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TODAY'S WEATHER—Cloudy and threatening, with occasional showers; westerly winds.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER—Maximum temperature 55 deg.; minimum, 44 deg.; precipitation, 0.13 inch.

PORTLAND, THURSDAY, MAY 21, 1903.

THE DAY AND THE GUEST.

Three thousand miles from where the first President formed a republic out of a group of weak and feeble colonies on the verge of untamed forests, and whence the third of the Presidents sent Lewis and Clark to spy out this land...

Here, where the newer Western world turns its face again to the Old, it is fitting that the guest of a day and the hope of years to come should be one whose theory and practice hark back to the old and homely virtues portrayed in the proverbs of a great Asiatic author and ruler.

That was a true word spoken at Philadelphia in June three years ago, that, while the Presidential nominee was a Western man with Eastern ideas, the Vice-President to be was an Eastern man with Western ideas.

The acceptance of trans-Pacific expansion, like the century earlier acceptance of trans-Rocky expansion, struck doubt into all but the stoutest hearts. It was a heavy load, about to be put upon us, and the Nation instinctively recoiled when first it was shown the burden.

The burdens of the world are to the backs that can bear them. There is only one use in being great and strong, and that is to dare highly, to do great things, to bear heavy burdens, to clear the way for religion to inspire and literature to ennoble and science to inform and art to ornament and delight.

tion of plundered China, even now the voice of Christendom thunders at the gates of St. Petersburg in righteous wrath at the innocent blood shed by the Jews of Kishinef.

And it is better so. The finest human product is that made jointly by the stout heart and the valiant hand. The surest way to lose one's life is to enter one's thought upon one's life in the effort to save it.

BRITISH FREE TRADE TOTTERING. None hears more distinctly than Joseph Chamberlain the rumblings of economic discontent that arise with increasing menace from the outlying members of the British Empire.

Mr. Chamberlain's view that the South African war was worth all it cost, since it proved that when England is hard pressed the whole resources in men and money of the colonies will be at the disposal of the mother country, and that to get that principle accepted was worth almost any sacrifice.

Mr. Chamberlain welcomes reciprocity, even as President McKinley, a theoretical protectionist, did it welcome, and he warned his Birmingham audience that, without reciprocity, Great Britain not only would lose the advantage of the further reduction of duty which Canada offers to English manufacturers, but would lose the preferences already given by Canada.

Mr. Chamberlain insists that the true interpretation of the doctrine of free trade, as opposed to the present artificial and narrow definition, is that, while Great Britain "seeks a free interchange of trade between peoples and all nations of the world, we will nevertheless assume the power of negotiation, and, whenever our own interests or our relations with the colonies are threatened by other people."

It is evident that the Chamberlain proposals are pertinent and plausible enough to arouse such interest in the tariff question as England has not known for a generation. The British devotion to free trade comes into direct antagonism with the British determination to maintain the empire at all cost, and it is significant that Rosebery himself seems far from confident in his appeal from patriotism to Cobdenism.

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By military operations the two districts of Sokoto and Kano have been added to Northern Nigeria and come under British supremacy. The new territory thus acquired is about 100,000 square miles in extent, and is rich in agricultural resources as well as in certain commercial products.

EMPTY CARS OR EMPTY SHIPS. Mr. James J. Hill, eminently successful as a railroad, is displaying much uncertainty of purpose regarding his initial experience in the ocean transportation business. To use an expression of commercial slang, he is already "hedging" against the possible humiliation and loss that would follow failure on the part of his big steamers to prove satisfactory in the trade for which they were built.

It is scarcely necessary to say that all men are not fit to be fathers, or that humanity at large and individuals in every community are sufferers from the mistaken efforts of many men in this direction, and to point to one, M. C. Humphrey, for proof. Here, for example, we have "a father of six," ranging in age from three months to eleven years.

The amazing fact has come out that during the session of the Missouri Legislature of 1901 the leading lobbyists, engaged in procuring legislation by dint of \$1000 bills, were given a place just back of the seat occupied by the presiding officer of the Senate, Lieutenant-Governor Lee, with a screen concealing them from view.

A great many copies of The Oregonian, especially of the Sunday paper, are held at the Postoffice for want of payment of sufficient postage. Payment of 3 cents is required to carry The Oregonian, as represented by the United States, Canada, Mexico and our insular possessions.

It is interesting to note that the editor of the Brooklyn Eagle, which came out strong for Mr. Cleveland for President while the latter was in St. Louis.

BAER'S RELIGION IMPUGNED.

