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TODAY'S WEATHER .- Partly cloudy and

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INADEQUATE MEANS TO AN IMPOS-SIBLE END.

According to the Kansas City school of statesmanship, the crying need of the country today, in a financial way, is a "bimetallic price-level." What is a "bimetallic price-level," why do we need it, and how are we going to get it? A bimetallic price-level is manifestly such a coinage ratio between gold and silver as will remain constant under all circumstances. It is such a ratio as will be unaffected by the closure or mints to silver, by scrambles of European treasuries for gold, by Klondike development of mining machinery and reduction processes, by panies with

and no more, in the United States, battle of Manila Bay. Whatever the ups and downs of gold General Alejandrino also says that hospitals were crowded with the and sliver in Lombard street, at St. Dewey promised "independence and wounded. The horrors of this insurrec-Petersburg, at Calcutta, on the bourse of Berlin or Paris, so much gold shall be worth just exactly so much silver, in to the Teller declaration of Congress. the United States, no less and no more, This is obviously an undertaking of im- leged interview with Dewey took place. pressive magnitude. Yet it is neces-sary. We have the Kansas City school's word for it.

The Filipino statesmen saw Dewey, they say, in April, 1898, "when the rup-ture of hostilities became imminent."

But, if the question is not impertinent, whence does this acute necessity arise? In 1896, we were informed. The atonement for the crime of '73, but corection of the enormous appreciation of gold, the fall in prices of commodities, the increase of debt among the people, the prostration of industry, the impoverishment of the people, and, in general, anites themselves are citing prosperity pendence to Cuba. the exact nature of our extremity is invented long after by the antis? withheld from us for prudential or humanitarian reasons.

and possibly vain and disastrous efforts of the Kansas City school to tories. It is very coarse work in inachieve it. As to one step in the contemplated minary move to the "bimetallic pricelevel," it is proposed to enact immediof gold and silver at the present legal of his falseness, or else to substantiate soldiers as our contingent of the army ratio of 16 to 1." Of this it is necessit with specific testimony. On both of 80,000 men that early in August will very pointedly. The universal experience shows that under free coinage seps it. It is inevitable in the nature unists continue to put forth free shance of all facts, or else morally are unfit to be given control of the Government. And they won't get it.

MAGNANIMITY DESERVING NOTICE.

tellectual effrontery and moral turpitude to persist in living and doing busiess outside of Clatsop County, Oregon, is an anomaly that unremittingly har- sty? rows the Astoria mind. That other mmunities should continue to manucture lumber, ship grain and carry on the business of existence generally, stubbornly blind to the fact that only "beyond the comprehension of the but steadily opposing the purposes in Astoria is enterprise of any sort egitimate, presents a problem that bafhes inquiry and exhausts indignation.

In yesterday's issue of The Oregonian casts this Astoria perplexity in a fresh mold. Mr. Elmore confronts the salmon beings, many of whom are already werybody off from fishing except the ing hunger, renders the task of relievpeople at the mouth of the river.

The Columbia River is overfished, such magnitude as to appall charity will take some years to become a fixed Depletion of the salmon runs is exag- and unnerve the hands of benevolence. rerated, of course, and for a manifest | The object in reciting these horrors is, purpose, but still it is true that the Co- of course, to prompt people to give gen-States Fish Commission has told us of these starving millions. Much has these many years that fishing should been accomplished in this way, but the be strictly confined to the months of task seems to be an interminable one, are a thrifty people, and insist upon May, June and July. But, instead of since promise of crops in the stricken a dollar having a definite value. we keep open a nine months' season. drought. It is inhuman to allow these ifr. Elmore knows this, and he com- people to starve, but perhaps the explains of overfishing. But what is the treme of inhumanity is in the result of the premises? Simply that some way which serve but to keep thousands of the benefit of intending homeseekers must be found to keep the wheels from these people alive without in any de- and investors.

Artificial propagation is a failure now. he says, though he ignores the catch of marked salmon, but would succeed if only we stop the wheels. It is impossible now to enforce the law against fishing in the Clackamas. The only remedy for that also is to stop the wheels. The cannors have always dominated the Legislature, to his chagrin, apparently, but if the wheels could be

stopped, this, supposedly, would end. The climax of Mr. Elmore's magnanimity is reached in his willingness to see all the wheels moved down to tidewater, where there is no current to operate them.

There is one simple, honest, effective and just plan to fill the Columbia River absolutely to all fishermen alike from August 1 to May 1, and keep up the hatcheries. But because the plan is so just, effective, honest and simple is just why it never can be adopted except over the indignant protests of our Clatsop County philosophers and philanthropists. They want the salmon protected from everybody else, so that they can fall upon them with the more fatal and unerring extermination. Let us have reform in this matter, but let its operations not apply to our nets or our cannerles.

