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TODAY'S WEATHER.—Fair, warmer; northerly winds.

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SIMILITUDE, BUT A DIFFERENCE.

Gold Democrats in numbers are returning to the party that they left in 1896. This does not apply to Democratic business men, for there is absolutely no reason why a business man should vote for Bryan this year.

Now the tyranny of party organization is such that these men have found little or no place for them in the Republican machine. Republican wheel-horses are not disposed to make way for them.

It is so happens that this is a political phenomenon with two opposing aspects. Gold Democrats are going for Bryan, but they may as well remember that Silver Republicans are going for McKinley.

These considerations are pertinent to the Democratic argument drawn from the fact that in Maine the Democratic vote of 24,000 in 1896 has risen to 40,000 in 1900. Grant that 6000 Gold Democrats of Maine have returned to their party.

The Oregonian wishes to be fair, especially to the Gold Democrats of Oregon who carried the state for the gold standard in 1896, and many of whom will hold to carry it for the gold standard in 1900.

Probably the invitation to anti to answer Judge Pipes' letter on "Comment of the governed" did not carry with it an obligation to print any reply that might be devised.

lands, when the fact is that the insurrection of 1896 had come to an end, Aguinaldo had gone away, and the insurgent army was not recruited till long after the contention made by Mr. Nicholas is that the agitation claim for independence is justified on the same ground held against King George by the colonists.

ORGANIZED LABOR. The dramatic episode at the Mariké collieries at Jeddo, Pa., brings before the country in clear and painful light the fundamental antagonism that underlies all conflicts between organized labor and organized capital.

Apparently this was fair enough, but it didn't satisfy the men. There was one thing lacking. There is just one technicality which Mr. Markie draws the line and upon which the miners insist. He will treat with the men, but he won't treat with the United Mineworkers' officials.

It has been a matter of principle with countless employers, for which they have almost suffered martyrdom, that no union and no labor agitator should dictate to them how they should run their business. And it has been a matter of principle with labor organizations, for which they have quite suffered martyrdom, that capital shall not organize their unions or it shall die in its tracks.

It is a fact that ought at least to have permeated a portion of the world of employers, that there are very few fixed principles that can be pursued in practice without deviation. A man thinks he should be able to run his business in his own way.

It is obvious that the recognition of unions by employers is determinable by the persistence and cohesion of organized labor in demanding it. A man may feel convinced that unionism is wrong and that he makes a mistake to treat with union officials.

Theoretically, the purpose of the treaty is to be highly objectionable. In reality it seeks nothing short of a monopoly in its line of business. It hopes to see the day when the employer, looking for printers or cigar-makers, can go nowhere else for laborers but to itself.

GRANT AND MCCLERNAND. The death of the venerable Major-General John A. McClernand in his 89th year recalls the fact that as commander of the Thirtieth Army Corps on Grant's Vicksburg campaign General McClernand went out of his way to cross General Grant and make himself antagonistic to him at every opportunity.

It begins to look as if the acts of organized labor and the acts of organized capital will have to be judged by the nature of the acts, and not the mere fact of organization. Let us see what the trust or the union does, before we hold to carry it for the gold standard.

see its little ones starve to death before his eyes. The remedy seems to lie in a public sentiment that can require justice from each contestant, from capital and labor, and from capital business prudence.

THE "BORN-SHORT." Dr. G. M. Griffin, instructor of mathematics in the Chicago Normal School, has been doing some work incidental to his last address before leaving for his home in the Middle West was delivered before the Teachers' Institute at Helena, a few evenings ago, the subject being "The Ugly Element," which he designates further as "The Dull, the Slow, and the Born-Short."

The noblest philanthropy is that which has taken up the cause of children of this class, and by patient endeavor has led them tenderly but firmly up to higher levels of consciousness and right and made possible to them the fruits of endeavor. There is no state in our great commonwealth so poor in this type of philanthropy as not to have made provision for the care and development according to the largest possibilities of their condition of children who are born short in the sense of physical defect.

