

# Democratic Watchman

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## Democratic County Ticket.

FOR CONGRESS,  
J. L. SPANGLER.

Subject to the decision of the district conference.

For Assembly—(JAS. SCHOFIELD,  
ROBERT M. FOSTER.

For Sheriff—W. M. CRONISTER.

For Treasurer—C. A. WEAVER.

For Recorder—J. C. HARPER.

For Register—GEO. W. RUMBERGER.

For Commissioners—(P. H. MEYER,  
DANIEL HECKMAN.

For Auditors—(FRANK HESS,  
B. F. KISTER.

For County Surveyor—J. H. WETZEL.

For Coroner—W. U. IRVIN.

## McKinley and 50-Cent Dollars.

It will be the policy of the Republican campaigners to push the currency question aside and endeavor to play their best cards on the tariff issue. It is with this view they are representing that the restoration of McKinleyism will produce a satisfactory condition of the currency. One of the organs in pointing to the monetary situation when the McKinley tariff was in operation, exclaims: "Then it was that no dream was had of a 50-cent silver dollar to cheat the toiler of his wages."

If it was the silver dollar, now in circulation, that is said to have cheated the toiler of his wages was it not major McKinley that voted for the free and unlimited coinage of such dollars when as a member of Congress he voted for the bill introduced for that purpose by Mr. Bland of Missouri? When President Hayes vetoed that bill, was it not major McKinley that voted to pass it over the veto in order that there might be \$4,000,000 worth of these silver dollars coined every month? And has it not been in consequence of silver coinage bills voted for by McKinley in his capacity of congressman that 430,000,000 of these silver dollars have been coined?

If it be true that these dollars are worth only 50 cents, and if toilers are cheated by being paid with them, wouldn't McKinley be partly responsible for such a cheat, and what sort of a figure will he cut since the gold-bugs have perched him on a gold platform?

## Unreliable Principles.

When a party is seen wrangling over its declaration of a policy, as has been the case with the Republicans at St. Louis in regard to the currency, it looks very much as if it isn't principles they are concerned about, but rather that their purpose is to practice some deception by which the public may be fooled as to what their principles really are.

If the Republican party had really any fixed and honest monetary policy it would have been an easy thing for its convention to say so without all the scheming, plotting, jangling and countering that came off before it got down to its deceptive job of adjusting a free silver candidate to a gold standard platform.

An arrangement fixed up to satisfy such opposite elements and to secure the support of such clashing antagonisms, must necessarily be made on the lines of deception, and the unquestionable object is to perpetrate a fraud on the one side or the other. When the announcement of a policy has so much the appearance of an expediency, deception is stamped upon its very face.

Whatever may be the declaration of the convention as to "sound money," the suspicion can't be removed that the candidate has no fixed convictions in regard to the currency. In this connection it should be remembered that the major is a wobbler.

## Their Work Pleases English Bankers

Already congratulatory telegrams from London are broadening the smile on the faces of leading Republican politicians in this country. Every few hours they are told how well they handled the St. Louis convention and how satisfactory their work is to English bankers. Really, it looks as if the foreign money lenders have got the impression that this government is to be run in their exclusive interest, and the Republican party is their chosen agent. Possibly, however, the people of this country may have a say in the matter yet.

## They are the Facts.

The *Hornet*, a red-hot Republican paper published down at Howard, has the following highly complimentary notice of the Democratic candidate for register, G. W. RUMBERGER, in its issue of last week. It is not often that a Republican organ gets as much truth in so small a space:

"There is perhaps no public officer in the country who is better and more favorably known than Mr. Rumberger. Since his incumbency to office he has made hosts of friends on account of his whole souled genial disposition, his kind and courteous treatment of all with whom he transacted business, and his efficiency to discharge the duties of his office. Even the little children, for whom he always has a pleasant word, run to greet him and grasp him by the hand as he passes along the street. It has been customary for many years for both parties to re-nominate all county officers for a second term that are not barred by Statutory laws, accordingly Mr. Rumberger was re-nominated by acclamation, and well does he deserve it, most every one predicts his election by a handsome majority."

The St. Louis convention has determined that the Republican party shall make its fight this fall for the interests of the bucket shops and brokers of the country. The Democratic party at Chicago will declare for the interests and prosperity of the people and upon this issue will win.

## The Republican National Convention.

A Small Gathering and a Liable Crowd—McKinley for President, a Gold Platform and a Split in the Party.—No Enthusiasm and But Little Hope.

