

Democratic Ticket. For President, WILLIAM J. BRYAN, of Nebraska. For Vice President, ARTHUR J. SEWALL, of Maine.

It is believed that two men were killed by the falling of the big Columbia bridge over the Susquehanna River, which entails a loss of a quarter of a million dollars.

It is said that Japan has lost more of her citizens by tidal waves, earthquakes and fires during the past three or four months than she did in her great war with China.

A DISPATCH from Springfield, Ill. says Chairman Taubeneck of the people's party state central committee, has received the resignation of the candidates of that party for congress and legislature in the territory composing the Eighteenth, Nineteenth and Twentieth districts.

THE executive committee of the national Democratic party held a meeting at Chicago on Friday afternoon at which much important campaign work was accomplished.

HAVE you heard any gold bug give a good reason why silver was demonetized in 1873? The silver dollar was not 'debased' money then. It was worth \$1.03, being more valuable than the gold dollar.

SENATOR JOHN SHERMAN is engaged in a desperate undertaking. In recent speeches he has been striving to create the impression that the demonetization of silver in 1873 was not accomplished by deception and fraud.

WILLIAM J. BRYAN, who was in Cincinnati, Friday, gave out the following signed statement concerning the election.

"I have no doubt of my election. I base my confidence upon the fact that the free coinage sentiment is growing every day. The people are studying the money question, and the study of it is convincing the people generally that there can be no permanent prosperity so long as the gold standard is maintained.

"The gold standard makes a dearer dollar. A dearer dollar means falling prices, and falling prices mean hard times. The people who profit by hard times are relatively so few in number that they would amount to nothing at all but for the fact that they are aided by a considerable number of people, who, not having studied the money question themselves, have received instructions from a few financiers.

"While I have no doubt as to my election, I believe that the advocate of free coinage should work from now to election day to make the majority in the electoral college so large that no party hereafter will ever dare to propose submission to the foreign financial policy.

If business men, says the New York Journal, would not take the assertion of others for it that the gold standard is good for them, but were themselves to study the money question, we should hear incalculably less about the enthusiasm of the "business community" hereabout for McKinley.

The interest of the mercantile and manufacturing class, the large and small storekeepers, and all business men who are not legged in the trusts, is not with the very rich, the value of whose accumulations is enhanced by the appreciating dollar of the gold standard; their interest is linked with that of the farmer, the mechanic, the laborer, the clerk and the professional man.

Remonetization would bring silver up to the mint ratio of 16 to 1. The law of supply and demand would insure that. The talk about a flood of silver being dumped on us by the rest of the world is sheer nonsense. Suppose silver did come here. Before it could be used it would have to be turned into dollars, and these dollars necessarily be spent in the purchase of goods.

Has the gold standard produced effects so gratifying that sensible business men should vote to maintain it? What promise of good times is there in it?

One of the terrors which the near future holds for the gentlemen who carry their entire stock of patriotism in their individual pockets is that in the event of Bryan's election and the inauguration of free coinage gold may go to a premium over silver.

Why this should frighten the single standard advocates is not clear to anybody who has eyes to see the condition of the United States at this time. As gold has gone up in purchasing power, everything else, necessarily, has gone down in price. The value of property, in fact, has been cut in two within the past two years.

The demonetization of silver will have the double effect of sending the price of silver up and bringing the price of gold down, until the old relation in value between the two metals is restored. It is the honest hundred-cent dollar of bimetalism that the money cornerers are afraid of, not the "fifty-three cent dollar" of the bogus prophets.

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Neither King or any of the Chaffins have been seen since September 21. On that date King was seen driving away in a wagon in company with Mrs. Chaffin. As they did not return, and nothing was seen of the other members of the family the neighbors began an investigation. When the house in which the Chaffins had lived had been opened, blood was found spattered all over the floor, and there were evidences of a terrible butchery having been committed, but no bodies were found.

New York, October 2.—The steamer Andes, which arrived at New York from Jamaica ports, brings news of the great fire which destroyed two-thirds of the town of Jacmel on September 13, 20, and 21. The fire originated on the hill near the cathedral and completely destroyed that edifice.

The senior member of the largest wholesale grocery house in America Mr. H. K. Thurber, of New York, has left the Republican party and come out for Bryan. He says that if the Democratic nominee goes to the Harlem river with 20,000 he will be elected. The usual figures are from 40,000, to 60,000, but Mr. Thurber says the signs of the times unmistakably point to the election of Bryan, and that too by the aid of the electoral vote of New York. What will Grover Cleveland and his goldbug cabinet say to that?

Washington Letter.

Washington, October 2nd, 1896.—Mr. Bryan's supporters find nothing discouraging in the situation. On the contrary, they have excellent reasons for believing that Mr. Bryan's chances for election are better than those of Mr. McKinley. These reasons are not entirely based upon reports made to the press by Bryan's conservative friends.

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There has recently been added to the exhibits in Mechanical Hall a complete set of tools of iron and steel, and native products of the Southern States, which are in such abundant variety, and so tastefully displayed, that it excites general admiration.

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