



## FOR FREE SILVER

### McKINLEY DECLARED FOR FREE SILVER IN 1890.

A Sensation Caused at a Meeting in Akron, by a Letter Read Which Was Written by Major McKinley.

During the meeting addressed by Senator Teller Tuesday evening at Akron, Ohio, a sensation was caused by a letter read by General E. B. Finley, of Bucyrus, which had been written by Major McKinley to E. S. Perkins, of Weymouth, Medina county, in the Fall of 1890. Mr. Perkins was at that time a representative in the Ohio legislature. He had written to Major McKinley regarding his position on the silver question. The Major's letter was in reply:

"Dear Sir—I have been so busy for the past three weeks that it has been impossible for me to give any attention to matters in the district, which fact, I believe, my friends will appreciate. I have been waiting for a moment's time that I might answer two or three letters heretofore received from gentlemen in Medina county in relation to my position on the silver and other questions.

"I have always been in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of the silver product of the United States, and have so voted on at least two occasions during the time I have been in public life. I was not willing to extend this coinage to the silver of the world and open our mints to foreign countries without charge as proposed by gentlemen on the floor of the house. My purpose was to secure immediate legislation that would credit and dignify our silver coin.

"I believe the law which we enacted this session will accomplish that result. It utilizes every dollar's worth of the silver product of the United States and even more. The value of that legislation has already been apparent in the enhanced value given to silver.

"You may remember, as indicating my position on this subject, that I voted to pass the silver bill in the Forty-fifth and Forty-sixth congresses over the veto of President Hayes. I shall be very glad to write you at any time upon any subject you may wish to be informed upon. With me political and economic questions are a conviction, and while I may not always be right, I am always willing to let those whose suffrage I seek know exactly where they are. Very truly,  
"William McKinley, Jr."

### Going Button Crazy.

The rage of buttons is getting to be ridiculous. The campaign button has given place to some of the most absurd monstrosities that were ever fastened to the lapel of a coat. It is not calculated to increase a man's good humor to see staring him in the face after he has made a statement a button with the words, "I'm somewhat of a liar myself," and he looks silly when reads on another button that he shall "Get off the earth, your time is up." There are buttons which say "If you love me grin," and "Let's get married," and "Are you handing out kisses now?" And every day the variety increases.

### Quite a Difference Now.

It seems pretty hard for the farmer who has the products of his labor to sell to have to take the low prices that prevail, but the man who is about to begin farming can stock his property for one-third what it would have cost him a few years ago. It was a very ordinary farm horse that could have been bought for \$100 five or six years ago. Now two very fair ones can be bought for that amount. It is just the same with other stock, except, perhaps, cows are not down quite so much.

### A Big Crop.

The apple crop in the valley is very large and it will run up into the thousands of bushels. To top it off, too, there is very little demand for the fruit and the big crop is apparently general. A great deal of cider will be made but a big part of the crop will be allowed to rot on the ground, it hardly paying to pick them. The trees are heavily laden and nearly broken down with apples. Some claim that apples are not good for stock while others think different. Anyhow the valley has apples to burn, so to say.

### They Resigned.

The Clearfield Republican says since the ruling made by Judge Gordon that constables are not allowed pay for making their returns to court, we understand some of the constables have sent in their resignations and will refuse to serve. The ruling of the court is in line with the Act of Assembly passed by the last legislature.

—Wanted—5,000 bushels potatoes at once; highest market price paid.—WOLF & CRAWFORD.

## WHERE THE REPUBLICANS STOOD IN 1877.

### Opposed the Gold Standard and Demanded the Demonetization of Silver.

This is what the Republicans of this state had in their platform adopted at Harrisburg, September 5, 1877:

"Resolved, That the long and successful existence, under the laws of congress, of the gold and silver standard, warrants us in demanding the early repeal of the Legislation which demonetized silver and established an almost exclusive gold standard; and we therefore favor a return of the free and unrestricted coinage of the dollar of 1798 and its restoration to the position it has held as legal tender during the 80 years of our national existence, thus preserving the equality of the commercial value of the silver dollar with the gold dollar, keeping both in circulation."

### Bryan Will Get There.

Accounts from all parts of the country indicate the election of Bryan; the turn-out wherever he speaks is simply astonishing and beyond anything of the kind ever before known.

