

EDITORIAL

Gold Democratic papers insist that Jefferson was a "sound money" man, and not at all a Democrat of the present school.

The Populists who air their partisan passions in hired Mitchell organs, or come to the rescue of that architect of the silver cause with resolutions to Populist conventions, do not meet with that cordial unanimity accorded to real champions of the people.

Mr Dingley very sensibly replies to Mr. Cleveland that the Republicans carried the election last fall on both financial and tariff issues.

Albany Democrat: The Salem Bi-metallic Union, headed by Judge R. P. Boise have voted that the legal rate of interest be 5 per cent flat in Oregon without any contract privileges.

The three political parties in Oregon as elsewhere, are about equally divided into rival if not hostile camps. There are the Bryan Democrats and the gold; the Mitchell Republicans and the Corbett-Scott-Simon Republicans; the Young Populists and the Penoyer Populists.

Corvallis Times: It ought not to be difficult for the reform forces to unite their strength. Two congressmen and in all likelihood, a senator, are to be elected in Oregon next year.

The new organization will give its first attention to the congressional elections in 1898, and it may easily win many representatives in the Eastern states.

What is the Oregonian in the Cleveland Gold Standard party? It seems the Gold Standard party is also divided on the tariff question.

The Oregonian is engaged in patting on the back the Populists who say: "No more fusion in Oregon! Our motto is 'Principle, not office.' All we have or do is to stick to our principle, and the office will come to us."

If it understood what the State Central committee meant when it declared against any more fusion it might not applaud so loud or feel so happy. Fusion means a combination or different party nominations on one ticket.

What about the future? We do not pretend to speak for the whole country, but we believe for Western Oregon the outlook is favorable.

REVIEW

Of April Weather and Crops.

A Review of the Past Week Makes a Good Showing.

The rains noted one week ago ended on Thursday, when the weather cleared and clear, warm weather has since prevailed. The rainfall amounted to from one-quarter to one-half an inch in the interior valleys, and over one-half an inch along the coast.

The frosts on the mornings of the 22d and 23d did slight damage in portions of Josephine and Jackson counties to the strawberry crop, but the damage is so slight that it is hardly worth recording.

Plowing and seeding continue to be active. The spring acreage will be larger than ever known before, and the fall-sown is less. Grain sown the fore part of the month is already two or three inches high; fall-sown is high enough to shade the ground.

Vegetables are making rapid growth. Asparagus, onions, radishes, and lettuce are becoming very plentiful. Potatoes planted in March have well-formed tops. Hops are growing rapidly; they are about three feet high, and work in the yards is being pushed.

The weather conditions are favorable to all vegetation and unless the unexpected happens, the crops of grain, fruit, vegetables, hay hops, etc., will be the largest in the history of the state.

There was a severe frost last night, which in some localities it is thought did a great deal of damage, yet many old fruit men think there has been no damage done.

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