Speech of Mr. Payne, of Ohio,

ON THE MINORITY PLATFORM.

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Mr. President and gentlemen, before I consider my proposition, which I shall now, which are presented for your consideration, allow me to say one word by way of explanation of a remark which I made when I first rose to address the Convention, and which has been misunderstood. In speaking of the majority and minority of the committee, I perhaps inadvertently, or by the tone and tone and the words, overwhelming and overwhelming majority, I meant that I was one with the minority of the committee, where, for three days, we have been in the minority. I meant that I was one with the minority of the committee, and have had the pleasure of being in the minority, and have had the pleasure of being in the minority, without giving manner and tone of voice to it. And now, sir, I have to say, that I have no apology to make for the position I occupy on this floor. I am in the minority, and I am proud of it. I am in the minority with men who stand upon the Democratic platform, and who, if we had been in the majority, would have made the Democratic platform. I am in the minority with men who stand upon the platform which we regard as the true Democratic platform, which we regard as a personal victory, which we regard as a victory, God knows, but every gentleman on that committee has felt, in his heart, that we have achieved a victory for the cause of the Democracy, and the action of the Convention, in all human probability, is depending on the fate of this party and the destiny of this Union. And we should have been false to our trust, we should have been false to our constituents, we should have been false to our country, if we had not done all we could to accommodate the difficulties that unhappily exist in our party. It is with that purpose alone with that feeling that I took my seat on the committee and that I took my place in this Convention. I have no apology to make for the position I occupy, and I know my own heart, and I know my own motives, and I know that I have not been actuated by a single motive, or a single feeling, or a single wish, but that which I have thought, and which the Democracy of Ohio would not make, or counter to the wishes and hopes of the Democracy of the Union. I have, sir, I believe, taken a different view of the platform from some of my friends, and I have been unable to agree with them in their views of the platform, and I have been unable to agree with them in their views of the platform, and it is the most painful act of my political life that I find myself compelled, by overpower of my convictions, to dissent from the views of some of the friends of this platform. And now, sir, I propose to state the reasons why I dissent from the views of some of the friends of this platform. I propose to state the reasons why I dissent from the views of some of the friends of this platform, and I will bear as much patience as I can command, and I will bear as much patience as I can command, and I will bear as much patience as I can command