H. W. Reed, chairman of the national finance committee of the People's party, says that unity of all the reform forces will unquestionably give Mr. Bryan the solid South and West and several other States, thus insuring his election.

Even Massachusetts has gone wild over Bryan. Fifteen thousand people at Springfield, twenty thousand at Worcester and seventy thousand on Boston common, a veritable ocean of faces. Not only that, but 15,000 came down to the train to meet him at Boston. As many more were packed two squares deep in front of the American house, where he dined, and had Music hall held twice the capacity of Madison Square garden, there would have been no standing room left.

### POLITICAL NOTES.

Only five weeks yet until the election, November 3rd.

Bryan still draws large crowds at all places where he speaks; even the Republicans admit there never were such large gatherings.

This county will give the Democratic ticket 800 majority, and Spangler will carry the district for congress by upwards of 4000 majority.

Don't overlook the importance of electing free silver men to congress. Spangler is your man in this district. Arnold stands for the trusts, monopolies and banks.

Arnold is for high tariff that robs the consumers. Spangler is for a revenue tariff that will lighten the burdens of the farmers and workmen.

Arnold does not at possess the ability to represent the great and varied interests of this district in congress. Col. Spangler is far his superior in every respect.

Soldiers, vote for Col. Spangler he has always stood up for your interests, and in him you will have a friend in congress.

### Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been granted the past week:

- Orlando Lowery, and Bella Smith, both of Spring twp.
- W. Stewart Jones, Port Matilda, and Emma Tippey, Patton twp.
- John M. Bauer and Bertha M. Derr, Bellefonte.
- Wm. Stanley and Della Crane, Milesburg.
- Michael Howard and Mary Brown, Bellefonte.
- Cyrus C. Huey, Benner twp., and Sophia E. Crust, Patton twp.

### The Potter Burns Cases Settled.

Last week, says the Middleburg Post, attorney Grimm effected arrangements for an interview between the officers of the Pennsylvania railroad company and A. W. Potter and S. P. and Mollie Burns with a view to adjust the damages claimed by the latter on account of injuries received in the Kreamer accident in 1895. The plaintiffs in the two suits went to Philadelphia last week. The company paid Mr. Potter \$14,000 and the case was settled. The company offered \$4,000 for a release from Mollie Burns and her father but the same was refused, later the case was settled.

### They Hastened In.

Tax collector Frank Arney has had a busy time of it the last couple days receiving taxes. Wednesday was the last day in which the 5 per cent abatement could be received and there was a hustle about his place. Frank has been laid up with the grip for several days and had Arney Lee doing the work for him. A big grumble went up from every one at the increase this year. Our citizens pay about one-third more than last year, and there is reason for a growl.

### Politics in Brush Valley.

The silver bugs in Brush valley are rapidly converting the few remaining gold bugs. Both Democratic meetings held in the valley last Saturday evening were grand successes. The meeting at Madisonburg was addressed by Harry Walker and Calvin Meyer, both of Bellefonte, who spoke to many people and scored the usual Hanna-McKinley points in rapid succession amid great applause. Misses Grace Miller, Rilla Morris, Bertie Stoner, Winifred Wolf, Alma Gramley, and Mrs. Mary Frank rendered exquisite violin, mandolin and guitar music which was highly appreciated. This is an entirely new feature in political meetings. The meeting at Brungart's was the greatest ever held at that place and was addressed by Calvin Bower, of Bellefonte. Several bolters were converted at this meeting. Every person is intensely interested in the money question and attends these silver meetings regardless of political creed. Our county will elect its Democratic candidates by a handsome majority.

### The Big Storm.

On Tuesday night a big storm swept over the country and left desolation and death in its path. In the south the storm was especially severe and in the city of Savannah a million dollars worth of property was destroyed and seven lives were lost.

In Washington many buildings were blown down and several people severely injured by the cyclone.

In Pennsylvania the storm was especially severe.

At Columbia the great bridge across the Susquehanna river, used by the Frederick division of the Pennsylvania railroad, and also as a public wagon road, was blown from the piers. The loss will be very heavy. It was one of the longest bridges in the United States, being about a mile and a quarter long.

