# THAT TARIFF PLANK.

The Watterson-Vilas Spat at the Democratic Convention and

THE BEN BUTLER VOTE OF 1884.

Some of the Inwardness in the Light of Very Recent History.

GREAT YEAR FOR CYCLONES AND HENRI

### WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH. ]

The wordy wrangle at the Democratic Na tional Convention between Vilas and Watterson, touching the "inwardness" of the tamous tariff plank in the Democratic National platform of 1884, was, unfortunately for the public, dropped at the point where It was becoming very interesting. But the "outcropping" was sufficient to emphasize the differences that have existed for lo! these many years between the aggressive tariff reform element in the party repre-sented by Watterson and the timid votecatching element represented in a mild degree by the gentleman from Wisconsin. Watterson, above most men, bates political shams, and despises half way, "small beer" politics; has always insisted that the Democrats won when they openly proclaimed their principles and deserved to win, and lost when they paltered, and became "pol-icy" men and deserved to lose. In every campaign the Democratic Party every campaign the Democratic Party was charged by its opponents with being free traders, and while this was not exactly true, as no party in this country for obvious reasons can operate under tree trade conditions, yet the change was either dodged or faintly denied.

Watterson Not a Coward.

The brilliant Kentuckian now, as in the past, with the missionary zeal of a Peter the Hermit, has proclaimed that nothing was to be gained by cowardice or evasion-that the Democratic party might as well have the game as the name, and instead of trying to fit National Democratic principles to Pennsylvania conditions the party should practically abandom States like Pennsyl-vania to the "Robber Barons," as he kindly calls the tariff kings, and open recruiting offices in the "Wild and Wooly West," where the high tariff "idee" seemed to pinch some of the pet diversified industries of that section.

Hence the henceness of "Henri's" latest successful raid on the "policy" platform makers at Chicago. The drift of events on the Democratic side at present, mainly as a result of Watterson's labors, inas a result of Watterson's labors, in-vests the platform of 1884 with something more than passing interest, and as I was a critical "Looker on in Vienna," or rather in Chicago in 1884, when these platform makers were "building better than they knew," a few extracts from my "note book" of that day man serve to show how far Watterson was in advance of his time, how much his party has grown in the interim much his party has grown in the interim, and how much the aggressive personality of one man like Watterson has to do with the shaping and making of industrial policies, and principles of a party, and it may be of nation-with either the crippling or the up-building of communities, and what Garfield so eloquently characterized as the "married calm of States."

#### A Day for Democracy to Remember.

July 10, 1884, therefore, is an ever to be remembered day for the Democratic party of the United States. On that day in the city of Chicago, after one of the hottest convention committee contests on record, the Tilden tariff plank was re-affirmed. Watterson was vindicated and Converse, Hay, Randall, et al., were, in the express-hay, Randall, et al., were, in the expresshave phrase of the day, "turned down," to figure thereafter only as specimens of the pre-historic red sandstone era of the great party which then and there and in the great Presidental struggle following, won its

fight on Watterson "lines." The sub-committee in the convention of '84 wrestled all night much as Jacob did with the angel, not knowing where they were going to land. McPherson, of New Jersey, was especially hot unde and the voluble Benjamin H. Butler injected his volcanic utterances into the Watterson camp, but made no recruits. Butler was looked upon coldly, as it was generally understood that he would submit a minority report, and if it was not adopted the bull would smash all the china in the the ball would smash all the china in the shop. Randall was sour on Converse for what he called his surrender, and in order to relieve himself from that imputation he moved as a substi-tute the adoption of the "Ohio platform." The motion was lost by the emphatic vote of 30 to 6, and when the result was an-nounced Frank Hurd remarked: "This is moving addition I would at Columbus." is my vindication. I said at Columbus, 'I appeal from this convention to the National Convention of the party,' and this vote is their answer to my appeal." Interest centered at the time more on the platform than the candidate, and Messra: Carlisle, Hurd, Wheeler and Bookwalter discussed the pro-ceedings in the ante-room of the hotel as the returns were doled out from the committee room.

plank of 1876, and on that platform we car-ried the country. In 1880 we failed because we were afraid of our platform. I assert with proof that the National Committee of 1880, by refusing to defend the platform, lost the battle. They declined to meet the Republican argument, and surgendered by giving orders that there should be no dis-cussion on the tariff. This is why the battle was lost. I know that Indiana was lost because of this timidity on the part of the National Committee. In only one dis-trict in Indiana—New Albany, where the glass works of the Dupaws are located—we made the tariff an issue, discussed it openly and fairly and gained votes in October and increased gains in November. This, too, in spite of the fact that the Dupaws, who had been Democrats, gave their support to the enemy."

