only aim— Mark up a perfect-chin knives. Where beauty spots were lame.

So why should lovely woman Mark up a perfect-chin knives, Will take the moles off women; Although it risks their lives, For moles on fair complexion Mark up a perfect-chin knives. So why on earth should women Construct them on their face?

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PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHERS

Pollakman (examining broken window)—Bogorra, but it's more serious than I thought it was. It's broken on both sides—Punch.

"What do you think of the question asked Mr. Hornswood—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

A Purser—He-I may as well confess it, done. I'm a bit of a man. I've never asked you what you would do if you was in deez place."—Washington Star.

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Progress in India, tourist—"What is that Native-That, what? That is our new car of Juggernaut—electric motor, ball bearings, steel rims, and everything up to date. The only drawback is a great improvement on the old road-crusher. Why, our people come hundreds of miles now just for the pleasure of getting stuck in this useless machine."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Good Comradeship. St. Louis Republic. It may have been only a checkered word. A grasp of the hand in meeting. But if hope revived at the message heard. Or courage came from the greeting. How fine to think of a soul so waxed strong. Of a burden lighter growing. Because you happened to come along. When life made its dreariest showing!

For this is the true good comradeship. In the life we live together. That holds to a friend with a firmer grip. The rougher the way or weather. That stings to gladden the hearts of all. Till, with the echoes blending. The words are heard of twilight fall. And the road has reached its ending.