The Pennsylvania Railroad suffered heavily in the Juniata valley. Traffic on the Middle division, between Tyrone and Harrisburg was suspended, and trains went around by way of Lock Haven. Five miles east of Huntingdon the railroad tracks were washed out by a heavy flood. At Saxton and Riddlesburg, Bedford county, about twenty houses were washed away by the swollen streams. No lives are reported lost.

From all parts of the state reports are coming in of the work of the storm and the loss of buildings, etc., will run into the millions.

### ON A BIG DRUNK.

### A Barnyard Full of Pigs and Fowls Eat Rye Malt and Have Fun.

About a month ago a farmer in Clinton county, about fifteen miles from Lock Haven, put a lot of rye in a barrel of cider to strengthen and preserve the liquid for future use, and in due time separated the rye from the cider, throwing the latter out where the pigs and chickens about the place ate freely of the cast off material which sent them reeling about the barnyard.

A little five-year-old boy belonging to the family noticing the pigs and chickens playing their interesting capers, thought he would extend the sport to a lot of ducks that were in the neighborhood, and he proceeded to drive them to the pile of rye, of which they partook freely. Soon the ducks in turn got top heavy, but managed to walk and tumble to a pond in the vicinity where they attempted to float and swim about in their usual way, but all they could do their heads would drop while their heels would fly up, and in this perpendicular position they would remain for many minutes before being able to regain their equilibrium, and as quickly as they would succeed in getting into a sitting posture on the surface of the water down would go their heads again.

They continued until they were nearly exhausted and a number of adults of the family had been attracted to the pond, who with long poles, succeeded in gathering the intoxicated fowls to the shore. While the pigs and fowls remained drunk pandemonium reigned about the barnyard, making things lively for the folks, who in spite of their fear that at least some of their stock might die, they couldn't help being amused at the capers of the pigs, chickens and ducks. None of them died.

### One Way to be Happy.

Is to attend to the comfort of your family. Should one catch a slight cold or cough, call on R. E. Bartholomew, Centre Hall, and G. H. Long, Spring Mills, and get a trial bottle of Otto's Cure, the great German Remedy free. We give it away to prove that we have a sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Constipation, and all diseases of the throat and Lungs. Large sizes 50c. and 25c.

—The Philadelphia Branch leads in common sense clothing at common sense prices—hard time prices. They look for only a fair profit there. In many of the goods they sell they don't get any.

## THE SOUTH SOLID

### NO FUSION OF GOLD DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS.

### The South Will Vote Solidly for Bryan and Free Silver.—The Corporations Contributing Heavily For McKinley.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—A straight bluff is what the announcement that the McKinleyites had fused with the gold Democrats for the purpose of making a raid upon the South is regarded to be, and it is not receiving the serious attention of anybody interested in the management of the campaign of Mr. Bryan. It is not believed that the gold Democrats can poll enough votes in any Southern state to affect the result, and it has been known from the first that the entire movement was solely in the interest of McKinley; therefore the announcement that fusion between the Republicans and the gold Democrats in some of the Southern states had been agreed upon has not caused a ripple in Bryan ranks. It is confidently expected that the South will again be solid this year. There was some doubt about Kentucky and Maryland a short time ago, but the fusion between the Democrats and Populists in Kentucky is regarded as having made that state sure for Bryan, and the assurances of Senator Gorman that Maryland will go Democratic have removed all fears for that state. If the McKinleyite's wish to spend some of Hanna's enormous campaign fund in the South, they will have no difficulty in finding men who will exchange the most glittering promises for it, but Mr. Bryan has more chance to get electoral votes in New England than McKinley has to get them in the South.

Notwithstanding the efforts of the railroads to lessen the attendance at the Convention of Democratic Clubs to be held at St. Louis, by refusing to give a lower rate for tickets than a one and one-third fare for the round trip, the convention promises to be a big success. Among those who will address the convention are Mr. Bryan, Mr. Sewall and Vice President Stevenson. That the railroads intended to discriminate against the Democrats is shown by their having sold round trip tickets to all the other National Conventions for one fare.

