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BRIGHT PROSPECTS.

The issues of the next national campaign are very clearly outlined and the people have been quite thoroughly educated in them. During the meeting of congress just closed, the important questions which constitute the bases of both political organizations have been fully and ably discussed by the leading minds of the nation, and the positions of the two great parties clearly defined. The people have been particularly anxious regarding the tariff, which is a distinctively American doctrine, and both parties have made pledges to the country. That the Mills bill—the democratic measure—was not satisfactory was clearly shown by the defeat of Mr. Cleveland during the last presidential campaign. His administration, during the previous four years, had placed itself in favor of free trade, or as nearly so as was possible to meet the expenses of the government. On the contrary, the republicans advocated protection to American industries, and it received the verdict of the ballot box.

In 1892 the democrats will enter the campaign opposed to the McKinley tariff and the silver bill passed by congress, and the republicans will have these as the shibboleth of success. Of course the Lodge Election bill will be indelicately discussed in the canvass; but even if the republicans stand on this—which was not passed—there is no fear of defeat. The sentiment of the nation has been tested on several occasions, and there is no contradicting the statement that it is intensely American, in favor of a convenient currency and equal rights to all citizens. On these vital questions the republican party has placed itself on record, and there is no reason for it to stultify itself at the ballot box. The McKinley bill may not be suited to all classes in the United States, and it is hardly within the range of possibility that any measure, however carefully drawn, could be; but it meets the wants of the industries and producers of the nation nearer than any one presented in congress for many years. As regards bi-metallism, the measure passed by republicans is more nearly the desire of gold and silver men than anything ever introduced by democrats. Mr. Cleveland held the doctrine of gold bugs, and was almost universally opposed by his party. Harmony has been secured in Republican ranks on this question, and we believe the people are satisfied. Forfeiture of unearned land grants will no longer be a matter on which partisans can make unfulfilled promises to the voters. Thanks to the republican congress this has been stricken from American politics, and the public domain is as it should be for the benefit of the home-seeker and home-builder. The next fight will not be waged on this question; but on the issue mentioned, and the republicans have made a glorious record for themselves, of which they need not be ashamed.

Several of the fall states have been heard from, and the principles of the party of progress and protection are still triumphant. We predict the same result in those yet to be heard from, and these prognosticate the future. The republican party, so far as paved its way to the White House in 1892, and we can see no reason why the next presidential campaign shall not be as successful, and even more so, than any the republican party has enjoyed during the last quarter of a century.—Times-Mountaineer.

ABOUSE, YE!

There is much truth in the following, which is, in a degree, applicable to Corvallis. There is in our city a drowsy element which enterprise must drag from its mossy habitues, very tenderly sponge from its eyes the accumulations from a Van Winkle sleep, then accelerate its movements by holding, in front of its bewildered gaze, a bag of shining twenty-dollar peices. It seems necessary to manage this element much in the same way that the teamster induced the mule to advance—by suspending a wisp of hay in front of the creature. It is the purpose of the GAZETTE to arouse these snoozers from their apathy so that they may not be a stumbling block for enterprise. The Astorian says: "Rapidly onward toward a glorious success many a city is marching steadily along, because of the live men within her borders who act in unison on every movement for the general good. Here in Astoria where many are inclined to sit quietly dozing, because they believe that the industrious people of the world will of necessity come here without urging, as we have so many natural advantages, the procession marching 'toward a glorious success' is moving slower than if keeping time to a funeral march. Even with all our natural advantages, without putting forward earnest effort, the dominion of Satan will freeze hard enough for a skating pond before Astoria will become a big city. Work and energy alone brings success, either to an individual or to a city."

TAXATION without representation is an evil in any free country, and representation without fair or equal taxation also merits condemnation. The latter appears to be the trouble with Oregon, and some remedy should be applied at the next session of our legislature. There are hardly two officials in the state who follow the same rule in assessing the value of property. We understand that some divide the actual value by two, and some by three, etc. This makes the burden of taxation unequal in different portions of the state. A convention of assessors might formulate some plan to be adopted by the legislature which would equalize matters in this regard, and be perfectly satisfactory to tax payers. We have no doubt the assessors attempt to do what is right; but until a uniform rule is adopted there is certain to be inequality.—Times-Mountaineer.