How would it suit Mr. Elmore to limit all fishing to wheels and seines and traps, with a proviso that all gillnetters who were so disposed could drift at will in the rapids through the dalles and over the cascades?

PETTIGREW'S LATEST.

Let us admit at the outset that the pronunciamento received by Pettigrew from General Alejandrino may be forgery gotten up by some unworthy imperialist. It is so damaging to the cause it purports to champion that one would fain believe no anti, native or foreign, could seriously offer it in evidence.

General Alejandrino says he said to Dewey in April, 1898:

We are very grateful for this generous man-ifestation of the great American people, and being made through an Admiral of their navy, we value it more than a written contract.

Of course he could not have said any opening of Indian, Chinese or Mexican such thing, because Dewey was not an Admiral then, and because no such colloquial arrangement could possibly or South African gold discoveries, by have the value of a written contract. Alejandrino also says he said to Dewey in April, 1898, that the Filipinos their contraction or active business had been fighting for their independwith its swollen demands. All this is ence. The record is otherwise. They to be arranged by act of Congress. had been fighting to punish the friars Gold shall be worth so much, no less and resist official spoliation. They had It was not until Sunday afternoon, May and no more, in the United States, no thought of independence, the best Sliver shall be worth so much, no less evidence goes to show, until after the that the civil war was over. The dead

freedom, as we have proclaimed to the which was not passed until after the al- sixteenth century. The ink was hardly dry on President with success until three months of fac-Mckinley's signature to the declara-tional rule had almost destroyed Paris. tion when Polo was bundled out of Washington and Woodford out of trial people in the paralysis of hard for Havana Bay. If the call was made

an evidence of the correctness of Another Interesting remark accred- government of China today responsible their demands for "more money," Con- lted to Dewey is the dictum that the for the acts of the de facto government sequently, we are left in doubt as to the "Constitution prevents territorial ex-nature of the miseries which impel us to pansion outside of America." Could would have been for holding the de jure fly to a "bimetallic price-level." We anything be more puerlie than this government of France in 1871 responsican only conclude that a change from ridiculous attempt to put into Dewey's bie for the de facto government of Paris present conditions is necessary, though | mouth in April, 1898, a stock phrase | by the Commune. The de jure govern-

Then the tout ensemble. Here is a It cannot be plain, blunt, old sea-dog, who has said denied, however, that numbers of our explicitly that he knows nothing but the de jure government at Pekin has people, having fresh in mind the diffi- his trade, made to pose as sponsor for authorized the outrages upon foreignalties of 1893-7, will incline to bear the the American Government, as an infinancial ills we have rather than fly to | terpreter of the Constitution, pledging | we have no more cause for war than if others that might be involved in a "bi- this Nation to a "humanitarian" camletalic price-level," or in the frantic paign and prating of the Union's rich- American commerce and murdered the ness and its "sparsely inhabited" terri-

vention.

The effort of the antis is to prove rogramme, we are advised. As a pre- that Dewey is one of the most monu- stances, even if we had been stupid mental Hars on record. Maybe he is, but it is incumbent on them to show stely "the free and unlimited coinage his motive and the inherent probability rights in sending over 11,000 American sary to say but little, and that little counts their failure is signal. Such march on Pekin, to rescue the de jure cooked-up evidence as the Alejandrino document would clear the accused in if it has been faithful to its duty, or to each metal takes its bullion value and any court of law. As for Dewey's char- replace it by an efficient native admin acter as two years of searching scrutiny of the case. The history of every free has revealed it, he is the very antithe- matter what the truth may be, our colnage nation under the sun supports sis of the liar. He is ingenuous to a Government has adopted a line of pol-Why, then, do the Kansas City fault. He tells the truth impulsively icy that is absolutely sound. when he ought to keep still. He is too within its treaty rights in everything sinage as the creator of a stable ratio frank for his own good. If he had the that it has done thus far, and will be guile attributed to him by the antis, within its treaty rights when our little are content to submit their dictum in the duplicity by which they seek to army of 18,000 Americans sets forth for clothe him suitably for their own ranks, Pekin. There is war in China, but we he never would have said when he came are not at war with China, any more home that he was too ignorant of poll- than an attack upon a great fleet of

One shrinks from the idea that the anti-imperialists are crazy, but how can citizens and preserve commercial clse can you account for Pettigrew's rights now guaranteed by putting out this Alejandrino document