Take, for example, the case of the youthful parricide now in jail at Penitentiary. Here is a boy of but 13 years, innocent in appearance, frank, open countenance and ordinary intelligence, yet utterly unable to comprehend the enormity of the act of creeping upon and killing his sleeping father in retaliation for a severe punishment that he had inflicted upon him for a trifling offense.

John Wilson, borne to his grave a few days ago, full of years, and leaving a legacy of uprightness of character to the community of which he was long an energetic, honorable factor, has added to his legacy a bequest that will leave an impress for the highest good upon future generations. A book-lover in the best sense, he collected books about him as his friends, made studious use of them, and loved them.

Conditions at Cape Nome are steadily improving. The large surplus of men is being slaughtered, typhoid fever has practically disappeared, typhoid fever has yielded to a plentiful and pure water supply, and things generally are assuming the normal conditions of a fairly prosperous mining camp, capable of supporting from 6000 to 8000 people.

The list of storm victims in Texas grows and grows. The world was shocked on the day after the disaster was wrought by the wind and waves to learn that the dead would number 1000, and took refuge in the hope that the report was exaggerated by horror.

Russian diplomacy is doing very well. It has broken the international concert in two places already, and seems about to secure a third disruption in the independent action of the United States.

Still Grant said nothing until General Sherman sent him a slip cut from an Illinois newspaper purporting to be the official report of the Thirtieth Army Corps before Vicksburg. This report severely criticized Generals Sherman and McPherson as responsible for the failure of the second assault on Vicksburg, May 20, 1863.

BRYAN REJECTED IN NEW YORK. Silver ignored and an Expansionist Put up for Governor. Chicago Evening Post. The platform of the New York Democrats is silent on the question of expansion and containing no reference to the reaffirmed silver plank of 1896, "recognizing the truth of the Kansas City declaration that the 'burning issue of imperialism is the surrender of the Philippines, and the destruction of our free institutions.'"

In point of fact the platform does not mention the surrender of the Philippines. It merely affirms the doctrine of the automatic extension of the Constitution, and demands that "every part of our possessions shall be governed according to American principles and under American principles." This implies that the New York Democrats, or those of them who have taken the trouble to study the platform, would not object to the retention of the Philippines.

Now this is radically different from Bryan's Philippine policy. Is the divergence so radical? No, it is not. It is so because and due to the fact that John B. Stanchfield, the nominee for Governor, is an avowed expansionist or "imperialist." A New York dispatch in February, 1896, at a dinner of the American College Alumni Association. They were in part as follows: "I am just enough of a Republican, let me say, to advocate the annexation of the United States until all the fruits of its efforts are tied to us with a bond of the strongest iron."

Byran a Party to Imperialism. If there is imperialism in the Philippine policy of the Government, Mr. Bryan is very clearly a party to it, for he has admitted that the treaty was imperialistic, and yet he has not repudiated it. In his speech at Indianapolis, he said: "When the war was over and the Republican leaders began to evert the propriety of a colonial policy, opposition once manifested itself."

Is Politics Behind It? Washington Star. The responsibility for this condition rests primarily upon the agitators who have fomented the strike sentiment and repression under Mr. Bryan's own eyes in Kentucky. But it is imperialism and repression for his political benefit.

THE LESSON OF THE LUNON WAR. The following correspondence has been given out by the War Department in Washington: "Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 28. 'General H. C. Corbin, Adjutant-General, Washington, D. C.: 'My beloved son, Captain Frank F. Creeshaw, reached Atlanta on the 23d instant, and having been operated on for a wound received in battle in Batangas Province, Philippine Islands, on June 5 last, he leaves a young wife and four little children behind."

