

SOUND-MONEY RESOLUTIONS.

THE PLATFORM ADOPTED BY THE MEMPHIS CONVENTION.

MEMPHIS, TENN., May 23.

When the evening session of the Sound Money Convention opened at 8.30, Judge Rose, of Arkansas, chairman of the committee, submitted the following platform resolutions:

The people of the Southern States believe the maintenance of a sound and stable currency to be essential to the prosperity of the whole country and the welfare of the people in all the vocations of life, do, through their representatives in convention assembled at Memphis, on May 23, 1895, make the following declaration of their matured convictions:

1. Believing a uniform and certain standard of value necessary to the agricultural, commercial and industrial development and prosperity of our common country, we favor the maintenance of all our money, whether gold, silver or paper, on a parity, to the end that each dollar, whatever may be its composition, shall have equal purchasing and debt-paying power with every other dollar.

2. Profiting by the experience of Washington, Jefferson and Hamilton and the teachings of the great students of monetary science from the time when John Locke wrote, to the discussion of the present day, we accept the truth of the principle, now universally recognized and applied in the commercial world, that the bimetallic standard cannot be maintained where the ratio fixed by law for the free coinage of gold and silver does not correspond with the market ratio of the two metals; and that wherever and whenever the legal or coinage ratio varies from the market or commercial ratio to any appreciable extent the dollar, whether of gold or silver (which thereby becomes more valuable as bullion than as money), will go to a premium and retire from circulation. We saw this principle applied in our own national experience, when under the act of 1792, which fixed the coinage ratio at 15 to 1, gold retired from circulation because of a slight decline in the price of silver in the open market, whereby the bullion in a gold dollar became worth a few cents more than the bullion in a silver dollar, and was therefore sold as a commodity because it was worth more as bullion than as money, and again under the act of 1834, which fixed the ratio at 16 to 1, when the silver coin retired for a like reason. We are, therefore, opposed to the free, unlimited and independent coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 when the market or commercial ratio is more than 30 to 1, and the difference between the bullion value of a gold and a silver dollar is about 50 cents, on the ground that such action, instead of restoring the bimetallic standard, would inevitably result in silver monometallism.

3. At this time there is no country in the world which maintains the bimetallic standard, and neither is there any country where the free coinage of silver obtains which is not on a silver basis. Each country on account of its inability to adopt independently any bimetallic standard must elect for itself which it prefers, the gold or the silver standard. We, therefore, favor, in the absence of international cooperation, the retention and maintenance of the existing gold standard, because a change from the gold to the silver standard would have the effect to repudiate all public and private obligations to the extent of the difference between the bullion value of the gold and silver dollars; because whenever such change should be seriously threatened it would cause an immediate attempt at a collection and liquidation of all debts in anticipation of the result it would produce; because such transition from the gold to the silver basis would destroy public and private confidence and would involve the country in such panic, confusion and distress that the products of agriculture and the wages of labor would be unremunerative; the business of commerce would become unprofitable and our people engaged in industrial occupations would be thrown out of employment; because there is not a progressive and enlightened country in the world which has not elected gold as the preferable standard; because gold-standard countries retain silver in their circulation on a parity with gold, whereas there is no silver-standard country which does or can utilize gold as money, because there is not a silver country on the globe where the wages of labor are sufficient to sustain the working classes in comfort and independence; and finally because the high destiny of the United States demand for the use of the American people that money which experience has taught mankind to be the best suited for the promotion of commerce, the development of manufacturing, the encouragement of labor and the advancement of civilization.

4.—We would rejoice over the adoption of real bimetalism, but, in view of the continued fluctuations of the price of silver in the open market, we realize that it is impossible for the United States independent to adopt a bimetallic standard, and we deem it unwise and hazardous to the best interests of its people for this country to attempt its establishment. We favor the policy of this country standing in the attitude

of readiness at all times to co-operate with the other Powers in any effort they may inaugurate looking to the adoption of true bimetalism; but in the meantime, and until successful cooperation is insured, to maintain inviolate its existing standard of value.

5. We favor the retention at part of our money of the silver now coined, and, in order to give a wider field for the use of silver, we favor the funding of all money other than silver and silver certificates before the denomination of ten dollars into higher denominations, so as to make our entire circulation, below the denomination of ten dollars, either silver or silver certificates; and to this end, the Secretary of the Treasury should be authorized by law to coin from time to time, as the people may require them, silver dollars until the demands of commerce for money be below the denomination of ten dollars is at all times satisfied.

6. We realize that our national banking system was adopted during a time of war and that it is not adapted to existing conditions. We, therefore, favor such legislation as will secure to the people a system of banking surrounded by such safeguards as will at all times furnish them a safe, elastic, sufficient currency for the transaction of their business.

7. We cannot too highly commend the unflinching courage and sturdy patriotism of President Cleveland in his efforts to protect the national honor and to maintain the public credit during a period of great financial distress and under conditions which threatened danger to both. We congratulate him and the entire country on the evidences of returning prosperity.

The resolutions were read with deliberation and intently followed by the convention, and each was applauded until the reference to President Cleveland was reached. Then there was a succession of cheers and a Mississippi delegate yelled: "Read it again." The demand was complied with, and there was more enthusiasm.

When the vote was taken the resolutions were adopted without discussion and with a shout. Not a voice was heard in the negative. Then resolutions were adopted giving hearty indorsement to the work of the reform committee on sound money of New York, and also urging the formation of sound money leagues and clubs throughout the South, and, after a farewell address from Congressman Patterson, the convention adjourned sine die.

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ALL THE BILLS KILLED—THREE IN THE HOUSE, ONE IN THE SENATE.

