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THURSDAY, - - - APRIL 9, 1896

THE RAIN.

What can anyone write about or think about after breakfast this morning but this soft, welcome, life-giving rain? Not the news from the conventions in Portland, important as we all find them to be, claims the first thought of the heart, but the rain, the blessed rain! We must give voice to the voiceless and speak for the clover seed just sown; the peas, swelling to bursting in Mother Earth's brown bosom, and by association, to the grasses clothing the hillsides where the young lambs will soon be fitted to sacrifice for man's needs; to the wheat fields, making ready to feed hungry nations; to the under-ground reservoirs, laying up store that the springs fail not in mid-summer heat. These, and more than these, are singing this morning the jubilee psalm—"Thank God for the blessed rain!"

We may forget a little, or more properly, overlay, this note of thankfulness in the heated contest of the coming weeks, but before it is fairly under way we will, with all sentient nature, echo the great loving throb that comes from the mother of us all, of bursting buds, of growing life, and say again, "Thank God for the blessed rain!"

In connection with the present atmospheric effects, the thought of tomorrow's ceremonies comes most appositely. Arbor day exercises are arranged for apparently very generally in the schools of the state. Here the Ninth grade, A, is to conduct the program, and the hearts of all lovers of their kind will be with them, whether or not their ears are present to hear the pretty recitations and essays which will then be given. There is more in this than at first seems. It is not the one tree or vine that may be planted, and may or may not grow; it is the love of nature, the reverence for "God's first temples," that will not only lead to the wish to be instrumental in making two to grow where but one grew before, but to inculcate a spirit of preservation of what is already grown, so that our laws in this direction may not remain dead on our statute book.

What Weaver Avoided.

Gen. Weaver, according to all reports, made the same speech in Portland that he did in The Dalles. The Portland Telegram has the following comments upon it:

It is only because the wage-earners of the United States are unaware of the consequences of free silver coinage that they are not up in arms against it. If they were assured that the placing of this country's monetary system upon a silver standard would reduce their wages to a point below the level of comfortable subsistence they would hoot such orators as Weaver off the platform, and that they are not so assured is their own fault. They listen to the rapid theories of Populism while their ears and eyes are closed to the conditions that prevail in every country where silver is the standard money. It is their obstinacy in this respect that enables the Weavers to apply the woof of demagoguery to their warp of reason.

To the study of the workingmen of Portland who hearkened to the Iowa pilgrim's arguments last evening is commended the tables of wage rates that prevail in Mexico, China and Japan, the only three countries of any considerable size or commercial importance where silver is the acknowledged measure of value. It will be found that those countries have the lowest wage rates and consequently the most debased labor in the world. Their common people are below the level of the beasts of burden in the United States, for they do not get enough compensation for their toil to provide them with sufficient of life's bare necessities.

This aspect of the silver question is carefully and ostentatiously avoided by the Weavers of popular delusion. Yet it is the vital one. All economic movements must be determined primarily by their effect upon the masses, and nothing is more certain than that the silver standard is incompatible with anything but starvation wages. If we attempt to assimilate our financial and industrial system to that of the silver standard countries we must take the latter as a whole. We cannot grasp its advantages—if it ofers any—and reject its objectionable features. It must be all or nothing.

No wonder that the Weavers of public discontent avoid comparison of American wages with those paid the toilers in the silver standard countries.

It May Do as Much for You.
 Mr. Fred Miller, of Irving, Ill., writes that he had a severe kidney trouble for many years, with severe pains in his back and also that his bladder was affected. He tried many so called kidney cures but without any good result. About a year ago he began to use Electric Bitters and found relief at once. Electric Bitters is especially adapted to cure of all Kidney and Liver troubles and after gives almost instant relief. One trial will prove our statement. Price 50c and \$1.00. At Blakeley & Houghton's Drug Store.

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Death of Mrs. Douglas at Dufur.

Mrs. Clara Luella Douglass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kirkham of Dufur died at this place on the night of April 5th after a lingering illness of about two years, the cause of death being an affection of the heart.

Mrs. Douglass was a native of Madison Falls, Yolo county, Calif., and has been a resident of Wasco county and this vicinity for fifteen years. She was married in this county to A. J. Douglass in 1886 and was at time of death 29 years of age. Mrs. Douglass was well known and beloved by a large circle of friends and leaves three small children (two girls and one boy) to mourn her loss.

The funeral took place yesterday from the M. E. church and was in charge of the A. O. U. W., of which organization Mr. Douglass is an honored member. Mr. A. J. Brigham performed the funeral ceremonies, and in an able and impressive manner reviewed the life of the deceased and offered the consolations of religion to the bereaved family and friends. The remains were followed to the grave by a large concourse of friends and relations, and were interred in the family plot at the Odd Fellows' cemetery, north of Dufur. A. Dufur, April 7, 1896.

In the fall of 1893 a son of Mr. T. A. McFarland, a prominent merchant of Live Oak, Sutter county, Calif., was taken with a very heavy cold. The pains in his chest were so severe that he had spasms and was threatened with pneumonia. His father gave him several large doses of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which broke up the cough and cured him. Mr. McFarland says whenever his children have croup he invariably gives them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it always cures them. He considers it the best cough remedy in the market. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton's Drug store.

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