The Republican National Convention, or more correctly speaking Marcus Hanna's political aggregation, met in St. Louis on Tuesday. It was neither a big nor an enthusiastic gathering, nor will its general action, which has been outlined by those in charge of it for so long a time, be received with any great interest by the public. Col. A. K. McClure who was in attendance telegraphed his paper: "I have witnessed nearly every important political national convention held during the last forty years, and no one ever approached the convention now meeting here in general listlessness and listlessness. It has been captured by the methods of the politics that despises statesmanship and McKinley has been compelled to ward the statesmanship he possesses to enable Colonel Hanna to win him the nomination. So listless and perfunctory has the convention become that when McKinley's name was mentioned by Chairman Fairbanks, in his speech, not a single cheer or other exhibition of enthusiasm came from either convention or spectators. This is unexampled in the history of national conventions."

## A HOODOOED CONVENTION.

Mr. Carter was in his seat on the platform nearly an hour before there were delegates enough in their seats and visitors enough in the galleries to warrant him in calling the convention to order. Meantime, Mr. Carter discovered with a twinge that there was another hoodoo over this Convention. It has been noticed that the balfif thirteen is the preeminent hoodoo of the Convention Hall, in arrangement of the windows and seats and in the paraphernalia generally. Mr. McKinley wired the other day to Mr. Hanna Friday, and Mr. Hanna believes that he has arranged this matter to the satisfaction of the Canton statesman. But Mr. Carter has discovered a new hoodoo. At the Minneapolis Convention in June, 1892, Gen. James S. Clarkson of Iowa was Chairman of the Republican National Committee. He called the Convention to order and expressed his gratitude to the Republicans for selecting Minneapolis as the Convention city. The schools of Minneapolis clipped in and gave the Republican National Committee a massive oak chair and a beautiful oak table. The silver plates on this chair and this table, a good deal like coffin plates by the way, tell all that it is gift of the good people of Minneapolis. Chairman Clarkson sat in this chair to-day, and he pounded on that table to-day. It was recalled that the Hon. William McKinley of Ohio, as permanent Chairman of the Minneapolis Convention, sat in that chair and pounded on that table in June, 1892. It was from this chair that Mr. McKinley noted that, under the leadership of Gov. Joseph Benson Foweraker, Ohio cast its vote for him for President, while he (McKinley) cast the solitary vote of Ohio for Benjamin Harrison. Mr. McKinley was true to his promise. He said he would vote for Harrison and he did. But all during that week Mr. McKinley and his friends, including the Hon. Marcus A. Hanna, the great McKinley boss of to-day, worked hard against Harrison, and so effective were their labors that McKinley got in that Convention 145 votes. Yet only a few weeks before Mr. McKinley had called at the White House and requested President Harrison not to deny him the graceful privilege of being allowed to present his name for re-nomination at Minneapolis. It is one of the inner secrets of the Minneapolis Convention that Mr. McKinley had his speech of acceptance ready in case he was nominated there in place of Benjamin Harrison. Chairman Carter, when he saw the desk and had shuffled around in the big oak chair, recalled that they were closely associated with the events which brought about the overwhelming defeat of Benjamin Harrison four years ago. If Mr. McKinley had been aware that this table and this desk were to be used to-day he would not have slept a wink last night.

It was twelve o'clock on Tuesday when National chairman Carter called the convention to order, and requested Rabi Sale of St. Louis to open the proceedings with prayer, after which the roll was called and Chas. W. Fairbanks of Indiana was named as temporary chairman. Mr. Fairbanks jingled his keys, and in a speech of considerable length, the points in which, it condensed to a five minute talk, would still have appeared thin. As a speaker and a statesman he proved a failure. The usual committees were appointed, Smedley Darlington, representing the Pennsylvanians on the committee of resolutions, and Congressman Bingham of Philadelphia, acting as chairman of the committee on rules.

Wednesday's session opened at 10 o'clock and John M. Thurston of Nebraska was chosen permanent chairman, and Frank Reeder, of this state one of the vice Presidents. The entire day was taken up in hearing reports from committees, fighting over the seating delegations and in trying to make a platform. The Addick men from Delaware were ruthlessly thrown out, and the anti-McKinley men set aside in all instances.

There was a pathetic scene when the financial plank was reached and Senator Teller presented his minority report. It took the form of a substitute and declared in general terms for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1. Senator Teller spoke for 30 minutes. His words were followed with deep interest, for all present realized that the hour had arrived when one of the founders of the Republican party, a man who had been conspicuous in Republican councils for a third of a century, was taking a step which would separate him from his party friends.