The Legislature defeated all of the apportionment bills. In the House the Congressional, Senatorial and Legislative bills were remorselessly slaughtered, and the Senate took up the knife and killed the judicial bill. There was great surprise expressed over this action of the two bodies. Last week the House by an overwhelming vote expressed its desire to reapportion the State, and the great change of sentiment will surely have to be explained to their constituents when the legislators return home.

Among those who profess to know it is said that the control of the delegates from Philadelphia to the National Republican Convention is at the bottom of the whole matter. They say that under the present apportionment Senator Quay will control a part of the delegates, but under the measures defeated he would have absolutely no control in Philadelphia. It was also asserted by the political "knowalls" that the lining up in the House against these bills was for the purpose of showing the strength of the Quay-Penrose following in that body.

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Calamity Howlers to the Rear.

The mission of the calamity howlers is about ended. He has had a free field during the last two years. From causes entirely beyond the control of the present administration there was serious financial and industrial revulsion, and he has contributed largely to the general distress of the people. The partisan howler who has spoken through the columns of nearly every partisan organ, has systematically and persistently played upon public distrust, and greatly aggravated the sorrows which fell upon the people, not only of this country but of every civilized country of the world, because of the general industrial depression.

The United States was the last to feel the general revulsion in industry and trade that prevailed throughout other countries, and it is the first to recover from the blow. Our vast and varied resources with the wonderful adaptability of our people, have hastened the return of prosperity; and to-day nearly every leading industry of the land has restored the reduced wages of panic times, and industry is vastly better rewarded than it was under the monopoly McKinley tariff that taxed the necessities of life without increasing the pay of workmen.

The fact that Mr. Dolan and Mr. Disston of this city, the two leading manufacturers in their respective lines, have each restored wages to the highest point paid under the McKinley bill, is conclusive evidence that it was not the tariff that paralyzed business and compelled reduced pay for labor. Each of them contributed liberally to secure the McKinley tariff, and again contributed liberally to maintain it, but to-day they confess that the tariff has not affected wages, by restoring to their labor the full wages paid under the McKinley tariff.

The general depression that prevailed during the last two years was the result of causes which are gradually becoming understood. Our financial complications were the origin of the trouble, and every financial measure that aided in producing the financial revulsion was enacted under the political authority that turned into organized calamity howlers when it was defeated in 1892. Every depression of industry and trade was imputed to the prospective repeal of the McKinley tariff, and now with the best tariff the country has ever had since the war, the calamity howlers are compelled to confess its wisdom and restore wages to labor.

Under the McKinley bill there was not a single industrial establishment that we can recall whose labor received increased wages, while hundreds of employers reduced the wages of labor under that tariff. To-day signs of prosperity are visible on every side; general confidence in finance, industry and trade is rapidly being restored, and before another year shall have passed, Philadelphia industries will be more prosperous than they have ever been since the war, unless there shall be fresh disturbance by the destruction of national credit and the success of the free silver craze.

One of the grandest results of the overthrow of the calamity howler in industrial and trade circles is in the fact that as prosperity is diffused amongst the people the free silver fanatics will be speedily lessened in number, and made utterly impotent if one year of prosperity can be attained. The calamity howler has been sent to the rear; the free silver demagogues must follow, and in a little time we shall have established honest money, absolute credit and general prosperity.—Times.

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THE BIBLE IN THE SCHOOLS.

AN EFFORT MADE TO HAVE THE READING OF IT DISCONTINUED—THE CASE IN THE COURTS.

SCRANTON, Pa., May 23. The Waverly borough school case, in which George E. Stevenson, Andrew Mahoney and D. L. Stone seek to prevent the reading of the Bible in the public schools, occupied the entire day in Equity Court here to-day. After all the morning had been consumed in the introduction of testimony, it was agreed that the fact that the Bible was read in the school was undisputed, and that the case should be disposed of upon the arguments.

The attorneys engaged in the case are among the most talented of the Lackawanna county bar. Ex-District Attorney John P. Kelly and Edward C. Newcomb appear for the plaintiff, and H. M. Hannah, A. D. Dean and Hulslander and Vosburg for the School Board. Only two arguments were heard to-day, both for the School Board. Attorneys A. A. Vosburg and H. M. Hannah contended that the Bible was not a sectarian book; that this case was practically decided in Maine, Illinois, Iowa, Ohio and Massachusetts, where the Bible was said to be not sectarian and that Christianity having been declared a part of the common law of Pennsylvania by the Supreme Court, then the Bible is also a part of the common law, as it is the base upon which Christianity rests.

Mr. Hannah argued that the fact that the Bible had been read in the public schools of this State for two hundred years without opposition was a part of the history of the State and if it was opposed to the law and the Constitution he thought it peculiar that it had not been stopped by the able lawyers of the State within that time.

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GROW COUNTY FAILS FOR WANT OF THE 400 SQUARE MILES.

The Grow county commissioners, Messrs. Harvey, Wheelock and Snyder, filed their report with the Secretary of Internal Affairs Monday afternoon. The report shows that the proposed county would have 381 square miles on a limit of ten miles from the court house and 323 miles taking the city limits of Wilkes Barre as the starting point. The Luzerne County Commissioners filed an objection to the survey beginning at the court house and the attorney general gave a decision that the county seat meant the place in which the court house is located and not the court house itself. Grow county fails therefore for want of territory, being 19 miles short on one survey and 77 on the other. The expenses of the commissioners will not exceed \$3,000 which are paid by the State.

The existing maps upon which an estimate of the area was made were proven entirely unreliable. In two townships on the East side, Dorrance and Dennison, thirty four square miles were lost to the new county, the actual survey showing these townships to be that much closer the county seat than they are marked on the map.

Not a few believe there is an African concealed somewhere in the wood pile and declare they will turn in and help the Quay county boomers get their county. What more sober thought will develop time will tell.—Echo.

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