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TODAY'S WEATHER—Partly cloudy, with variable winds.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER—Maximum temperature, 46; minimum temperature, 26; precipitation, none.

PORTLAND, SATURDAY, DEC. 28.

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had not dispraised Commodore Schley, but had denounced Major-General Shafter as an incompetent commander, whose attack on Santiago would have ended in an inglorious retreat had it not been for the desperate courage and energy with which his subordinates, including Colonel Roosevelt, charged and captured the enemy's position.

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SHAW'S CURRENCY VIEWS. Welcome the coming, speed the parting! And now what the country wants to know of Mr. Shaw is how he is likely to regard the various financial proposals before the country.

BLOOD AND IRON. Theories of government are severely tested by experience. In neither Great Britain nor the United States is there so much "humanitarianism" in practice as there was in theory forty years ago.

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AMUSEMENTS. "Fogg's Ferry," which has been going the rounds of theaters East and West since Joe Jefferson was a mewling infant, arrived at the Marquam last night with Miss Anna Pomeroy, who has been famous by Minnie Maddern, Lizzy Evans, and other actresses, and played an average audience.

Attractions at All the Local Theaters. "Fogg's Ferry" will be the matinee attraction at the Marquam this afternoon, Tuesday and Wednesday, at 2 o'clock.

Harry Beresford in "The Wrong Mr. Wright." Roland Reed's "The Wrong Mr. Wright" will be given at Corday's Theater next week, beginning Sunday night, with a company said to be far better than the ordinary road company.

Sale of Seats for De Anzels. There is a big sale of seats for Jefferson De Anzels and his company in "A Royal Roga," which will be given at the Marquam Grand Theater next Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday matinee and night.

"Literary Fellers" at White House. The old resident of Washington has been remarking a certain change in the character of what may be called the literary guests at the White House.

Reviser, Spare That Hymn! The Watchman. The reported revision of Hymnal collections have left out of their collection so many standard hymns, endeared to Christian hearts because of genuine merit and precious association.

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NOTE AND COMMENT. Most of us have now about recovered. The year seems to be fairly lively for its age.

The days get longer after Christmas. Also the pocketbooks. Ben Franklin was the original wireless telegrapher. He used a kite string.

The only way for Maclay to get even is to put Roosevelt into a historical novel. The Schley controversy promises to be closed speedily—like the war in the Transvaal.

We haven't seen a poem on the Oregon grape for a long time. Can't somebody send one in?

Isn't it about time for some wild-eyed Poindexter to point to copper as just the metal for standard money?

The passing of Maclay demonstrates the fallacy of the maxim, "He sure you are wrong, and then go ahead."

The frames of the bill to increase the number of league holidays seems to think that football players never get tired.

Andrew Carnegie has given away \$2,000,000. Which is almost enough money to capitalize one of J. P. Morgan's trusts.

A seat on the New York Stock Exchange has just sold for \$50,000. The buyer could have dropped the money just as quickly through a broker.

They send out food casualties from Kentucky in bunches. Only legal hangings are considered worthy of special mention by the correspondents in that state.

Depew will be married three times before he considers his long bachelorhood at an end. The question now arises, Will it require three divorces to untie him, should he find marriage a failure?

The lady who sends us the poem beginning, "This is the forest primeval, the murmuring pines and the hemlocks"—will have to try it again. It is too long, and it sounds like something we have heard before.

Having got a rise out of Thomas C. Platt in the shape of a threatened suit for libel, William Allen White is now going to say things about Tillman. We suppose he has purchased a suit of pitchfork-proof mail.

Good-bye, Maclay, just like away. Back to some place where you can't trace the rear. Most cheer, get clear, and be a good fellow. We're glad to say you've had your say. Your history will be missed. No more news on your trail. Therefore, adieu. Lay by. Don't be. Be my man. You might as well say, "Good-bye." Break rock or do something good. Hard work. You could get it. You're strong. They say. So long. Maclay.

The Philippine Precedent. New York Herald. What chance is there that the high protectionism in Congress will heed the appeal for reduction of the duty on Cuban sugar and tobacco, when it imposes a practically prohibitive duty upon similar products from the Philippines?

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