POSITIVE action has been taken by the directors of the New York Central railroad against the Knights of Labor. Vice-President Webb has addressed a circular to the various heads of departments of the road requesting them to inform their men that they cannot remain members of the Knights of Labor and be in the employ of the road. The reason given is that the recent action of that order has been such that the officials of the road do not believe a member of the Knights can be of efficient service to the company, and all men who desire to remain in the order will not be kept in the employ of the road.—Astorian.

At Bridgeton, New Jersey, there are six large canneries, and they pay to their 1000 employees and for vegetables and fruit \$500,000 a year. The district surrounding Salem is by far a better fruit and vegetable country, and the canneries business here will grow in a few years to larger proportions than there. Talk about Salem's growth. It hasn't got half started yet.—Daily Statesman.

A BROOKLYN paper advocates free postage as a means of getting rid of the surplus. It is hardly necessary to say that their idea is not republican for it entirely disregards the plan of devoting the surplus to wiping out our debt.—Albany Herald.

FRUIT RAISING.

There is no doubt that the raising of wheat will continue to be, for many years to come, the main reliance for revenue of the agriculturalists of Oregon. But those who have only small holdings would do well to turn their attention to the raising of fruits of all kinds. As is well known, there is no part of the United States where the soil and climate are so well adapted to fruit culture as in the Willamette valley, and in Southern Oregon west of the Cascade mountains. All but tropical fruits flourish well, and the yield is something remarkable. There is an immense market opening up for fruits right in front of us, to the eastward, which if we do not make an effort to supply will be occupied by the enterprising orchardists of California. Between Oregon and Lake Michigan there will soon be a population of from five to ten millions that will be mainly dependent upon other sections for their supplies of fruit, for which millions of dollars will be expended. This field should be supplied from Oregon, which has the advantage over other sections of the country in being situated nearer to the market, and is of course its natural source of supply. Fruit-growing can therefore be made a leading industry, next to that of wheat, in this valley. The demand that the cannery in Salem has made in one short season of an indifferent yield is a revelation to many people, and the result will no doubt be the stimulation of an industry that has been neglected of late years. There should be five hundred or a thousand car-loads of fine fruit sent to Chicago during the exhibition year, the effect of which on the future prosperity of Oregon would be incalculable.—Statesman.

An exchange says official reports indicate that the United States treasury's supply of small notes has given out, and though \$9,000,000 in \$10 notes are now being printed, the sub-treasury in New York has been directed to ship no more small notes south or west for some time to come. Some people complain that their supply of both small and large notes has given out, and they will sympathize with the treasury.

The undertakers of Oregon will meet in Portland on the 20th. Their organization was formed to reap the expected harvest of mossbacks. But they have been disappointed. The mossbacks of Oregon are all getting well. They are beginning to take allopathic doses of enterprise and the moss is disappearing.—Statesman.

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE MILLER, of the U. S. supreme court, died of paralysis on the 13th inst. He was 74 years of age, and had been on the bench twenty-eight years, having been appointed by Lincoln in 1862. Justice Miller was regarded as the best authority on constitutional law in the United States.

AFTER eluding the officers of several counties in Alabama, many of whom have some of his lead in their bodies, Rube Burrows, the notorious outlaw and train robber has been killed. The dispatch says the outlaw's death has caused much excitement. Instead of excitement, great rejoicing should be indulged in, for Burrows was superior to Jessie James, in that he was more blood thirsty.

The appropriations made by the first session of the Fifty-first Congress were \$361,311,503. The permanent annual appropriations for the year 1890-91 amounted to \$101,628,453, making a grand total for the year of \$462,939,956, an increase over the Fiftieth Congress of \$40,313,613.

GENERAL E. N. BELKNAP died in Washington on the 13th, of heart disease. General Belknap was secretary of war under President Grant.

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