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## TODAY'S WEATHER.

Portland, May 15.—For Oregon and Washington: light showers followed by fair weather; nearly stationary temperature; light to fresh variable winds, becoming westerly.

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, 61 degrees.  
Minimum temperature, 51 degrees.  
Precipitation, .30 inches.  
Total precipitation from July 1st, 1892, to date, 79.80 inches.  
Excess of precipitation from July 1st, 1892, to date, 8.3 inches.

The Review of Reviews for May, without pretending for a moment to invade the special domain of the elegantly illustrated monthly magazines, may perhaps claim to surpass any of them in a certain quality of original and timely interest in its pictures. It contains, all told, about one hundred illustrations. They pertain to the World's Fair, to the naval review, to the flag-raising on the Navesink Highlands, of April 25, and the casting of the Liberty Bell on May 1 at Troy, to the reception in New York of the Duke of Veragua, the lineal descendant of Christopher Columbus; to Mr. Cleveland's various important appointments, including perhaps a dozen of the most important new foreign ministers and the principal commissioners and chiefs of bureaus.

It would be a wise plan for the City Council to take some steps looking to the immediate improvement of the condition of that monument of foolishness—the West Eight street bulkhead. It is likely at any time to come down by sheer dint of its own weight and cause accident to the occupants of some passing team.

It was a good bit of advice which Samuel Johnson gave, that as often as we lose a friend by death or removal, we should straightway seek another to fill the vacancy, lest we find ourselves alone in old age.

The trusts squeezed the people, and Wall street performed a like service for the trusts, which is one act to be placed on the credit side of the accounts of the Wall-Street operators.

Again has the shadow of Bismarck confronted the young man who thought his hand was strong enough to be played alone. "Tis ever thus."

An extra session of Congress tinkering at the financial system of the country would be the worst description of summer afflictions.

If the commissioner of pensions were an autocrat, who could reconstruct the acts of congress upon which the present system rests and who could revise the rolls and submit and strike off the names of hundreds of thousands of present beneficiaries, he would be in somewhat the position that Judge William Lochren, of Minneapolis, is to have entered upon says the May number of the Review of Reviews. Autocracy is not our American method; but it would certainly be a great relief if Judge Lochren could be given absolute and final power to readjust both the law and the administration of our pension system. The theoretical principles involved are just now in very active dispute. Few men whose words carry weight are opposed to the generous pensioning of all plainly deserving cases. A wise revision of the laws would probably increase the amounts paid to some classes of veterans, seriously and permanently disabled as a result of service rendered their country. Other classes, or sub-classes, would probably be rejected altogether. But there is less reason to complain of the system as set forth in existing statutes, than of that lax administration of the laws which has admitted to the rolls many persons not fairly entitled to public support. It is very easy to state the case too harshly, and to construe

honest and patriotic men as if they were rogues. Moreover, much has been said and written in amplification of the so-called scandalous pension abuses by men grossly ignorant of the whole subject. But when all this is conceded, the very face of the situation reveals disproportion and an abnormal tendency. We have admitted to the roll since the outbreak of the war nearly a million and a half of pensioners, of whom not far from a million survive to this day and are public beneficiaries. Of those now on the list, more than half have been added since inauguration of Mr. Harrison in 1889. Until 1890, yearly disbursements for pensions had never reached \$35,000,000. In 1888 (fiscal year) they approached \$30,000,000. In 1892 they exceeded \$140,000,000. Existing requirements can hardly be met with less than \$175,000,000 a year, and it is foreseen that \$200,000,000 annually will very soon be needed. The act of 1890 admitted to relief any surviving union soldier who had grown disabled and needy, providing their physical disabilities were in any way traceable to their service in the army. It was a policy about which men honestly differed. Some men believed that it was fair and wise, as well as broad and generous, and that it would have the approving verdict of future generations. Other men saw in it only a mad extravagance, at the dictation of greedy claim agents, organized "pension-grabbers," and demagogic politicians. There were two tenable points of view, so utterly unlike that a statesman might honestly have taken either side of the contention. But when it comes to the concrete administration of the laws, it ought to be easy to agree that there should be the most searching scrutiny used to keep the rolls clear of perjurers and frauds. It simply remains to be seen what can be done at this juncture. Judge Lochren's appointment is of an ideal excellence. The Republican Legislature of Minnesota endorsed it unanimously and with enthusiasm. He served with eminent valor in the war, and is in full sympathy with the veterans. But he is a just judge, a firm administrator, and no seeker for votes or popularity. Party feeling on the pension question has abated much. The time is ripe for its treatment on non-partisan, reasonable lines. Judge Lochren's management of the office will have begun with a prestige not equaled by that of any of his predecessors.

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## AN ENGLISH COMMENTARY.

Said an eminent English scientist recently: "The danger that confronts the great American people to-day is not the possible adoption of a wrong financial policy for the nation, or the spread of socialism, or the increase of corruption among public men. All these are bad enough, to be sure, but they are as nothing compared to the terrible national disease—I had almost said national crime—of overwork. The mad rush for wealth is set at a killing pace, and thousands fall by the way every year."

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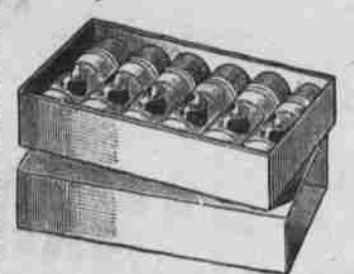
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