Mr. Teller spoke with deep emotion and the sincerity of his purpose was so manifest that his words produced a deep impression. He spoke of his long connection with the Republican party. It was the party of his young manhood, the party of his choice. It was the party with which he had affiliated for 35 years. It was a party that had given him great honor and he had served it loyally. "But," he exclaimed, in a voice of deep earnestness, "the time has come when I shall be obliged to leave it, it declares for the gold standard."

Mr. Cleveland, of Nevada, asserted that with such a plank his State could not be kept in the Republican column. Mr. Lemmon, of California, said that the Western men had come there under the belief that the committee would be friendly to silver. He explained his connection with the last three Republican campaigns in California; that they had done what they could to keep the State in line, but the effect of this action would be to wipe out a Republican majority of 40,000 and make the State Democratic. Mr. Cannon, of Utah, like Mr. Teller created a profound sensation by the car-

nestness of his remark. His voice was choked with emotion several times, and he proceeded with great difficulty. He pointed out that Utah had been converted from a Democratic territory into a Republican State, but that it would be irretrievably lost if the party were committed to the gold standard. He bitterly deplored the necessity which compelled him to leave the party of his choice, but existing circumstances left him no alternative.

Mr. Dubois, of Idaho, also announced that he would follow his associates, Messrs Teller and Cannon, in leaving the party, although he regretted that necessity compelled him to take this step. He spoke at length of the loyalty of the extreme Western States to the Republican party. Each has now two Republicans in Senate, but the same could not be said of many of the Eastern States, the representatives of which were adopting a course that was driving the silver men from their party associates. He showed that New York was represented in the Senate by two Democrats; Indiana by two, and Ohio and Illinois had one each. If this plank was adopted, the Republican party would, he said, lose control of the Senate and not regain it in a quarter of a century.

THE PLATFORM. Boiled down and reproduced in plain English, begins with a preamble that claims credit for the Republicans for all the good, that has ever been done in this country, for all the prosperity it has ever enjoyed, and charges the Democrats with all the crimes and short-comings that are known to man.

The first resolution renews and emphasizes their allegiance to the policy which was announced in the present tariff, and pledges protection to all American industries. Reciprocity is endorsed and the removal of restrictions that now obstruct the sale of American products in the ports of other countries demanded.

Second, the single gold standard, or British system of finance is endorsed. Most emphatically, and bi-metalism approved, provided the countries of the old world will give their acquiescence.

Third, the Democratic administration is denounced for not paying the sugar planters of the south a bonus on the sugar product.

Sixth, sympathy is extended to Cuba but the platform indicates no way in which that sympathy can be shown.

Other planks of the platform indorse the Monroe doctrine; favor the extension of civil service; oppose the use of public money for sectarian purposes; condemn the administration's policy with regard to pensioners; favor liberal pensions, advocate the building of the Nicaragua canal by the government, and favor restrictions upon undesirable immigration.

The convention after serious wrangle and long delay, adjourned until Thursday morning.

## THE LATEST.

As we go to press, a telegram is received stating in brief that the sessions of Thursday were occupied in acting upon the reports of committees. That much bitterness was engendered by its adoption of the majority report of the committee on credentials and resolutions. When the resolution favoring the single gold standard was adopted, the representatives from the silver States, numbering 116 delegates, headed by Senators Teller, Duboise and Cannon, left the convention. At this writing 6 p. m. Thursday evening, the convention is listening to nominating speeches, with prospects that no nomination will be made before Friday morning.

## McKINLEY NOMINATED.

7 O'CLOCK.—A special to the WATCHMAN announced McKinley's nomination on the first ballot.

The vote was as follows: McKinley 6614, Morton 55, Reed 83, Quay 614 and Allison 251.

9 O'CLOCK.—Hobart, of New Jersey, was nominated for Vice President completing the Republican National ticket.

## A Lie With Its Career Cut Short.

### HERE IS THE LIE.

From the Daily News of Tuesday. The lines of the Democracy of Centre county were humming merrily to-day over the rumor that the nomination of W. M. Cronister, who was recently named for sheriff at the Democratic convention, is illegal and cannot stand.

