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TODAY'S WEATHER. Portland, March 22.—The weather for Washington and Oregon today; occasional showers, followed by fair weather.

Local weather for the twenty-four hours ending at 5 p. m., yesterday, furnished by the U. S. department of agriculture, weather bureau: Maximum temperature, 42 degrees. Minimum temperature, 24 degrees. Precipitation, .32 inch.

Total precipitation from July 1st, 1892, to date, 68.62 inches. Deficiency of precipitation from July 1st, 1893, to date, 3.14 inches.

This paper has the largest Circulation on the Columbia river. An honest and complete telegraphic report gives a newspaper a right and title to the name.

There is an old adage that new brooms sweep clean, and, if this be true, we are glad to see that Astoria has a new street superintendent who seems anxious to do his duty.

In the first place let him not fall into the error that any portion of the work will wait till some future time, or that he will be able to remedy all the existing evils at a hop, skip, and jump.

It will no doubt be said that this is not a part of the duty of a street superintendent. We maintain that it is, and a very important part of his duty at that.

We are aware that the chief of police is vested with the authority to report nuisances, but we are also aware that the chief of police has much other routine work to attend to, that makes it impossible for him to look after the thing as he should.

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healthy locality, heaven itself would reek with disease if it was surrounded by the accumulation of filth and noxious garbage that has been heaped up around us during the past winter.

The city jail, as was pointed out by Councilman O'Hara on Tuesday night, is in a horrible condition. Many of our private residences are worse.

There is, we think, a great deal of unnecessary difficulty in understanding the president's attitude towards newspaper men. It is simple enough if examined without the obscuration of the theories that should be skimmed from the facts.

Recently there has been cultivated by many newspaper men, especially young men in the cities and old men in the country, the idea that there are uncommon privileges belonging to their business; that they are, in effect a tribe set apart with an office; that they were dedicated to special service, and should be regarded as put aside and sanctified to educating the general masses of their fellow beings.

Now, without detracting in the least from the newspaper man's responsibilities, or affirming or disputing the elevation of his occupation, there are objections to be taken to the "fad" of journalism. We, the workers on the press, are the equals of our fellow citizens who are as talented, educated, well conducted, industrious, and successful or unsuccessful as ourselves.

The journalistic fad first had fast hold of the country editor. The claims of which we speak with questioning first originated in the country, and not in the cities. They are rural rather than metropolitan.

The favorite form of the fad in the country, and this weakness crops up in our own state about the present time, is that the editor should be consulted and recognized in the vicinity of the courthouse and the postoffice; and the better plan is that he shall come into the official circle of the county by becoming postmaster. Here in Clatsop county we are happily free from the possibility of this affliction, but only because the democratic sheets in the district are too distinctly vile and too far outside the pale for the endorsement of even their own party.

The idea is deeply implanted in the mind of the average country editor, nevertheless, that the postoffice is his perquisite. There are relations between the press and the postoffice. There are ties and tendrils—a common language, literature and religion—as is said in after dinner speeches. Editors can claim the postoffice with arguments of association, co-sanguinity, and reciprocity. This editorial distinction, which is exceptional and unique, the president has not denounced, but he takes the high ground that, though a democratic editor is but a little lower than the democratic angels, he is not called by virtue of his virtues into the postal department of the administration.

In our local columns today we publish a report from Dr. J. A. Fulton, secured on our own behalf, for the guidance and benefit of the city council, nothing that we can say would add any additional weight to this medical statement of the condition of affairs in the city jail. Surely the matter is one that demands the immediate attention of every sensible man in the community.

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