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TODAY'S WEATHER - Fair; northwest breeze.

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THE DANGER OF WEALTH.

"Great wealth" is not a danger that threatens Oregon, or any other Pacific state...

Besides, if there were more wealth, think of the enlarged field of taxation. Think of the increased revenue.

We are going to have before us very soon two plans of settling this thing in practical operation. Porto Rico will have the gold standard, law and order...

HOME BETTER THAN NONE.

This year ought to mark the end of the old mining excitement in the Pacific Northwest...

NO VIRTUE EXTANT.

There is no telling what good man who is howling against trusts has a trust of his own, or a share in one.

Chairman Jones expects the National gathering of Democratic clubs to be "immensely influential in the cause of good government."

to fuller explanation in this case, owing to the circumstance that heretofore no proposal looking in the direction of good government has ever been identified either with Jones or with clubs of the Bryanite Democracy.

TRULY AN EXEMPLARY MODEL.

Governmental existence in Central and South American republics, so-called, is a precarious and unsuccessful affair.

A PIONEER CIVIL SERVICE REFORMER.

Among recent deaths is that of Ex-Governor J. D. Cox, of Ohio. He was born in Canada of American parents in 1828.

General Joe Wheeler says at Chicago that he is now a great world power. Likely he says it just to make the Aunties jump.

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supplies, and to the majority of cases it is only a matter of a few hours. Quartz is universally regarded as the special undertaking of capital. Your prospector, particularly the one susceptible to the influence of a stampede, says airily that quartz development is not the poor man's task, but he swallows without a wink stories of marvellous finds in a remote country, and away he goes to gather his share of the treasure.

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them will vote for Bryan on the "militarism" issue. That is their affair, and it is only to be hoped they will do as their consciences dictate. As for desperate efforts of the Democrats to capture the German vote, the Republicans are making efforts just as desperate and just as unscrupulous. It is an unseemly scramble, as senseless as the scramble in which the Oregonian would fain have a part.

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it all turned out, though the Democrats seem to have utterly forgotten the heavy penalty which their party paid for sympathizing with disunion. The Filipinos, who are still fighting are insurgents, pure and simple. If they are depending on aid and comfort from the United States they are leaning on a staff of straw. The only ground on which the rebels of Confederate States trusted in 1864.

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available for military duty. But when there is no such special demand for men some outlet will have to be found for the surplus population of Japan. That is one reason why the Japanese Government is so anxious to get Korea. The island empire is overcrowded with people. If they cannot come to America they must settle in Asia or the islands of the Pacific.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

War may come and war may go, but the correspondent lies on forever. What a pity we can't put this weather in storage and sell it to Chicago, New York, or St. Louis.

THE CHINESE EMPEROR MUST BE SPENDING MOST OF HIS TIME THESE DAYS SIGNING BLACK EDICTS.

The tax roll furnishes a case of half and half in which Alexander Porter and Adam Beer are joint owners of a lot.

IF BRYAN COULD CHANGE HIS SPEECH AS OFTEN AS HE CHANGES HIS MIND HE WOULD SET MORE OF A REPUTATION FOR ORIGINALITY.

The Democrats have not passed in their mad applause of Thomas Brackett Reed to notice that he has not made any Bryan speeches.

THIS FAR NONE OF THE INNOCENT BYSTANDERS AT THE POWERS TRIAL HAVE BEEN CONVICTED, BUT THEY WERE TAKING LONG CHANCES.

Emperor William says that the arm of the Kaiser reaches to the remotest parts of the world. He might have said the same of his mouth.

Li Hung Chang says he has "not a little list of political offenders who never will be missed, and the sooner he makes it still more little the better it will be for him."

Two thousand pianos have been sold in Kansas this year, and it is safe to say that none of them will be used to accompany singers of Democratic campaign songs.

Pitchfork Tillman describes himself as a statesman. In doing so he betrays great originality, as no one else would ever have thought of describing him that way.

Archbishop Corrigan, of New York City, was the guest of a garden party recently given by Queen Victoria. The invitation came to him through the courtesy and interest which our Ambassador to the Court of St. James has shown toward the archbishop. Mr. Choate was delighted to suggest that the Archbishop be among the invited guests.

The commission headed by Judge Tarr, it is announced, has organized a civil government for the Philippines, to go into operation on the 1st of September. The commission will be the Legislature of the islands, and it must also be the executive and the judiciary. It will appoint Judges, but they will necessarily be subordinate to the commission, and will be removable at its pleasure. The laws which it ordains will be enforced by our troops.

Mrs. Frances Meyer, of Illinois, has some comprehensive political views. She wants to run for Governor, and she says: "I belong to no party, yet in me and my principles are centered all the best elements of the five great parties in our country. I would be an independent Governor, but by principle I am a Republican and Democrat of the highest grade."

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SINGULAR HISTORY OF A WORD.

The word "soldier" has an interesting history. "Shilling" in Low Latin, is "soldus," whence comes "soldum," the money which soldiers were paid. "Soldum" is a "soldier." In Wickliffe's New Testament (Luke III, 14), John the Baptist bids the soldiers to "be afraid with your swords."

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