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YESTERDAY'S WEATHER—Maximum temperature, 61; minimum temperature, 54; precipitation, .01 of an inch. TODAY'S WEATHER—Showers; south to west winds.

PORTLAND, SATURDAY, JUNE 13. PERPETUAL TARIFFS. One reason why European industry complains...

Great Britain, as is well known, has adhered to an unbroken policy for seventy years. On the Continent the most notable feature of tariff legislation is its stability...

Supplementary to these general enactments are commercial treaties between Continental nations. They last a long time and therefore changes are slight and few...

On the other hand, they know enough in Europe to change duties when in other details they have become out-dated. Custom laws to revise the tariff in specific spots...

As attorney for the Metropolitan Street Railway is a very busy man, but four or five years ago turned his back on boardroom and consultation office and devoted months of hard labor to profound research into the constitutional law of National expansion...

"MIGHT MAKE HIM SLOW." A fellow named Cowgill, at Baker City, who makes his living by fawning on railroad magnates, publishes in the Baker Democrat an article in which he accuses the Oregonian of "hammering Harriman"...

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It is believed that in the aggregate the amount of Valley wheat that will be drawn from export purposes is considerable. A short crop in the Puget Sound territory and a fairly good crop in Portland territory would puncture some of the bombastic yarns that have been put forth in the Puget Sound papers...

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NOTE AND COMMENT. We do not envy the Skuptschina and its new job. It seems Mr. Chamberlain didn't know it was loaded. If the city can't sprinkle the streets, the weather man can.

The price of baking powder is falling, but the powder is still on the rise. Miss McCarty won't have to stint herself on soda water this summer, anyway. There is a great falling off in the number of persons who would like to be Kings.

The Serbian ruler with the unpronounceable name will now have the pleasure of settling with the mob. There seems to be pretty near as much excitement in Serbia as there was a postal scandal or a Legislature. Owl cars are principally meant for night hawks and people who are out on late. Lots of natural history in this.

The enterprising polyscope operators are no doubt all wishing they had been present at King Alexander's evening reception. A California boy shot his brother rather than have him suffer the ignominy of being whipped by a teacher. The brother must have been greatly tickled by the act.

The lightning that struck the New York school didn't kill any of the pupils, for the reason that they thought it was nothing but football, and gave the lightning all that it wanted. When the friends of the rival claimants of the discovery of anesthesia were proposing monuments for each other, Oliver Wendell Holmes suggested that all should unite in erecting a single memorial, with a central group symbolizing painless surgery, a statue of Jackson on one side, a statue of Morton on the other and the inscription beneath "To E(ither)." In his recent brochure on Zola, M. Fauguet of the Academie Francaise, says "Zola began to write too soon. Every man who writes before he is 30, and who does not devote the golden age of his life from the 30th year to the 36th to reading, observing and thinking, without writing a line, runs the risk of having no brain and of being but a journeyman author. There are some exceptions, but they are rare."

Major Seth Low, of New York, despite his pleasant smile and cordial grasp of his hand, is regarded by those who have occasion to do much public business with him as a cold man. He has never shown one spark of temper since elected to the office of Mayor, and this is a case of remarkable self-control, it is asserted, as he has a temper that would blaze up if he would let it. During the recent visit of Emperor William to the pope the venerable pontiff showed great interest in the Emperor's boys. It is said that he took Prince Eitel Fritz by the hand and said: "You must be about the age of my grandson, Alphonso of Spain, whom I shall never see." When the visit of the Kaiser and his sons was over the pope remarked: "Those are boys to be proud of, but six! How is it the Emperor can look so young?" The New York Herald is laughing over a story told on Will Carleton, the poet, who is also a publisher. The other day he appeared at his office in a new coat, which he hung up. It fell to the dusty floor. The office boy picked the garment up without brushing it and helped Mr. Carleton put it on. Catching a glimpse of his own irreparable appearance in a mirror, the poet thundered: "Boy! What do you mean by this? I come in here looking like a publisher and you send me out looking like an author!" To Mrs. C. B. Hollam, of Dallas, probably belongs the distinction of holding more important offices than any other woman in Texas, if not in the country. She is Deputy United States Circuit Court Clerk, Deputy United States District Court Clerk, both for the Northern District of Texas; stenographer for the United States Marshal, and holds a commission as Deputy United States Marshal for that district, as the law requires the Marshal's employes to be and act as Deputy Marshals. This last gives her the right to carry "deadly weapons" but it is stated that she has never tried to bluff any one.

A certain American woman, the wife of a former Representative in Congress, Minister abroad, who now aims at social leadership in the most exclusive and top-notch circles of Washington, D. C., is noted for her love of display and her penchant for wearing about all the jewels she can bear up under. One recent night she gave a dinner. Several members of the diplomatic set were present. Madam was in high feather, and she also wore a diamond tiara and several strings of pearls around her neck. During the evening she complained of feeling bit chilly, and told one of the servants to call her maid. When the maid appeared she is said to have shivered a trifle and exclaimed: "Susette, I am so cold; please get me another string of pearls."

PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHS. "I'm feeling deucedly dependent, old chap." "Come and see mine play ball—they'll make you forget all the rest of your troubles." "I tell you the truth—" "Shahshah! Don't cry, old man! George Washington did that once, and look at him now—he's dead!" "Baltimore News." "Boy, I'm surprised in view of E. Benjamin Andrews' desertion of the altar cause, Editor Bryan is not surprised at the Nebraska election—Chicago Tribune." "What was the trouble?" "He couldn't bear it—'What has that to do with his failure?' 'He got into a company where the stock was all water.'" "Chicago Evening Post." "He (after a 117-year-old) went to your mother, eh? She—yes, she was worth a call—he supposed she'd say to you: 'She—she'll say 'I told you so.'" (He made up)—New York Weekly. "Wanting—I wonder if Galsky will recite for me at my little party this evening? Duano—He will unless you know some as yet undiscovered way to prevent him—Baltimore News." Ethel—There, I've forgotten to attend a function to which I was invited. How careless. George—You should have an engagement calendar. Ethel—Oh, George, this is so sad—Chicago Record-Herald. Kitty—They tell me Fred has proposed to you? Bertha—Well, no; not exactly; but it amounts to that. He asked me night before last if I ever father was worth as much as they say he is.—Boston Transcript. "Very often, I suppose," said the inquisitive person, "you are deceived by apparent objects of charity whom you quietly help." "Yes, indeed," replied the wealthy philanthropist, "it's just like throwing money away. Sometimes the very people you think will do you the most good never say a word about it."—Philadelphia Free.