The Dalles Daily Chronicle.


THE FALL ELECTION.
In three weeks the political issue of 1898 will be passed in nearly all the states. To call thrs an off year is a misleading use of the word. N president is to be chosen, but in ev-
ery other respect the trial of strength The the polls is of national importance. The Fifty-sixth Congress will be elected with a term extending to ahead. The nature of congressiona legislation for two years preceeding
that date will be setted on ber 8th. A new house of representatives and political control of the at hand. It is unfortonate that a missfit term like "off year" should be
applied to a decision involving so much of consequence to the people der. The first thing to be said about the fall election is that voters who try ought to east their ballots with. their minds, if it has found loigcecondary matte
have few preliminary state elections any of them the result of 1896 . The most emphatic change was in Oregon, where a distinet gold platform was
adopted and where the Republican majority in 1896 of 2117 was increased in 1898 to over 10,000 , In
Mame and Vermont the Republican plurality fell off, though still over whelming and much larger than the average Republican pluralities in
these states previcus to the landslide of Cleveland's second administration. The Democratic majorities in Georgia and $\Delta$ rkansas show little that is
new except the rapid disappearance of the Populist party in the South. Fusion has apparently sapped the
Populists trength in that section. In all the state elections thus far in 1898 smaller than in 1896. A considerable number of Repablicans failed to same is true of Demoerats in the kansas. Apathy is perhaps too strong The registration proceedings in the different states does not indicate any With nationa! issues of asual interest to settle the total vote of 1898 should
be large. But there is one strong marked
element in the eampaign and that in the utter confusion of the Democra ples. Some of the Demoeratic state platforms are for free silver and othsouri a weak expausion plank wa adopted for a stiff light against it in great commercial state of $\mathrm{N} \in \mathrm{w}$ Yit were nfraid to speak a word abo No Democratic national Pbilipplnes ists. A search for it reyeals ing but contradictions. This is a confession of weakness. The people purposes. What clear-cut political party offers is a tangle of opposite that nobody can understand. The platform of the party in the neet tate and what the Democrat pro claims in the country is hushed up in the cuties. Under the circumstances the Republican party should win cant victories,-Globe-Democrat.
zes are said to be one of the earthly certainties, but a Porto Rican can testify that they can be agreeably modified by a judicious change of flags.

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