THE FARMER. Washington Star. I'm the happy farmer. I'm in my highest gear; Every man makes a speech. I'm talking straight to me; With his resolute money."

as a Second Lieutenant in the Third United States Volunteer Infantry on June 1, 1888, and was promoted to be First Lieutenant on September 23, 1888. He served with his regiment until May 8, 1899, when he was honorably discharged. He was appointed a Captain in the Twenty-eighth United States Volunteers and went with his regiment to the Philippine Islands, where he served with Mr. Bryan's command in the battle at Batangas and returned to the United States on sick leave.

OREGON'S VOTE IN JUNE. For general information The Oregonian herewith prints the official figures for Supreme Judge and Congressmen in the Oregon June election, 1900.

Supreme Judge. Wulverton, Greene, Bright, Jackson, Dem. Pro. Rep. Benton... 306 762 88 Clackamas... 1,641 1,144 124

Congressman, First District. Tongue, Daly, Elmore, Sears, Rep. Pro. Pop. Benton... 1,465 1,492 149 Clackamas... 1,558 1,492 150

Calls Bryan a Freak. Cincinnati Commercial Tribune. Every utterance of Mr. Bryan since his nomination proves his conspicuous unfitness for the National Chief Magistracy.

PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHS. "Here, waiter, you have charged for three soups instead of two." "Yes, sir, there is the one I filled on madame's dress."—Journal Anon.

SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY. Washington Star. I'm feeling all a-tremble! I'm feeling all a-tremble! I'm convinced that all my efforts are in vain. My brain is growing torrid; There are wrinkles on my forehead, And I don't think and think with might and main.

NOTE AND COMMENT. Kwang Hsu will go down to history as the Chinese Charley Ross. "We have only the calendar's word to convince us that this isn't April."

It is time some one said to the rising generation of newspaper humorists: "Let the dead past bury its jokes." Sir Thomas Lipton has sent \$500 for the Galveston sufferers. He is the kind of an American that we need.

Perhaps Teddy owes a great deal to the fact that he used to be a crack baseball player. He seems to be able to make a hit wherever he goes. Fraulein Baffetta, of Vienna, who recently arrived at Paris on the way to Calais, intends to swim across the channel to Dover as soon as there may be favorable weather.

An Illinois paper contains the following comprehensive "ad": "I take great pleasure in announcing to the people of Wellington and the surrounding country that I have purchased the J. N. Barritt stock of furniture and will not only enlarge the stock but will put in a full line of upholstered goods. I have received and underfoot and will attend calls night and day. Will furnish a funeral car when desired. I also do all kinds of repairing and make screens. I am also an attorney and notary public and will give legal advice and draw legal papers of all kinds. Farm loans a specialty. I solicit a share of your patronage and invite you to call and get acquainted. Robert Mell, Wellington, Ill."

Among recent deaths is that of Colonel Innis N. Palmer, retired, one of the few surviving officers who served in the Mexican War. He was graduated from West Point in 1846, and was appointed a Brevet Second Lieutenant in the Mounted Rifles. He was commended for gallant and meritorious services at Comancas and Chertney. He was given the rank by brevet of First Lieutenant for his services in those battles, as well as the brevet of Captain for gallantry at Chapultepec. He commanded a brigade at the battle of Fair Oaks, Va., May 31, 1862, when Joe Johnston pounded to a pulp Casey and Couch's divisions of Key's corps of the Army of the Potomac.

Why Do They Hope? The Charlotte (N. C.) Observer (Dem.), which refuses to support Bryan and Stevenson, although given the rank by brevet of friend of the editor, puts a poser to those Democrats who are hoping and expecting ex-President Cleveland to declare in favor of the Democratic Presidential ticket. It says: "If old man Cleveland is all that they have said he was, why are Mr. Bryan's supporters breathlessly hoping that he will announce himself for the Nebraska?" If he was a traitor to his party one time, how can he be trusted inside the breasted work now? There is no evidence that he has reformed, except that he is expected to vote for the Democratic nominee.

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