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YESTERDAY'S WEATHER—Maximum temperature, 71 deg.; minimum temperature, 52 deg.; precipitation, 0.

TODAY'S WEATHER—Fair and warmer, mostly clear.

PORTLAND, SATURDAY, AUGUST 1.

DIVIDED RESPONSIBILITY. In the presence of this fearful accident on the Morrison-street bridge,

we have no desire to excuse criminal negligence where it exists, and no disposition to arouse indignation against those not deserving of blame.

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not that I say unto you, you must be born again." Only through generations of education is the story of the civilization of a race unfolded. And after generations shall come again, and these generations shall have come and gone, and come again, the declaration, "To be born again," will hold against the laggards who have fallen behind in the march of evolution.

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DEMOCRATIC VIEWS OF BRYAN.

Hopelless. Mr. Bryan's case is hopeless. This would be a matter of little moment, but the trouble is, also, that as long as he remains any considerable number of followers the Democracy's case is hopeless also.

Send Him and Cleveland Aways. New Orleans States. It would prove a godsend for the Democracy were it possible to have Mr. Bryan chased to a high altitude, commencing to settle something in Dahomey, and Mr. Cleveland to perform a similar service in far-away Tibet.

Democracy's Walking Delegate. Chattanooga Times. The best thing Mr. Bryan can do is to "go way back and sit down." The conservative elements of the two factions of the party have agreed to the arbitration plan and the walking delegate—Mr. Bryan—from the equation.

Maine for Cleveland. Mobile Register. Some idea of the magnitude of the belief in Grover Cleveland may be found in these sentences in a letter from a gentleman living in Bucksport, Me.:

Why He Fleighs Cleveland. Cincinnati Enquirer. Colonel Bryan says Grover Cleveland wrecked the affairs of the Democratic party. Grover hasn't yet given his judgment as to what would have become of the affairs of the party had Colonel Bryan "landed for one term only on the hill" and Mr. Cleveland "manifestly regarded by Colonel Bryan as a formidable candidate for the Democratic nomination next year, notwithstanding his restraint."

Interloper Compared With Cleveland. Atlanta Journal. Let Bryan eliminate Bryan, and then inharmonious will be eliminated. As long as he keeps bringing forward Bryan, just so long will the popular vote be brought forward. To speak in a homely fashion, Clevelandism got here first, and it certainly looks like it intends to stay awhile, if we are to judge by the popular reception which it recently when it came out for a bit of airing, as it were.

Would Defeat His Party. Providence Telegram. At present the Democracy is in no condition for the conflict on account of the attitude of Mr. Bryan, who seems determined to accomplish the defeat of the party, if he cannot have his own way in the selection of a candidate and the framing of a platform, and the influence of Mr. Bryan, however, gives encouragement to the Democracy that before the Presidential campaign opens his power to do injury will have been practically eliminated.

An Important Kicker. Brooklyn Eagle. The Nashville American, like the Eagle, a Democratic paper, was lately the recipient of a scratch by Mr. Bryan. It is celebrating an "old-home week" such as is now attracting New Englanders from all parts of the country. Our people cannot find a better place to live than their own state, and a reunion of those that had never been separated would be impossible.

Worse Than Childish. Philadelphia Record. Mr. Bryan is growing more and more tiresome. His pretense that the Democratic party was beaten in 1896 and 1899 on account of President Cleveland's unpopularity is a little more foolish than most of the things he is saying. After this he has been defeated twice for the presidency good politics and keep still; Bay nursing that he should retire from politics and keep still; his explanations of his failure are likely to be absurd, and in the case of Mr. Bryan they are worse than childish.

Should Stay in Nursery. Selma (Ala.) Times. The constant attacks that Mr. Bryan makes on Mr. Cleveland causes a weary feeling to pass over us. We are not a Cleveland man by any means, but for the sake of the country we should hope that the President makes us tired. It looks like he can find nothing else to harp on but Cleveland, who is now at the age of a put in an appearance a few weeks ago. Mr. Bryan had better confine himself to the nursery for awhile, rather than be running about the country abusing Grover Cleveland.

A Person of No Importance. Montgomery Advertiser. Mr. Bryan should not be considered one way or the other, in the sense of truckling to him, or gratifying his particular financial views. To use a common expression, Mr. Bryan will not be "in it" as a potent factor. Neither should the possibility of a split in the main party be an argument in the matter. That he may head a bolt if the ticket is not satisfactory is true, but if the Democratic party is so afraid of a bolt in this part, that they suffer him to name a candidate and platform, it is defeated in advance. No reincarnation of 1896 and 1899 stands even a reasonable chance of success, and all intelligent Democrats know it.