The conditions of fainthe in India are, as said in a sermon delivered in one ing German newspaper of our city pulpits Sunday evening, United States, always Democratic, American people." The details as fur- of the Bryanized Democratic party, nished from time to time in support of says he will not accept Bryan, the plea for aid for these myriads of matter what professions the Nebraska starving creatures, are shocking even Populist may make. In an interview noted navigator and philanthropist to the most ordinary sensibilities. The published in the New York World of Clatsop and Tillamook Counties fact that this famine covers a vast area July 18 he says that, while he will not peopled by more than 60,000,000 human support McKinley, he unquestionably lem, and every way he turns it, it emaciated to mere skeletons and dead essents to him only one face-shut to all other feelings than that of gnaw- tude toward Bryan, as it does that of ing them even for a single day one of nhia River is overfished. The United erously of their substance for the relief iplying with a three months' season, district has again been blighted by solusion his logical powers draw from the best endeavors of benevolence,

be held to be mitigated by prolonging the process with now and then a mouthful of food.

JUSTICE FOR CHINA.

Outcry against China is natural, and to some extent justifiable; but the verdict of history will be made up calmly from all the facts, exculpatory as well as damning. Some things forgotten in heat will be remembered upon reflection. If the Chinese Government is a participant, active or passive, in the Boxer outrages, civilisation will hold her to strict account. But the fact is not yet proven. It may prove false. If the Boxers have temporarily , overwith salmon. That is to close the river powered the Chinese authorities, the occurrence is one that has precedents enough in Western civilization, notably in the insurrection of the commune of Paris in 1871, when a de facto insurgent government was transiently able to rule the city against the authority of the de jure government. On that occasion the insurgents began by selsing cannon, arms and ammunition. Their military basis was the National Guard, but their ranks were soon swelled by thousands of French regulars, who left their colors and deserted with their arms to the enemy. General Lecomte and General Thomas were taken prisoners, insulted and mahreated by the mob, and a few days later were shot in cold blood by a file of soldiers. The insurgents captured an intrenched camp on the heights of Montmartre, took possession of the Place Vendome and the Hotel de Ville, and by the 19th of March, 1871, the Commune was in military possession of Paris and all its forts, with the excep-tion of Mont Valerien. The government sent a flag of truce to the insurgents on April 2, but its bearer was seized and shot. The government sent an army of 150,000 men against the 90,000 of the insurgents. From April 2 to May 24 there was terrible fighting. The insurgents, maddened by defeat, burned the Tulleries, the Palais Royal and the Hotel de Ville. The government troops in their fury shot down the captured insurgents, men and women, without The insurgents in their turn mercy. shot to death the venerable Archbishop of Paris, and a number of other prominent persons, who had been held as hostages. General Gallifet, late Minister of War, ordered every insurgent prisoner shot whose powder-blackened fingers showed that he had been firing from the barricades. The insurgents forced prisoners to man the barricades, and then shot them down in cold blood. 29, that Marshal MacMahon announced covered half the streets of Paris; the tion, which lasted from March 15 to world at large." This evidently refers May 28, had not been equaled since the massacre of St. Bartholomew in the

Now, if Mr. Washburne, the American Minister to Paris, and the other resident foreign Ministers, had been massacred in Paris by the Commun-The moment that Congress passed the lsts, we certainly could not have held conference report directing the use of the Versailles Government responsible, the Army and Navy to restore order because it did its best to put down the exigency involved not only formal in Cubz, that moment hostilities ceased Commune, although its efforts to sunto be "imminent" and became existent. press the insurrection were not crewned

The hostile action of a mob furnishes no cause for war, unless we know that Madrid, troops were on the move at the government connives with the mob overthrow of a system which "has every Army post in the Union, and or refuses to punish the guilty. No locked fast the prosperity of an indus. Sampson's fleet was weighing anchor facts have yet reached us which warrant suspicion of complicity on part of These untoward circumstances when hostilities were "imminent," it the Chinese Government with the atroare not in evidence now, for the Bry- was before Congress had pledged inde- cities lately committed. There is no more reason for holding the de jure ment of China is still recognized as the supreme authority in Southern and Central China, and until we know that a piratical Chinese junk preyed upon crews of captured American merchant-

> We have, nevertheless, done all that it was possible to do under the circumenough to declare war. Under our treaties with China we are within our government from the clutch of rebellion istration if it has been faithless. tics to be President, or afterward that Chinese pirates would be war with he would run, but didn't know yet China. We are seeking for the restorawhich party he would be nominated by. tion of peace under a government that will be strong enough to protect Ameriand this protection we are affording as an impeachment of Dewey's verac- without a declaration of war,

Editor Oswald Ottendorfer, of the New York Staats Zeitung, the leadof. will oppose Bryanism. The Kansas City platform, he says, settles his attimost German-American voters. Imperialism, according to Mr. Ottendorfer. American policy, even if its advocates should dare to go far in adopting it, which he doubts. With free silverism, however, it is different. avowed policy of the Bryanites, and German voters will not support it. They