Some amusement has been caused in political circles by the report that President Cleveland had been informed that Gen. Fitz Lee would be in great danger from the yellow fever if he remained in Cuba during the next five or six weeks. Everybody understands that if Mr. Cleveland had any such information it was given him by the gold Democrats of Virginia who hope to be able to stem the Bryan and free silver tide which is sweeping over that state by the influence which might be exercised by the personal presence on the stump against Bryan of Fitz Lee. It is well known that Fitz Lee would much rather face the danger of yellow fever in Cuba, than to take any part on the gold side of the present campaign in Virginia, and interest is expressed as to how he would receive a hint from President Cleveland that he ought to come home and take the stump. It will not make the slightest difference either way. The Republicans are virtually acknowledging themselves beaten in Virginia by claiming that their meetings are being broken up and their speakers intimidated. Neither parties nor individuals ever gain anything by pleading the baby act.

A prominent Cleveland, Ohio, newspaper man now in Washington said: "Ohio can fairly be classed as a doubtful state. In every nook and corner of it there is the strongest sort of sentiment for free silver, and the feeling shows no sign of weakening. Coercion and intimidation will be used to drive the wage earners to McKinley's support, but a good many of them, while apparently submitting to the dictation of their bosses, secretly resent the attempt to control their suffrage, and will vote for Bryan. With hands off and every man left to vote as he will, McKinley would not carry Ohio."

Ex-Representative Barnes, of Ga., said: "The next delegation from Ga. in the House of Representatives will not only be solidly Democratic, but solidly in favor of free silver. Messrs. Turner, Lawson and Russell of the present delegation, who are against free coinage, will each be succeeded by a pronounced silver man."

The news which Hon. F. E. Belzhoover brings from Pa. gives a reason for the Republican claims of such an enormous majority in that state. He said: "It is no secret that intimidation is being practiced in Pa. For the first time in my experience, the railroads, mines, mills, and even the banks have gone into the business of intimidating their employes and scaring their customers. Men are made to

join McKinley Clubs and they are threatened with discharge should they openly support the Democratic ticket. In addition to this bulldozing, false statements are circulated as to the alleged ruinous effects of free coinage. They are told that if Bryan is elected they will lose their job or have their wages cut down. However, while some of the laboring men may be deceived, they have too much manliness to be intimidated, and they will, I believe, vote their sentiments."

### Short Locals of Interest.

The chestnut crop in this county will be under the average.

The rain from Tuesday to Wednesday morning has raised the waters.

This is a bad week for the Lewisburg fair. We are told the fair was postponed.

The Philadelphia Repubs have a bad split on sheriff and have two candidates in the field.

Two of Farmers' Mills aged and widowed mothers, Mrs. John Rishel and Mrs. Hagan, are seriously ill.

Farmers are asking \$2 per barrel for cider with 3 to 4 bushels of apples for butter boiling.

Wheat has gone up about 10 cents in the markets; rumors of war in Europe have caused the rise.

Democrats, bear in mind you never had a better county ticket than now. From congress down all are men of excellent repute and fitness.

The excursion of Centre county Repubs to see McKinley cost \$1000 fare; for one fourth of that they could have gone to Jersey Shore to see "honest" John Bardsley.

The man who is running against Rumberger for register had better get off the track. Everybody will vote for Rumberger, because never a more obliging and competent man filled the place.

Bob Ingersoll the atheist, will take the stump for McKinley next week. Herr Most, the bloody anarchist, took to talking for McKinley two months ago. Bryan scored the anarchists and that's the reason Most hates him.

Calvin Royer, a Nittany valley farmer, was kicked by a horse Sunday morning and had one of his arms fractured at the elbow. Mr. Royer was taking his horses from the pasture field when the accident occurred.

Pardoned thief Bardsley is getting along nicely over near Jersey Shore; don't look like near dying. The Seven mountains would afford healthy seclusion, but we guess honest Pat Garrity wouldn't tolerate such subjects within his realm.

We are told Centre Hall has been bonded for some \$1400 dollars, adding the tax duplicate of some \$500 would make a sum of near \$2000 principally for road improvement. The interest on bonds, only due a year hence, is now being collected without law for it. If bonds are issued they can only be for present indebtedness, and not for what may be done in the uncertain future and taxpayers can not be made pay for it. If, as a number of citizens say, the above amount of bonds has been, or will be issued, it would leave a surplus of some \$800 or \$1000 dollars, for something not done or which may not be done, as this or a future council may change its mind. If the bonds are not yet issued how can interest be collected when it would be due only a year after the bonds are given? Who would be handling this surplus money in big discounts all the while? Upon these reports we give our opinion in all kindness and as due the taxpayers, trusting our boro fathers will keep the right action in view and receive deserved commendation.

