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TODAY'S WEATHER.—Occasional rain; warmer; brisk to high southerly winds.

PORTLAND, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25

PRESIDENT MELLER'S LATEST.

Every time President Mellen, of the Northern Pacific, comes to town he does Portland a good turn by saying something.

Facts and figures do not justify all this talk about property. The farmer does not get his share of the profits. There is a decline in the number of farm owners.

If a laboring man works for a corporation and gets the money that ought to go to pay wages will be taken from stock, in order to pay dividends on watered stock, that represents no money invested.

The Democratic party today is made up from the ranks of the poor, and not from society people. The poor man is in the party when he wants a change in life.

One way and another, the Northern Pacific has been to no little pains in recent months to establish itself in favor of this city.

At Frederick he said: "If elected, I will put on the same kind of striped clothes on a big shirt that are put on a little one."

There is a question of whether it is better to load to better advantage at Astoria than at Portland was the subject of discussion and experiment.

THE LAW OF PREVENTION STANDS HELPLESS before a crime like that committed at Jefferson, Marion County, Tuesday morning.

The closing demonstration of the campaign will be made in New York City on the evening of November 8.

THE MAN IN THE STREET. The Man in the Street wanted to hear Mr. Bryan at Madison-Square Garden on Tuesday night.

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WRONGLY ATTRIBUTED TO LINCOLN

PORTLAND, Oct. 24.—(To the Editor.) I quoted Lincoln on the dangers of plutocracy from a compilation of Lincoln's speeches, etc., which gives Shibley's book, page 23, as the authority.

There is one point with its connections not so hackneyed as most others which I ask brief attention. It is the effort to place capital on an equality with not above labor in the structure of government.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

Delightful January weather, this. The Democrats snatched defeat out of the coimainers' victory.

The weather seems to be reflecting the spirits of the Democrats. Roosevelt's speeches far surpassed Bryan's, not only in quality but in quantity.

The Bryan celebration has already been held in New York. The McKinley celebration will be held after election.

Now General Buller is attacked by critics, and he wishes he were again in the hands of the Boers.

The Democrats' love for the workingmen is amply demonstrated by the singular fondness they have evinced for the full dinner pail.

In Norway before a girl is married she must have a state certificate that she can cook. The question, "Is marriage a failure?" is never asked in Norway.

Galveston is here again, thanks to the fate that sent her disaster in a Republican Administration. Had the storm happened in 1886 the city would never have recovered.

Bryan accuses Senator Dewey of being able to fill his own dinner pail. He might also accuse Mr. Croker of having like ability in addition to a 8000 ball turdier to carry the dinner pail around for him.

An enterprising merchant at an English seashore resort, having noticed the eagerness with which people at the shore pick up shells, secured a wagonload of mussel shells and had his advertisement printed on each one.

The chairman of a certain Scottish school board is said to have addressed the following remonstrance to the chairman of another: "Why did you give that teacher you sent us so good a character? Why, the fellow is perfectly useless!"

J. E. C. Bodley, the well-known author of the clever old exhaustive book on France, lately published, was distinguished in London society as a sayer of witty things, reports Justice McCarthy. At a luncheon party one day a woman was describing a visit she had paid to the house of a then famous aesthete.

A well-known business man, who is afflicted with the unfortunate and too painfully common delusion that he possesses unusual literary attainments, especially in the line of poetry, is an inveterate smoker, relates the Detroit Free Press.

Chicago Special Dispatch. General Daniel Sickles arrived in Chicago this morning and gave a choice interview. "What will carry New York State?" he said, "by almost as large a majority as we got in 1896. All the Republicans need to do is keep old Croker blowing. It would be an excellent investment for Senator Hoar to pay him \$500 a day from now until election day to keep up his blowing. Every time Croker claims New York City by 100,000 it serves to arouse the honest, decent citizen."

PLEASENTRIES OF PARAGRAPHERS. A Bad-Letter Day.—The Stranger—How long have you been civilized? The Native—Ever since my home was burned to the ground and my wife and children—Life.

It is Ironical, Indeed. Kansas City Star, Ind. Dem. Nothing much more ironical has ever been witnessed in the history of American politics.