A Famous Hungarian Exile. New York Herald. Elek Ludvig, one of the leaders of the Hungarian revolution, a compatriot of Kossuth, and later a member of the staff of Major-General Julius Stahl, U. S. A., in the Civil War, has been in the States. Mr. Ludvig was a son of John Ludvig, a judge in Hungary. In 1848 a price having been set upon his head for his part in the Hungarian revolution, he became an exile. He lives in London and Brussels until 1864, when he came to New York with a letter of introduction from Kossuth to William H. Seward, and at the beginning of the Civil War he joined the Union army, where he served as Major-General Stahl and Russell A. Alger. After the war he engaged in the importation of laces in this city. He retired from business several years ago.

Nominee From Cleveland Wing. Helena Record. William V. Allen, of Nebraska, who was Senator from that state in the days of the Populists and who is one of the few left to the political party, predicted in an interview in Spokane last week that the Democrats will nominate a man agreeable to the Cleveland wing of the party for President next year. Mr. Allen professing to be anything but a Populist, he has had a good deal of traffic with the Democrats and knows them through and through. He is a close personal friend of Bryan. He would like to see Bryan elected. It will not be charged that the wish is father to the thought in Bill Allen's case, when he says he thinks the Bryan forces will be inconspicuously turned down next Summer in the National convention.

A Bolter's Confession. Chicago Chronicle. Mr. Bryan is the only man twice nominated for President next year by the Democratic party who has found it necessary to publish a long statement tending to prove that he is a Democrat. In a close personal friend of Bryan, who has ten years of bolting and Populism the Nebraska demagogue admits that in 1892 he voted for James B. Weaver for President, but he excuses himself by saying that in so doing he followed the advice of Democratic committees of the state and the Nation, which had no hope of carrying Nebraska for Mr. Cleveland, though they did think it possible to deprive Mr. Harrison of his electoral votes. When we remember the attitude of this Populist toward Grover Cleveland at that time and during the Presidential campaign of 1896, we may be pretty sure that no committee recommendation was necessary to secure his vote for Weaver. He took to the hucks naturally and inevitably. The probability is that he has been voting the Populist ticket at several preceding elections and was quite as favorable to A. J. Streeter in 1888 and to Benjamin F. Butler in 1894 as he was to James B. Weaver in 1892.

SPIRIT OF THE NORTHWEST PRESS.

There Are Others. Tacoma News. The operations of safe-crackers, marked highways, pickpockets and thugs in Seattle, the narration of which fills a large space in the daily record of events in that city, indicate that the large law-abiding population of the city is not nearly large enough. Seattle ought to start a 28 club, with suitable accommodations at Mr. Cudahy's hotel.

Heaven at a Single Bound. Paisley Post. Frank C. Baker, of Portland, was elected Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee July 25. Mr. Baker is a Republican and a friend to both factions of the party in Portland. No doubt the election of Mr. Baker will bring these people together and in the future will work for the common purpose—the advancement of the Republican party.

How to Stop Lynchings. Medford Oregonian. The Oregonian struck the keynote when it said the negroes have the remedy in their own hands to stop the burning of their race at the stake, and that is to stop committing the atrocious crimes of which they are guilty. If they are possessed of human instincts they will desist of their own accord; but if not, they will and should go to the burning stake, even to extermination.

Who Is It? Ward Observer. "What's to be done and why," asks the Oregonian, discussing the Civil Service Commission. The commission is not all the admissions, damaging as they appear, and true as they are. The Oregonian turns instead to one not "in it" anyway, to ascertain what the scandalous purpose of applying the toe of its boot to the grafter of the mutton-headed Civil Service Commission, for whose act the Republican party must stand responsible, until he is kicked out.

Friendly Overtures Reciprocal. Whatcombs Reveille. Rivalry and competition in itself is a good thing, but can be carried too far. From the standpoint of the whole state, this intercourse is bound to result in a spirit of increased friendliness and greater desire for the unbuilding, not of certain sections alone, but of the whole state, and the value of this can not be measured. The remarks made on this line by the gentleman from Portland—Mr. Mills—were very timely and appropriate.

The Outs and Their Dream of Power. Bend Bulletin. Next year's state campaign has begun early and it looks very much as if ex-Governor Simon had planned for himself and trouble for the Mitchell-Fulton combination. The police department of Portland is the most sensitive political barometer in the state. When you find it being tipped back by "The Oregonian" you may know a hot time is projected and that the "other fellows" are the police department as a foundation upon which to build a new party which to inspect the very soul of the enemy. When the police department is on our side it is a model of efficiency and propriety. When it isn't—well, it is not so evident that the warning in Mitchell fight is booked for another appearance in Oregon. And Mitchell has had his day and is an old man.

No Railroad Inference, of Course. John Day News. The attempts of the Baker City Democrat to belittle the Portland press and business organizations now striving for consolidation, and planning for a new trade territory through railroad extension, are doubtless supposed to be in the interests of Baker City, but in reality they serve no good purpose, and are not becoming. The press of this section correctly represents the interests and reflects the sentiments of the business men, and it is a unit for demanding better traffic facilities with Portland. And if Portland business men see fit to help secure the needed railroad, they have a much better right