The Board of Trade of Oregon City is proceeding in an intelligent manner to nake known the superior resources and advantages of Clackamas County for A pamphiet is being gree abating their misery. The hor- compiled with this end in view, 10,000 Bo with other aspects of the question, rors of death by starvation can hardly copies of which will be printed for gen- flying at each other's throats it is difficult

eral distribution. Clackamas County possesses varied resources and natural advantages unsurpassed by any other section of the state. In farming, fruit or grasing lands, timber resources and manufacturing facilities, this county presents excellent opportunities to inlustry and enterprise. It has a wide area, a pioneer history of which its people are justly proud, and future prospects which, with true hospitality, men of capital and men of industry are invited to come in and develop and share, Commenting upon the local prosperity and thrift everywhere apparent in and around Oregon City, hast Spring, a visitor from Portland was answered by the brief statement, "Everybody has work." Here was opportunity joined to inclination, and backed (as attested by whirring spindles, thumping looms and the buzz of machinery in pulp mills and electric power works) by capital and enterprise, the whole proclaiming prosperity of a type that grows because

it cannot stand still. The Oregonian is not going to say much about politics now. This is not the season. But it will have something to say, when the time comes for it. Its remarks will go, at the proper time, against nonsense, silliness, feather-headedness. But this is the harvest season in the country and the vacation season in the town. One part of our people are at work. Another part of them are dreaming or spooning, either along the beaches or in the apple orchards and country lanes-"The murmurous haunt of flies on Summer eves." Here is a line from Keats which, If you take in its subtle sense, will tell you why it is no time to talk the serious part of politics now. The town is in dreamland, the country is in workland; and yet if you suppose that either in town or country our young people are not thinking the same thoughts and whispering the same sentiments that were familiar of old, you will make a great mistake.

The Butte Miper, in an endeavor to make the Silver Republicans of Montana happy over the turn-down of Charles A. Towne at Kansas City, tells them that he "would, for instance, have more influence as a member on the floor of the House of Representatives than as presiding officer of the Senate," and that "from the standpoint of political usefulness he was fortunate in not being nominated." It says further:

Mr. Towne is a young man-exceedingly young to be Vice-President of the United States - and the position is one that would seem to hold little temptation to a person who has not pretty much rounded out his political

The attempt to pallinte the new De mocracy's bad faith with its "allies," on the ground that the Boy Orator of the Unsalted Seas is "too young" for the tail to the kite of the Boy Orator of the Platitudes, might be effective were it not for the fact that Towne is older than Bryan.

A boy of 8 years slipped from his perilous perch on a log boom of the Albina sawmili, Sunday afternoon, disappeared under the logs, and was course, could render no assistance. The story is an old one, though the date and name are new features. As long as boys of tender years are permitted to play on log booms and among wharf the right. piles, drownings will occasionally occur, and this will probably be as long as there are boys. The wonder is that such casualties are relatively so infreing reflection the fact that any one of is likely at any time to pay with his life the forfeit of an unlucky throw.

"The attempt of the Democratic platform to mislead thoughtful people by declaring that other issues will be made in the campaign more prominent than the 16-to-1 heresy, is too silly to accomplish much harm," says ex-Governor Thomas M. Waller, of New London, Conn. Lest there should be a doubt as mitteeman Miller's sliver-mounted gog-

We print today a very full report of Associated Press report was too meager speech. While dissenting from Roosevelt's view, as to "Imperialism," the World calls the speech a very able one. "A Vote-Getting Speech" is the headline of its editorial article.

The superintendent of the dairy department of the Oregon Agricultural College has arranged to make a tour of all the creameries in the state. He proposes to study their methods and environment, and give the results of his tour in the form of a bulletin, to be issued next Winter. It will doubtless prove to be a paper of practical assistance to the dairy interest.

"Is this to be a republic or an empire?" The question is dinned in our ears every day. There has been nothing of the same kind, or quite so impressive, since the old alarm, "Do you want your daughter to marry a nig-

The army worm has appeared in Northwestern Nebraska; and the Bryanites are renewing their outcry against "militarism."

"A vote for Bryan means the white feather and the white flag," remarks against the counterfeit-money craze. the Wallowa News, truthfully and epigrammatically,

A World War Possible.

