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YERSTERDAY'S WEATHER—Maximum temperature, 80 deg.; minimum, 57. Precipitation, none.

TODAY'S WEATHER—Fair; northwest wind.

PORTLAND, MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 1904.

PROPHCY THAT CAME TRUE. "Troy was." Russia had a fleet in Oriental waters; today her naval ensign flies over a few limping stragglers...

Evenly the situation at Port Arthur was desperate, and Admiral Witte, now in a state of semi-collapse, determined to attempt a junction with the Vladivostok squadron, which should never have been separated from the command to which he succeeded.

Mr. and Mrs. Romanoff will learn many things in the eventful weeks and months that are before them. Whereas their sisters have dutifully endured to have their hair combed and suffered the pangs of teething with patience, this lady is now in a state of semi-collapse.

No doubt the Japanese, who have studiously refrained from any action that might antagonize a neutral power, would respect his theoretical barrier if China were a military power and had a reputation for straightforward dealing.

Such action is an insult to China, but then China is used to being insulted, and whether she likes it or not, "What is she going to do about it?" is not enough for a neutral to ask respect.

Another aspect of the proposal to change the name of the State Reform School is its possible bearing on parental responsibility. If commitment to a State Industrial School instead of to a Reform School shall carry with it no cause of shame, will not a larger number of parents be ready to shirk the responsibility and give their children over to the care of the state...

A DISCOURAGER OF RESPONSIBILITY. Another aspect of the proposal to change the name of the State Reform School is its possible bearing on parental responsibility.

We hope that Mrs. Bryning will not get the kind of a man she wants. There are several in this part of the country that would fill the bill.

good demands the confinement of the boy and the restriction of his movements. A few years ago it was proposed that the name of the Oregon State Insane Asylum be changed to Oregon State Hospital, the purpose being to dispel the sense of disgrace which some persons feel after having been confined at that institution.

PORTLAND IS NOT SO GREEN. The ability and reasonableness of Mr. Schwerin's explanation of the Portland and Asiatic course in the matter of Japanese trade will probably put that topic in the category of closed incidents.

IN EXTENSION OF GIRL BARBERS. Owing to the confusion of the moment and the desire for a successor to the throne, the real merits of the situation in the household of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Romanoff seem to have been overlooked.

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domineering mouth. He carries a stout stick, which upon occasion he uses with precision and a heavy hand. Under his many protection, Mrs. Bryning would never for one moment be deluded into the supposition that she was it.

Judge Parker will not be a candidate for re-election because "no incumbent of the office should be placed in a situation where he is tempted to consider the effect of the action taken by him might have upon his political fortunes."

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WORDS AND DEEDS ABOUT OREGON. Chicago Inter Ocean. William I. Marshall writes a long letter censuring, as historically inaccurate and politically unfair, the use of the Oregon case by the Inter Ocean to illustrate the persistence of Democratic blundering on expansion questions.

Neither the Democrats nor the Whigs, asserts Mr. Marshall, "ever opposed the acquisition of Oregon" because it was so "far, or for any other reason."

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THE GROWTH OF CITIES. Chicago Tribune. Twenty years ago the annual estimates of Chicago's population, based on the directory figures, was paraded with much gusto. The recent announcement that the city has 1,341,000 people barely provokes comment.

The growth of this city, if viewed with alarm by many, is but an evidence of the worldwide movement from the rural districts to the urban centers. Germany and England are, in fact, more exercised over the growth of the large cities than is America.

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NOTE AND COMMENT. Run a Map. Is there trouble with wire, Run a map. It can be wrong to fire In a map.

Is the local rather light. Run a map. Put a cross for "latest fight" On the map.

Murder an ink blot On your map. Show a mark at each spot On your map.

Portland people have entered upon another undertaking. A tombstone association has been formed.

Canada has an alien labor law aimed against Americans, and America has an alien labor law aimed against Canadians.

The Pull Mall Magazine, William Waldorf Astor's London publication, appears to have struck a novelty in having an insert of two souvenir pictorial postcards in each issue.

Grave news from the Far East. The Wai Wai News from China, Foreign Office, remains silent in the Ryshenstein incident.

From a letter in the Pittsburg Dispatch: It is very gratifying to hear that the suggestion made in this column regarding the recall of Minister Lehman is about to be acted upon.

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