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THE PRIMARY ELECTION MOVEMENT.

It is generally conceded today, after trial, that the Australian ballot system affords the best method yet devised of voting at popular elections.

TODAY'S WEATHER.

Cool local rains; high westerly winds, diminishing during the afternoon.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Maximum temperature, 39; precipitation, 0.45 inch.

PORTLAND, FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 1902.

THE STRENGTH OF THE WEST.

In the course of a talk before the Business Men's League at Chicago last week Secretary Shaw summed up with admirable brevity and force the material facts which go to illustrate the strength of the West. He pointed out that the states formed of the old Northwest Territory and the territory annexed after 1805 are pre-eminently the great wealth-producers of the Nation.

A RETURN TO FIRST PRINCIPLES.

Let those who think and sorrow over the thought that we, as a Nation and as individuals, have forsaken the straight and narrow path which our forefathers trod, take courage. Evidently we have not been successful in our return to first principles.

POLITICAL ABSURDITY APPLIED.

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