Baltimore Sun. If Europe cannot settle the Chinese problem without war among the powers our civilization is but a sham and pretense, if the butchery at Pekin is as horrible as rumor represents it to be all the na-tions of the world should loyally and unselfishly co-operate to make such an atro-city impossible in the future. But in order to do this it will not be necessary to convert a crusade nominally in behalf of humanity into a sordid, land-grabbing marguding expedition. China should be assisted to establish order and to main-tain a government which will protect the lives of foreigners and give equal commercial opportunities to all the world. But if the powers attempt to dismember the empire—if each is animated by a cold. calculating, sordid spirit which seeks advantage at the expense of the other pow-

to see wherein our civilization is super to that of China. The Chinese are slaughtering foreigners because of racial, religious and political differences. If the "Christian nations" of Europe, in order to make the Chinaman behave himself, take his land from him, appropriate his property and then, after the theft is committed, go to war with each other because the division of stolen goods is not satisfactors. factory, they wil prove themselves no better than the Chinese. The cynic who said that all civilization is merely a veneer will then be fully vindicated, while the Chinaman who has surrounded him-self with a wall in order that he may exclude what he considers an inferior civ-lisation should not be censured too se-verely for his exclusiveness.

THIS IS VERY READABLE.

Due Recognition of the Man Wh Adores the Classics. New York Commercial Advertiser. Mr. Augustine Birrell, in the current number of the Corabill, has a word to

say about admiring by tradition. "If, after giving a classic a fair chance, you

really cannot abide him, or remain her-metically sealed against his charm, it is, perhaps, wisest to say nothing about it. though if you do pluck up heart of grace and hit him a rap over his classical costard it will not hurt him, and it may do you good," That advice is badly needed over here. There is a suspicious unanimity in what some of our writers say about a classic. If a classic were traveling incognito among us you may be sure he would have a different kind of reception in some quarters. It would be a huge coincidence if people felt for the classics that identical regard. They are under an odd sort of compulsion in the matter, and by nature are by no means so terribly alike. Nature never uses a mimeograph. When a dozen men express their appreciation of a great writer in exactly the same terms you may always the same terms of the same terms know that II of them are lying. A fine work of art never makes precisely the same impression on any two minds. The average appreciator of Shakespeare is monotonous because he is insincere of scared. There is something that with his knowing it always whips him into line. It is conventionality that has done for him. Any other view is implous, and flouts at the whole scheme of creation. Lurking under these liturgles there is often a fine and healthy hatred of the classics. Some of the Shakespearian scholars loathe the bard. If they would only out with it-"hit him a rap over his classical costard," as Mr. Birrell says. over For hatred can never hurt a classic, and the deadliest weapon used against him is the average guidebook to his charms. While the world has moved along, commentators seem to be about where were when Pope wrote that they left the sense their learning to display and some explained the meaning quite away. At least that type is still very common, as any one who reads Shakespearians, or recollects certain editions of his school Virgil, will testify. It is a pity some one ioes not collect instances. The parasitic literature that has grown up around Goethe must be a gold mine to a German scholar with a sense of humor. Some one cites the following from that source: The commentator was wrestling with Goethe's poem of Der Fischer. He was the kind of commentator who never gives a meaning up. The reference to the death glow of the fish (Todesgiuth) puzsied him, but he worked until he had made it out. Death glow, said he, was doubtless an allusion to the post mortem experience of the fish. The glow of the fish in the frying pan was what the poet meant. The investigator could not hope drowned. A little chap of about his to find many instances as good as this own age accompanied him, but, of in our literature. Our scholars live too much in the world. But there will be enough to make it worth his while.

We waste much fury on those who honesfly admire the wrong thing and are too easy on those who dishonestly right. "Far better," says Mr. Bir-"to admire Miss Gabble goose's novels than pretend to admire Miss Ausis a gentle plea for freedom and for not placing your mind on file. quent. "Boys must take their chances," we say, recognizing 'n this semi-consolof terrapin with plain boiled ham tastes. meanwhile what a life of it he has had, with that big burden of other people's tastes. If one may not take his ease with his book, where may he take it? A man like Mr. Birrell to preach the gospel of ease in literatary matters would

do a world of good over here. Stevenson and His History.

It is related that among the throng that hastened to the Nebraska capital to look to his attitude, he says further: "I was upon Mr. Stevenson when he went there a Democrat and a bolter in 1896, and as a few days ago to call on Bryan, was the situation has not changed, I am a Mr. E. M. Jenkins, a former member of Democrat and a bolter still." This is a the State Legislature. Mr. Jenkins exsample of Gold Democratic talk that plained his visit with the remark that seems to have escaped National Com- he had always wanted to see the man who had prosecuted his father for bringing a negro into the State of Illinois, and he then told this interesting story:

During the war Lieutenant Philip Jenkles the speech delivered last Tuesday at Woodford County man, was taken ill and had St. Paul by Governor Roosevelt. The Associated Press report was too meager of himself, and a young negro was sent along Associated Press report was too meager to attend to him. When he reached home a cortain element made a big fuss. They found Oregonian we reprint from the New a law on the state books making it a crime York World an estimate of this to bring a negro into the state, and under this statute they had Lieutenant Jenkins arrested. Adiai Stevenson was then practicing law in the county, and volunteered to prosecute the soldier. The trial came on and the jury disagreed. When the time came for the case to come up a second time Lieutenant Jenkins was back with his regiment fighting, and the Judge threw the case out of court. Stevenson was among the worst of the

old "copperheads."

