

THE CAUSE IS WANING.

A statement recently printed sums up the result of fifty years' agitation in favor of woman suffrage, and makes a showing that ought to stagger the faith of the most ardent workers in that cause. It is shown that in twenty-four states women have some form of school suffrage, yet not more than five per cent of women entitled to vote have availed themselves of the "privilege." In the ten years from 1889 to 1899, the women of Colorado, Utah and Idaho acquired the full right to vote. Illinois, Connecticut and Ohio granted women school suffrage. Minnesota permitted them to vote for members of library boards. Iowa gave them a very restricted right to vote on questions involving the issue of municipal bonds. Louisiana empowered taxpaying women to vote on all questions submitted to taxpayers. The legislature of Oregon voted to submit to the people at the election held this month a constitutional amendment giving women full suffrage, which was defeated by an overwhelming majority.

In these same ten years three different suffrage bills failed in Arizona, three in Arkansas, two in South Dakota, four in California, and four bills and one constitutional amendment were defeated in Illinois, two in Indiana and one in Delaware. In Ohio a suffrage amendment and two bills were defeated. In Washington although in the territory women were allowed to vote, a suffrage amendment was defeated.

Perhaps the best test that has been made as to the desire for woman suffrage was in Massachusetts in 1895. All men and women who were eligible to vote at school elections were allowed to vote on this question. "Is it expedient that municipal suffrage be granted to women?" Of the men, 86,976 voted yea and 186,976 voted no. In the state 575,000 women were entitled to vote at this election, but 500,000 declined to express an opinion, and less than four per cent voted yes. In Chicago the same experience has been had, 29,812 women registering for the school election in 1894 and but 1488 for those of 1895. In Cleveland the women's vote has fallen off from 5831 in 1875 to 82 votes in 1898.

These seem to be irrefutable proofs that the masses of women do not desire suffrage, in spite of the claims of a few members of the sex.

Missouri having a governor with a rubber backbone, and St. Louis having a mayor with a spinal column of putty, the people themselves of the metropolis of the Puke state are obliged to take in their own hands the task of restoring order out of the chaos occasioned by the strike of the street railway men in that city, says the Salem Statesman.

EDITORIAL AFTERTHOUGHT.

It is the opinion of Oregon that the country has already expanded.

There are plenty of "boxers" in Hood River but they are strawberry boxers.

The party that regrets the settlement of a labor strike is short on excuses for existence.

A good many democratic state conventions are declaring for Bryan in order to get rid of him for 1904.

The harmony of Tammany with all the grafters of the empire state is hailed as a glorious augury of democratic victory in the fall.

Wouldn't a democratic president in the act of turning the Philippines over to Aguinaldo, the adventurer, be a pleasing spectacle for the American people to contemplate?

The Times-Mountaineer thinks it would be a blessing if somebody could discover Aguinaldo's recipe for "recussitation." An effective American recipe would be ten feet

of stout Manila rope with "George Washington" dangling at the end of it.

Bryan's visit to Oregon was not entirely responsible for the increased republican majority. Senator Hoar's famous anti-expansion speech was extensively circulated all over the state as a campaign document.

Robbed the Grave.

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