The Churchman. In his testimony before the Interstate Commerce Commission, Baer, president of the Reading Company and its allied corporations, frankly admitted the acquisition of competing interests in order to control the entrance to the Delaware and Chesapeake canals, and as frankly declared such action to be right and lawful. It is not our province or intention to discuss the motives of Mr. Baer and those whom he represents, any more than it is to question the motives of Captain Mahan when we took sharp issue with the principles advocated by him.

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Some Ancient Coins. About 15 years ago Judge Victor Clay Barringer was living in Alexandria, Egypt, where an extensive business was carried on. After this he bought from a native Arab, which appeared to consist of copper, which he was told had been obtained from a hole in the wall where a building had been destroyed in the conflagration.

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MISSOURI REMEMBERS OREGON.

Kansas City Star. All the preparations being completed, we left our camp on Monday, May 14, 1804. This spot is at the mouth of Wood (Du Bois) River, a small stream which empties into the Missouri. The entrance to the river is about 100 feet wide, and is about 4 1/2 miles wide. We did not make more than four miles, and camped on the first island, opposite a small creek called Colewater—Lewis and Clark Journal.

Thus, 99 years ago today began that famous journey into the unknown which was to complete the work begun by Columbus 300 years before when he sailed out upon the "Sea of Darkness" in quest of the golden Cathay. Throughout the intervening centuries the explorers have not been idle. The Spaniards had crossed and reconquered the continent's southern belt; Mackenzie had penetrated the frozen wastes of British territory to the Pacific; Captain Gray in his ship Columbia had made a rush of waters through the two capes that guard the mouth of the great river of the Northwest.

Traders and trappers had ventured up the Mississippi to the country of the Sioux and up the Missouri to the land of the Dakotas. But the great plains of the Platte, the Little Missouri and the Yellowstone and the headwaters of the Missouri and the Columbia were still an undiscovered country. The crack of the rifle had never disturbed the herds of buffalo, of elk, of antelope and of bighorns which roamed the wide prairie.

For the exploration of this wild and inhospitable region the little party used their three clumsy boats into the boiling current of the Missouri on that afternoon in May 14 years ago. The river itself, with its yellow flood, its shifting channel, its desolate and lonely banks, typified the country toward which their progress was being made. They were plunging into a mysterious land. For the next two years the only voices they were to hear were to be those of the wilderness—the yell of the Indian, the call of the wolf, the roar of the buffalo herd, the crackling charge of the grizzly and behind and enveloping all the ceaseless lapping of the river. For a few days they were to pass little French settlements, the white walls of the homes of Boone—and then their only companions were to be the river, the Indians and the wilderness.

As they looked up upon the desolation of the prairie and the wilderness which encompassed them month after month they could not have dreamed of the changes to be wrought by a century of science and exploration. They knew nothing of the migration of the backwoods, but the march of the pioneers was beyond their power of prophesy. They might well have said, "The conquest of the regions they traversed would be a matter of centuries. If, indeed, it might ever be accomplished. Yet could they return today along the trail they followed they would find the whole face of nature altered. Cities blaze where they saw only the unbroken forest. The noise of the herds has given way to the roar of the locomotive and the factory."

The white man has driven the Indian from his happy hunting grounds and made of them wheat fields and pastures. But two features of the landscape remain the same. The ruggedness of the Rocky Mountains stands as a forbidding barrier, still blocking the trail across the continent.

Chicago Inter Ocean. President Roosevelt did well to protest against placing signs upon the trees which are the most wonderful products of California. And the people of Santa Cruz did well to heed his protest and remove these disfigurements from the grove of huge redwoods near that town.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

Horror! This is the day. The President will encounter one thing that will be truly Oregonian—the weather. If the Portland teams could only win today, our happiness would be about complete. Today we shall have a chance to see if the President looks anything like his portraits.

Mr. Frank Plimley will umpire the Venezuelan squall. Let us hope the South Americans won't mob him. Manila is not to be outdone by Portland, so far as civilization goes. Witness the 2,000,000 peso fire out there yesterday.

The two Boston men who were towed to sea by a big whale can now realize what kind of a time Jonah had on his little trip. A Newark (N. J.) man is using an electric lighting plant for \$500 because his lights went out. It seems to be a case of the light that failed.

The two members of the Mafia in Peoria, Ill., who knifed each other to death in a duel are to be congratulated for riding the country of themselves. The people of New Haven are complaining because their bakers have quit work, but they have no kick coming, for they still have clean shirts.