Roosevelt's St. Paul Speech.

New York World, Dem., July 18. Governor Roosevelt's speech at St. Paul, published in the World this morning, will be a surprise even to his admirers. It is a model of self-restraint, of clear and forcible statement and, in part, of argument.

His dissection of Democratic weaknesses, National and local, is particularly adroit. And it is unanswerable. What can be said in defense of Croker and the Van Wycks as viewed in their doings at home and in Kansas City? What in defense of the fantastic and menacing 16 to 1 folly in the National platform? As to 1 foliy in the National platform? As for his remarks upon imperialism, every the gateway of Denver's City Park was wen by Democrat should read them with care. a 10-year-old boy of that city, Hart Wood, They present the other side-and there is another side, the side that will give thousands of voters who may not wholly assent to it ease of conscience in voting

Everything Upside Down in China.

St. Louis Republic. China is the land where everything is upside down. Thus in Canton the won act as sailors and boatmen, while the men are employed as chambermaids, laundresses and seamstresses. In salutation the Chinaman shakes his own hand in-stead of that of his visitor. As a mark of respect he puts his hat on instead of taking it off. Their signboards are per-pendicular instead of horizontal. In reading Chinese print it is necessary to begin the right-hand side at the bottom and read to the left and up.

The Philosophy of Perspiration. New York World.

"There are many troubles which you cannot cure by the Bible and the hymn book," said Henry Ward Beecher, "but which you can cure by a good perspira which you can cure by a good perspira-tion and a breath of fresh air."

There is a large paradox in the phil-osophy of perspiration. The hotter the healthy human body becomes the more vantage at the expense of the other pow-ers—the result may be a world war com-pared with which the massacre at Pekin would be a mere bagatelle. If the nations cannot solve the Chinese problem without cannot solve the Chinese problem without Many persons try to keep cool by

avoiding all unnecessary exercise and lounging in the shade. That is entirely unphilosophical. Perspiration, instead of being a symptom of suffering from the heat, is a sign of relief therefrom. And it may be accepted by all persons in normal health that moderate exercise, suffi-cient to induce a liberal moistening of the skin, is the best specific that can be prescribed for their daily use in hot weather. None suffer more torture on a sultry day then those who make it their special effort to avoid perspiring.

No United China.

Nineteenth Century Review. It is because there is no such thing as "China" that the military caste of the Manchus, comparatively infinitesimal in numbers, have been able to impose their rule upon the enormous masses in China. Thus it is unwise to predicate anything of China as a whole, or to believe that what suits one part will necessarily

suit another. Over the heterogeneous and conflicting masses of China there has never been any effective central control, and what control there has been has steadily grown weaker. The "vermillion pencil" makes a faint mark in the south, while in the southwest and extreme northwest it has little but an academic influence, and on the Thibetan borders none at all. spect this!" appended to every imperial rescript in the Pekin Gazette is as far from actuality as the "Oyez" of the usher with us, or the challenge of the Queen's champion at the coronation. There is, therefore, not the slightest possibility of the establishment by Chinese authority of a national army, or navy, or civil service. And the corruption which is the fatal curse of China is directly due to the fact that there is not and cannot be any central authority to exercise control over local officials, or, in the absence of this, to pay them. The Chinese people, in the language of physics, is a mechanical mix-ture, and not a chemical compound, and therefore it is irresponsive to the action of any single regent, and incapable of exhibiting any common property,

An Anchor to Windward. Providence Journal. Although Mr. Bryan's friends declare that the rumor of his interest in the Nebraska Senatorship is foolish so far as it indicates any intention on his part to enter the race for the position, there is no need to discredit it. He has been long enough in politics to know that the chances of his election to the Presidency are not of the best, and what is more natural than to cast an anchor to wind-ward? He is said to be keeping an eye ward? on the Legislative contests in Nebraska, and it is by no means impossible that we shall eventually see him occupying a seat on the floor of the Senate chamber at Washington. There would be little difficulty in "keeping his head above water" if he were a member of the upper house of Congress, and the next Presidential campaign might see him come up smiling as an aspirant for the chief magistracy a third time.