The trouble arises over the nomination for sheriff. On the ninth ballot the vote stood: John Noll, 28; W. M. Cronister, 25; and Geo. E. Parker, 25. Mr. Parker being the lowest on the ticket was dropped and the tenth and deciding ballot was between John Noll and W. M. Cronister and the latter won by five votes. It is claimed that Mr. John Uhl, of the northern precinct of Boggs township, was instructed for Parker but on the ninth ballot, voted for Cronister. Had the delegate voted as instructed he could not lawfully vote otherwise) Parker would have had 26 and Cronister 25.

## HERE IS THE TRUTH.

Milesburg, June 18th, 1896.

EDITOR OF WATCHMAN. Dear Sir:—The infamous report published and circulated by a certain Republican paper of this county, to the effect that I bolted my instructions on sheriff at the recent Democratic convention held in Bellefonte on the 9th, inst., is utterly false, and without foundation. I was instructed by Mr. Geo. E. Parker, of Phillipsburg, and voted for him on every ballot while his name was before the convention. In support or proof of this fact I refer all concerned to Mr. Henry Heaton, who sat at my side when I cast my ballots, and further I will also make affidavit to the same if it is necessary.

Hoping that this will be satisfactory I remain, Yours Democratically,

HENRY UHL.

## ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Burglars entered the home of Robert Valentine and Mrs. R. V. Pugh, on Curtin street, Wednesday night, but got little booty. At the former place they got \$1.50 and a few cigars.

A great reduction in the price of summer dry goods, trimmings, hosiery, clothing and shoes at Lyon's. Read their ads on page 7 of this issue of the WATCHMAN.

The watch which was stolen from Miss Caroline Orvis, of Linn street, while she was at the College, Monday night, was found, on Wednesday morning, between the screen and front doors of the McKee home, where she was stopping.

Lock Haven is to have a new sail boat 17 feet long that is to float on the pool of the Lock Haven dam, and the newspapers of that city are making as much ado about it, as if it was a manufactory employing hundreds of men.

A BRACELET LOST.—A heavy silver chain bracelet with lock was lost on High or Allegheny streets, Wednesday evening. The initials "M. V. S." were engraved on the lock. Finder would confer a favor by returning same to this office.

Newton Hamilton camp-meeting will open August 11. Quite an improvement is being made to the tabernacle and the benches of which are to be taken out and the space filled with comfortable chairs. This will greatly add to the comfort of those attending services.

Last Sunday was another red letter day for the church goes in Bellefonte. Evangelists Weaver, Wharton and Weeden had services all day at the tabernacle. Organist Goodman of the Episcopal church had an unusually good program for his farewell recital. Rev. Russel H. Conwell, of Philadelphia, who preached the baccalaureate sermon at State College, on Sunday morning, came down with General Beaver in the afternoon and gave one of his excellent talks in the Presbyterian church in the evening. He has been here several times to lecture and evidently is appreciated for the church was like unto his Baptist Temple on Broad street is—there you have to go an hour before the service if you wish a seat or even standing room. His sermon was much like his lectures, a series of interesting and impressive stories eloquently told in beautiful language.

The Phillipsburg post-office contest still hangs fire at Washington, and a Republican postmaster draws the salary, that was due and should have been paid to his Democratic successor since the 15th, of May. Why the delay in making the appointment neither we nor the people directly interested understand. The fight over the position is not a bitter one, the candidates are all reputable men, and have long since filed all the necessary papers, and it does seem that out of the number, an acceptable official could be found, without the long wait and unpleasant delay that is occurring. On Tuesday evening of this week W. C. Heine Esq., of this place, accompanied Mr. Walton, one of the applicants for appointment, to Washington. Their appearance before the Postmaster General may possibly have some effect in hurrying up a decision, and settling this matter over which Phillipsburg people have been more or less interested for months back.

DEATH OF MISS ADAMS.—For some weeks Miss Mary Adams, who is well known here, has been lying seriously ill with typhoid fever at a hospital in Youngstown, O., where she has been living for five or six years. Wednesday a telegram from Asher, her only brother, who had been with her for ten days announced the sad news of her death. The only daughter of J. H. Adams, of this place, she was one of the noblest and most self sacrificing women we have ever known. Her entire life was spent in working and thinking for others and no doubt she was more than willing to lay down the burdens of this life. She was about thirty-five years of age and was a consistent member of the Baptist church.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphans' court clerk, G. W. Rumberger, during the past week. Willis F. Bierly and Lottie Weber, both of Rebersburg. Thomas Burns, of Tyrone, and Laura C. Murry, of Julian. B. A. Noll and Emma L. Garbrick, both of Zion. Calvin R. Snyder and Lizzie Shulzy, both of Penn Hall. Lloyd P. Auman, of Millheim, and Carrie B. Miller, of Madisonburg. James W. Bortoff, of Eagleville, and Maud Salb, of Mackeyville. Theodore B. Lipton, of Renovo, and Myrtle E. Austin, of Milesburg. Edward D. Tyson and Anna M. Ewing, both of State College. R. B. Fry and Blanche Hepburn, both of Bellefonte.