It is understood that when the new appropriation becomes available for West Point Military Academy the cadets' board will be bettered. Wonder if they are to be supplied with more tobacco sauce. The Olympian Recorder prints the following pertinent remark, which might have in all truth, been made about Washington's metropolis: Eight prominent citizens of St. Louis presented Attorney Folk with a loving cup. The question naturally arises as to whether these eight are the only citizens left who escaped indictment.

There is a well-known story of Disraeli, when he was the Prime Minister of England: "What can we do with Roslyn?" Disraeli asked one of his colleagues, and the other suggested that he should be appointed master of the bloodhounds, as his father had been before him. "No," said Disraeli, "he swears too much for that. We will make him High Commissioner to the Church of Scotland." And High Commissioner he was made.

Herbert Booth's proposal to promote "scientific evangelization" by means of religious dramas performed by Christian actors before a cinematograph has been described by his father, the chief of the Salvation Army, as a "highly ingenious device for keeping an eye on both worlds." "What can we do with Roslyn?" Disraeli asked one of his colleagues, and the other suggested that he should be appointed master of the bloodhounds, as his father had been before him.

Some young girls at a Summer resort were giving a vaudeville performance for a local charity, the New York Tribune says. A young man who thought himself facetious teased upon the stage after one of the "turns" a bouquet whose chief ingredient was a head of cabbage. The girl who received this offering of appreciation read the card that accompanied it and advanced to the footlights. "It gives me great pleasure," she said, "to know that Mr. Edward Morgan has enjoyed my performance. I hoped that the audience might like it, but I never expected for a moment that Mr. Morgan would so far lose his head as to throw it upon the stage!"

Swiss masters in the state schools in the Summer season often turn girls, and the Swiss clergy are becoming lumberjacks in their parishes. Recently a pastor, the papers announced, had purchased an inn at Uffusen, a little village near Basel. In the cantons of Upper and Lower Unterwalden and Uri many of the clergy are attending both to the spiritual and material wants of their flocks. The reason of this innovation is that the priests are so badly paid that they are obliged to supplement their meager incomes by other means. The average income of the clergy in this country is \$12 a year. The establishments under their control are models of their kind, and they have succeeded in reducing drunkenness in their parishes. The cures attend on their customers in person, refusing to serve those who they consider have had enough.

Extra Kendall tells of a man who was riding on a train and pretended to be lame after eating a sandwich. The man opened his grip and took out a hot water bag. "He got a sympathetic porter," Mr. Kendall continues, "to fill the water bag with boiling water and then he opened up his lunch basket, took out a piece of fried steak and warmed it up on the water bag. You talk about your light housekeeping! Then, after he had warmed the steak, he cut it all up with a pair of scissors and fed it to himself with a pair of tongs, because he would not take a chance with a fork going around a curve. But his finish was a limit. After he had eaten the steak he uncured the stopper of the water bag and poured himself out a cup of hot coffee. He had the grounds in the bag all the time."

German friends of the "Los von Rom" movement in Bohemia and Styria are greatly encouraged by recent news from these provinces. During the week before Easter and on Easter Sunday two new churches and several new preaching and mission stations have been opened in districts where hitherto there were no Protestant services. Funds sufficient to carry on active work and pay a stipend to extra preachers are coming in from Germany, England and America. The leading Catholic clergy of Bohemia have resolved to hold conferences at Prague and Olmutz to consider what steps shall be taken to put a final stop to the movement. In the Tyrol and in the east and south of Switzerland the movement is spreading. It has opened two new churches in the canton of Testina. The churches, which are situated on the beautiful Lake Maggiore, were commenced 18 months ago. In the same canton other churches belonging to the "Los von Rom" are gradually converting the Swiss and Italian population.

The Forcible Properties of Cleveland, Atlanta Constitution. Great issues are to be presented in the Federal campaign next year, and it would be the extreme of folly for a democratic party to enter the battle weighed down with the feuds of past campaigns. Whether Mr. Cleveland wrecked the party or not, it will, in the light from inside the party, or with its opponents, would lead to no conclusion other than our confusion and certain defeat.

Chicago Chronicle. It is because the best newspapers have exposed the thieving rings of politicians and tariff-protected trusts that Boss Quay has had this libel law enacted by his Legislature and signed by his Governor. Having gained complete control of the political organs of the state, the Pennsylvania boss now proposes to muzzle the press so that this machinery can be surgely used without danger of exposure in print.

Chicago Chronicle. Like Mark Twain, Mr. Miller insists that reports of his death are greatly exaggerated, and he is of course entitled to a respectful hearing in the matter.