Retributive Justice

Chicago Evening Journal, Ind. The anti-imperialists who are organize ing a new party because they can't vote for Mr. McKinley and won't vote for Mr. Bryan, think of nominating Admiral Dewey for President.

Good idea. Admiral Dewey could say he knew more about this issue than any-body else, because he made it. If it hadn't been for him there would be no such thing sa imperialism or anti-im-Why not this ticket:

For President GEORGE DEWEY. W. R. SHAFTER. Platform: The hair of the dog will cure

Roosevelt's St. Paul Speech.

Brooklyn Eagle, Ind. Dem. Mr. Roosevelt's speech at St. Paul was a very able one. It will be found on the seventh page of today's Eagle and it should be read by every voter, especially by those who think of supporting Mr. Mr. Roosevelt's consideration of public always shown in what he has said. his capacity will not be estimated aright until this very able speech is carefully

To Sell Goods.

studied.

San Francisco Chronicle Whatever settlement may ultimately be made it must never be forgotten that if the West had let China alone China would never have molested the West. The trouble has grown out of forcing "treaties" at the point of the bayonet upon an unwilling people. The object of the whole business has been to sell goods. The pretense of any other motive is utter hum-

Philadelphia Press The Ninth Infantry has repeated at Tien Tsin the valor it showed at Chapultepec and San Juan Hill. No man fell in its ranks, from Colonel Liscum down, but was doing his share to advance civilization, to avenge the defenseless and trearms either to teach the world that the flag and its Indianapolis Press. troops are never far distant when savage massacre sweeps away American citizens.

MEN AND WOMEN.

The King of Portugal will soon go to England m a brief visit to the Queen. His grandfather the King Consort Ferdinand) was a first cousin of the Queen and of Prince Albert. According to London Truth, Count Laddorf, who is spoken of as successor to Count Mouravieff of Russia, never goes into society, and hardly has any friends. He lives in apart-ments at the Russian Foreign Office.

Sir J. Gordon Sprigg, the new Premier and Treasurer of Cape Town, was born at Ips-wich, England, and is the son of a Baptist minister. As in the case of Cecil Rhodes, iii health was the original cause of his going to South Africa, in 1858.

It is proposed to erect a monument in Simonstown, South Africa, in memory of Miss Mary Kingsley, who died of fever white en-gaged in nursing floer prisoners. The Dutch residents at the Cape are subscribing to the fund which is being raised.

The Rajah of Kauprthala, the Sikh chief wh is about to revisit London, is very popula with Englishmen. He is an athlete and a warrior, and his territory in the Punjab brings Lived in Virginia long before him £10,000 n year. His house stood true to the Queen during the mutiny.

He fought the aborigines

from a dozen well-known architects of long experience and training, though young Wood has been studying only a year and a half. At her own request made before death tuneral services over the body of Mrs. John D. Haskell were held under the trees in the sechard at the home place to Abilene, Kan.

There she had played with her children, she said, and from there she wished to be carrried The Macedonian Cry From the Coast.

Shoreward from the sapphire sea, With their gleaming hues cajoling Mortals where we cannot be: While our Summer hurness cumbers

Us and keeps us in a stew, Do not ask in mournful numb "Is it hot enough for you?" For examples are abundant Men were killed for less than that, Cease from verblage so redundant, Hold no converse through your hat. Fresh the breeze that charms your outing, Yet no breezes ever blow Half so fresh as you when shouting "Is it hot enough for you?"

Happy clams at high tide? rare rot! When your grip's packed for the coast Cursing like a sallor's parrot Wretched clams prepare to roast. We abandoned in this burg'll Make it warm for you chaps, too, When you shout where rickers gurgle, "Is it hot enough for you!"

NOTE AND COMMENT.

When in doubt, discredit the news from

If you see it in the dispatches from

China, it isn't so. Governor Roosevelt is perfectly willing

that the Democrats make expansion the paramount thue. Why not send Sampson and Schley over

to China and see once and for all which

is the better man? Senator Jones will probably have hard work this Summer keeping "Cyclone"

Davis out of doubtful states. Webster Davis told some pretty tall

war stories, but he is not in it with the Chinese Superintendent of Telegraphs. The Hon. W. S. Taylor disapproves of

the Kentucky system of government without the consent of the Governor. The Republicans believe in expansion, and the result of the November election

will show that the policy has been employed in expanding the party. It may be just as well to remind Mr. Bryan that the Hawaiian delegate cast

the vote that decided the 16-to-1 plank, Where would 16 to 1 be if it were not for expansion?