COUNCIL MEETING.—Monday night was the regular meeting of the town council. The borough law-makers present were Messrs Brockerhoff, Keller, Valentine, Williams and Gerberich. Reports from committees, showing that the grading of Reynolds avenue had been finished; that Thomas street had been partially cleaned and broken stone put down; that the Howard street crossing at Allegheny had been completed and some other minor improvements made by the Street committee; that the water pipes on Reynolds avenue were being lowered, and that the lock-up had been scrubbed and white-washed, was about all the information, the town officials had for the public. A proposition to pass an ordinance prohibiting bicycle-riding on the pavements and without bells was made but no action was taken on it. New composite crossings were ordered to be laid, one across Allegheny street between Parish's and Achenbach's the other across Spring street, between the properties of Daniel Garman and the T. R. Reynolds estate. The council adjourned until further action after approving the following bills.

Water pay roll.....\$ 49 75  
Street pay roll..... 121 53  
John Noll..... 47 67  
Police pay roll..... 35 00  
Thomas Shaughteny..... 15 00  
Borough Auditors..... 1 00  
J. Thomas Mitchell..... 29 00  
T. H. Harter..... 23 25

THE MAD DOG SCARE.—Some of our correspondents, anxious for "takes," heard of the shooting of a poor tramp dog over at John McCoy's, near Potter's Mills, and immediately trumped up a column of the most sensational stuff about the whole neighborhood having hydrophobia. A forlorn old dog did appear at Mr. McCoy's about eight weeks ago and it was shot because it was not wanted; then a cow died last week and, as usual, was skinned before burial and these comprise the only facts of the wonderful tale that we could get verified.

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—Milton W. Bohn, one of the prospering business men of Norfolk, Va., was in town Monday for a few hours on his way to State College, where he was one of the instructors for some years. He is just as genial and good-natured as ever but not so standoe looking. Mrs. Bohn and the children are in Altoona, where they will spend the summer at her old home.

—Among the many distinguished guests at The Pennsylvania State College Commencement was Prof. C. Alfred Smith, secretary and treasurer of McIntosh and battery optical Co., Chicago, who was professor of chemistry at the College during the presidency of Dr. Pugh, a time of hard work and discouragements, but when were outlined the plans from which have been developed the college of to-day, ranking, as it does, with the best in the land. He was president of the Alumni during the past year and his address upon retiring from the office was one of the best and most enjoyable of this commencement.

## Maine Democrats for Free Silver.

BANGOR, Maine, June 16.—At the Fourth Congressional district Democratic convention to-day Ara Warren, of Bangor, and Richard W. Sawyer, of Calais, were elected delegates to the national convention at Chicago. Alternates, Dr. C. Gilmore Walls and James H. Gray, of Lubec. For representative in Congress, A. J. Chase, of Sibley, was nominated. The convention voted down a resolution declaring for the gold standard, and adopted a silver free coinage resolution.

## Pine Grove Mention.

Grandmother Lutz, of Bellefonte, has been the guest of her son-in-law Fred Myers, for the past week.

Mrs. B. F. Stover accompanied by her interesting little family are visitors at the home of Mrs. Smith, on Water street.

Mrs. Wm. Sausserman with several of her little ones are welcome guests at the old parental home of Father Hamner, on Main St.

Mrs. Harriet Stover widow of the late Johnathan Stover, of Altoona, is also here visiting among friends quite brisk for one of her years.

Miss Blanche Hepburn, of Bellefonte, and Robert Barron Fry were married on Wednesday, the 17th. The WATCHMAN extends congratulations.

Misses Sadie and Effie Markel, after spending a pleasant week among old acquaintances, started for their Tyrone home on Wednesday of this week.

Sheriff Condo transacted official business in this end of the county the beginning of the week. His social visits are much more preferable than his official ones.

Candidates have not yet forsaken us. In the last few days Messrs. Fisher, of Milesburg, and Stover, of Bellefonte, were here soliciting the delegation from Ferguson.

Rev. D. V. Brouse and family are sojourners at the cozy home of Mrs. Murphy, on Water street. They are looking the picture of health and are being royally entertained.