### Pay Your Taxes.

This is the time for every voter to see that his tax has been paid. Every voter must have paid a tax within two years, which must have been paid at least 30 days before the election. Saturday next, October 3d, is the last day.

If your children are subject to croup watch for the first symptom of the disease—hoarseness. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse it will prevent the attack. Even after the croupy cough has appeared the attack can always be prevented by giving this remedy. It is also invaluable for colds and whooping cough. For sale by Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills, S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville, and R. E. Bartholomew, Centre Hall.

—The Philadelphia Branch in Temple Court, Bellefonte, leads in all that pertains to gentlemen's attire. They have made a study of their customers' wants and know exactly how to please you in quality, style and price.

—Read what Lyon & Co. show in new Fall and Winter Clothing and Dry Goods. Some special bargains mentioned in their new advertisement this week.

### CURRENT TOPICS.

### Items of Interest Colled for the Hasty Readers.

Daniel Brungart, of Rebersburg, is slightly ill.

Our wheat fields have a fine and promising appearance. Pigs and shoats seem to be plenty with farmers this fall.

Peter F. Keller has moved into the Dinges store building.

The fall has been quite favorable for maturing the corn crop.

Begin now to make your cellars and hydrants secure against freezing.

The home goldbugs are not boasting of carrying Centre county.

Our farmers have so many apples they scarce know what to do with them.

John Kerstetter, one of Penn townships most aged citizens, is in frail health.

Our farmer readers will be glad to learn that wheat has gone up several cents of late.

Salona people are agitating for an electric light plant to light up their village.

Esq. L. M. Rishel advertises some valuable real estate at public sale in the Reporter.

Boob already finds the new engine he set up in the spring too small for his increased trade in wheels.

Cronister, our popular and handsome looking nominee for sheriff, is sure to win without trouble.

Streams in this section of the state are still low for want of prolonged rains in the past 15 months.

Any one wanting a nice home in Centre Hall and some good farm land near town, see adv. in Reporter.

Charley Weiser has returned and taken his old place at Boob's; all the ladies are glad over Charley's return.

Union county fair this week is now under headway and with favorable weather will draw a crowd from Centre county.

We acknowledge the receipt of the Biennial Report of the Penn'a Reform School, with "The Compliments of Hiram Grove."

Millheim's telephone system is now in good working order between Spring Mills, Coburn, Aronsburg, Madisonburg and Rebersburg.

The centre driveway of our main street has been raised with a bed of crushed limestone, a far better job than the excuse of four years ago.

Superintendent Gephart contemplates such improvements of Hecla Park as will make it one of the most delightful resorts in the state.

Even the Centre county Republicans don't care if Arnold is defeated for congress. They know Spangler is a safe man to elect and he will beat Arnold 16 to 1.

The new house put up by Colyer on lot across from Billy Runkle's is fast nearing completion and will be occupied by Poulson, of the new steam handle works.

Don't again put Curtin and Womelsdorf where they can vote away your money for new offices and higher salaries. Schofield and Foster are the candidates to vote for assembly.

Heckman and Meyers will come out with handsome majorities for commissioners; the tax payers know they can be relied on to work upon the methods of economy pursued by the present board.

Two and seventy seven one-hundredths (2.77) inches of rain from Tuesday morning to Wednesday morning, is a quantity that has not been equaled here in a like period for a number of years.

The constables of Armstrong county, (note it constables of Centre,) returned the road supervisors of seventeen townships for not having the roads in their districts in proper condition.

One of the goldites from our town, Andy Reesman, now on the Canton excursion, promised us he would ask McKinley why his speeches and votes previous to his nomination were all in favor of silver.

We are informed J. H. Reifsnnyder Esq., has purchased the farm near Millheim belonging to the D. A. Musser estate, and Pierce Musser, Esq., purchased a dwelling house near the mill premises of his father's estate.

Harris township some 30 years ago had such a sincere and intense temperance man that he ordered a large and thriving apple orchard on his farm to be chopped down so no more cider could be made from its apples to in toxicate drinkers.

### Train Late.

The morning passenger train from the east yesterday was about four hours late in arriving at Centre Hall. The delay was caused on the main line by the storm on Tuesday night.