You see him strolling on the beach Behind a long cigar, He giances down at you until You wonder who you are; He's clad in patent leather skates, And wears a Roosevelt lid, Beneath a rainbow colored vest His manly breast is hid. The Summer girls troop in his wake A half a hundred strong;
You hear them say, "Oh, ain't he sweet?" Whene'er he walks along. There's always something doing when He hits the shining sand, And stalks along beneath the sun, Intent on getting tanned. There's picnic parties overy day, They never leave him out, And when the girls get up a hop He's sure to be about. You wonder if his father is A bloated millionaire, Or whether he just came from Nome And made a sack up there; You think perhaps his uncle died And left him scads of dough; You hear that he's a Vandergould,

And wonder if it's so.

And when you journey back to town His status there you seek,

And learn that he's an office boy

And draws down five a week. The news arriving from Nome is of a character to indicate that the result is to be much the same as that in a number of mining excitements in the North, and the return of ragged, half-starved and "dead-broke" gold-seekers in thousands may be looked for about the time the short "Summer" season at Nome draws to an end. Many argonauts will never return, and many who succeed in getting back will be ruined in health as well as in pocket. Old residents of this Coast can remember a number of such disastrous rushes. The Frazer River excitement, which commenced in 1858, was one of the greatest and most disastrous, and extended its sufferings and losses over some three or four years. Since that time there have been rushes to the Skeena River and Stickeen and the Kootenai, Smelkameen and Peace Rivers, all of which proved disastrous to the great majority of "excursionists." Klondike was not so bad as some of the others, but Nome, the latest and farthest north of all, is likely to turn out as bad as the worst of them. There are many mennow residents of Portland and vicinity who remember all the above-mentioned "excitements," and some who took part Bryan and the Democratic platform in this campaign. A National responsibility has broadened, sobered and strengthened naked. These persons are not joining in naked. These persons are not joining in mining rushes now. They are too old for which answers for all other reasons,

> PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHERS Grounded-"Lightning rods seem to be out of date." "Yes, the business was run into the ground long ago."—Philadelphia Evening Bui-

No Doubt of It.—Teacher—In the sentence, 'Patrick beat John with his fists," what is Patrick? Bright Boy-He's Irish.-Philadelphia

She-I read that book going over last year, but I remember almost nothing about it. He —Well, one retains so little on steamers.— Harper's Bazar.

Nations and Individuals.-The call of exalted duty holds a relation to National affairs analogous to that held by the earnest solicitations of his many friends to the affairs of the individual.—Detroit Journal.

"There ought to be a law sgainst seiling guns to berbarians," said the earnest boarder, "There is," said the Savage Bachelor. "It is a violation of the law in this country to sell rearms either to Indians or small boys,"-The Tenth Muse .- "Who is this person?"

asked one of the tuneful nine. "She claims to be a relative of ours, but I don't know her." "Poor thing." said the sister Muss. "She's suffering from a hallucination. She presides over magazine poetry and she thinks she's a Muse!"-Puck. One of the First,-"Yes, he is one of our first citizens." "He doesn't look it. I should judge from his appearance that he is a very ordinary person." "He is, so far as that's concerned, but his name is Abner Aarons, and

it's mighty seidom that anybody comes before him in the directory."—Chicago Times-Herthoughtfully, "that vituperative critic said I vas liable to be a politician out of a job!

"That was his remark. You see, he was a little angry, and-" "Oh, there is no occasion to apologiss. I kind of like it. You see, I have been accused of being in so many jobs that it's a relief to be mentioned as being out of one."-Washington Star.

Smith and Pocahontas John Smith, a fighter to the core, Of wondrous pith and power,

"First Families" were in flower. He fought the aborigines With Euritanic arder, And killed 'em with so much of case He only fought the harder.

At last the Captain came to grief, And hope looked very thin for For he was captured by a chief Who had it strictly in for him.

Said this old chieftain, Powbatan, 'I'll pluck your lights and liver And gouge your eyes out, haughty man! And fling you in the river." So he proceeded thus to do,

And wreak his ruthless slaughter, When in between the warring two There rushed the chieftain's daughter,

"Let up!" she shricked at Powhatan, Should bloody murder vaunt us? This is a very lovely man!" Cried dusky Porahoutas.

"He shall be mine!" the maiden cried-'One hair you shall not bother!' ad threw herself at Smithie's side, Defying thus her father.

"Oh, very well," said Powhstan, "Since you admire the villain.
Pil spare this wicked Englishman, Though he deserves a killin'."

So Smithie saved his precious head, And 'mid delight and laughter He and the injun girl were wed, and happy lived thereafter.

Now all the Smiths-Dick, Harry, To With eager rapture want us To think they are descended from

The lovely Pocohontas. -St. Louis Post-Dispatch.