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TODAY'S WEATHER.—Fair and warm; north winds.

PORTLAND, THURSDAY, AUGUST 23.

IGNORANTLY DISHONEST.

In his efforts to elect Bryan and Stevenson, Mr. Hanna is going to great lengths. A few such speeches as that one at Asbury Park will do the business.

Mr. Hanna is a greatly abused man. He is not at all the heavy villain many suppose him, nor the brutal and mercenary wretch that sits for Homer Davenport's cartoons. He has an honest, kindly face, and a sincere, generous air.

Only on such hypotheses can the Asbury Park speech be explained. It discovers a very credulous order of intellect, a fat-witted statesmanship. What Mr. Hanna is doing in this formal "opening of the campaign," as successfully as if he set about it with deliberation is to be a Gold Democrat to Bryan.

conduct the campaign on these lines, he will be the most effective orator Bryan will have in the field.

"NO INDIGNITIES," FORSPOKE! The United States will endeavor to maintain its self-respect and take no share in unbecoming vengeance upon Chinese rulers or in partition of the empire.

We hear a great deal about the rights of China and our duty toward China. As a strong power and a Christian Nation (Gossett speaking), we are under high obligation to bear in mind and advance as we can the welfare of the Chinese people.

When Mr. Coler was elected to the Controller's office, he was comparatively unknown. But the man of both brains and honest purpose is not likely to remain long in important place in New York City without having prominence thrust upon him.

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The pretext of the English war on China in 1857 was the incident of the Arrow, a lorcha, which, while flying the British flag, was seized by a war junk on the plea that her crew were breaking some Chinese law.

GERMAN RESPONSIBILITY IN CHINA. The National Review, a mouthpiece of the Salisbury Cabinet, declares that the development of Japan, which it says is the England of the Far East.

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will be exposed and retired. In that day the Southern Pacific and similarly situated roads will not have so many creatures in official life. Then, and probably not till then, will the canal be built.

It is refreshing to find a temperance advocate talking sense in the way that Francis Murphy talks it when he says that the powerful sobering agencies of modern civilization lie in the inexorable demands of business life.

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NOTE AND COMMENT. The Census Bureau has not yet decided to close Portland's scow dwellers among the city's floating population.

ON POOR AND hapless census man. Throughout this week, while the enumerators are all at the doors, you've had to beat the band.

WESTWARD THE STAR OF EMPIRE continues to wheel its course, and is now on its second "lap." The saying, "Go West, young man, go West," after halting on the Pacific Coast for some time has gone across the Pacific and has been changed to "Go West, old woman, go West," and in obedience to it the Empress Dowager of China is going west in search of a new capital.

BILL TOMPKINS, on a Summer's day. Raked the meadows sweet with hay, He lean but manly form was clad.

IT HAS BEEN OBSERVED THAT old men like to make themselves older than they really are. A man who has reached the 75 mark will stretch it to 90 years if he can, and a man who has passed 90 soon gets to 100 or 100 years old, if given half a chance.

According to the system known as that of "standard time," by which all railroad schedules and all local time usually is regulated, the United States is divided into four geographical divisions or sections.

PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHS. In Idaho—She-I think, if I ever killed a man, his face would haunt me as long as I lived. He'd tell me he'd done it. He'd tell me his hands were so numb that he couldn't hold a gun.

ALL FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT. Every expression of our indignation concerning the Philippines has provided, and its conduct toward them has demonstrated throughout, that its single purpose is to extend to those islands a full measure of self-government.

IT IS REMEMBERED. We cannot forget, the issues of 1896 are the issues of 1900, differing only in the fact that other evils were added for the present, the general principle being the same.

CONCERNING WALTERS'S COMMAND. UNCLE SAM TO KAISER WILLIAM. Your majesty, herewith command that you be in Philadelphia, Pa., on the 25th inst. with your highness in command.

UNCLE SAM TO HIS OWN PEOPLE. My friends and fellow citizens, I've just said word to Bill. That Walter was an Allied King. Will suit us to suit.

HE'S IN SUPREMACY COMMAND. He'll have command of all our troops. But all the others, too. And all the allies must obey.