General Butler replied to Mr. Watterson, contending that the gains in New Albany were due to the fact that all Louisville rossed the river to vote.

Mr. Mengies, of Indiana, followed and insisted that when the Democrats had the courage of their convictions and put up men who have clear ideas and whose elecmen who have clear ideas and whose elec-tion would mean something, they will win. Buller again took the floor, contending that "exclusively" meant putting all other objects except revenue beyond the taxing power of the Government. It meant reve-nue only in its strictest sense, and the com-mittee must understand if they adopt it they must be prepared to detend it.

The Protectionists Completely Routed.

The committee accepted this interpreta-tion, and on this the vote was taken. To strike out "exclusively" was defeated 18 to strike out "exclusively was defeated 18 to 16-Hewitt and Youmans absent. Phelps, of Missouri, voted with the "protection" side, and in three hours 500 telegrams from St. Louis declared that he did not represent Missouri. The Revenue Reformers were naturally jubilant. Their victory was em-phatic and undeniable as Converse, Hay and Rendell hear betten at every point and Randall had been beaten at every point. During all this white heat discussion the committee had been without a chairman. On the first vote there was a tie between Morri-

the first vote there was a the between Morri-son and Converse—18 to 18—and Malcolm Hay, the Temporary Chairman, was con-tinued. After the platform was formulated it was agreed that a chairman in harmony with it should be selected. The protection-ists urged that this would be a reflection on No. Here, Clunic of California, and made a Mr. Hay. Clunie, of California, and made a blazing address against the election of Mor-rison. It was not to be, and Morrison was chosen unanimously, thus completing the rout, "horse, foot and dragoons," of the pro-tectionists.

tectionists. At the night session an immense audience filled Exposition Hall. The windows and roof were crowded. As soon as the conven-tion came to order a resolution eulogizing Tilden was passed amid immense cheering. Barnum was elected Chairman of the Na-tional Committee. New York was ponting about something, as usual. Vilas was made a member of the National Committee, and Perry, of Arkansas, attempted, by resolu-tion, to have the two-thirds rule abrogated. It was beaten overwhelmingly and nearly It was beaten overwhelmingly and nearly unanimously. At last the Committee on Resolutions appeared. Both sides in the con-vention seemed to be satisfied they had gained a victory. Morrison, who is not a "golden-mouthed" reader, handed the report "golden-mouthed" reader, handed the report of the committee to the secretary to read. During the reading you could have heard a pin drop. The Revenue Reform part of the platform got most of the cheers. At its conclusion Mr. Morrison said he would al-low General Butler 30 minutes to make a minority most are minority to Conminority report, give five minutes to Con-verse and ten minutes to Watterson, and would then move the previous question.

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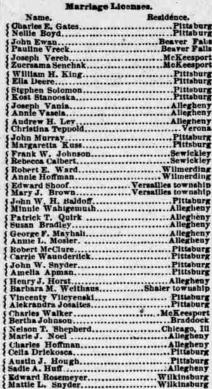
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Butler asked the Secretary to read his report. It was a very ingenious document and was considered mainly a vote-catching plea, meaning nothing, only to "get there, Eli." Ben made a good point when he stated that if it took the able gentlemen on the committee 36 hours to frame a tariff plank. how long would it take the laboring men to understand it? He said there was no more difference between the platforms of '76 and difference between the platforms of '76 and '80 than the platform of to-night. One said "exclusively for revenue" and the other said "revenue only." "Now, gentle-men," he said, "what is the difference?" A laugh followed, and the doughty General stepped down and out. Converse pleaded for harmony with a big H, and was loudly applauded. Watterson was enthusiastically received. The Demo-crats know a Democrat when they see him. He said the revenue plank was sound and

Dr. Robert R. Reed, in her 83d year. clear, and all good Democrats could stand upon it. He made several hits at Butler, and concluding said, "There had been more differences in the past among Democrats TAGGART-On Sabbath evening, June 25, at his residence in Service, Beaver county, Pa., Boss TAGGART, in the 77th year of his about the tariff than there ever would be again." Mr. Morrison then moved the previous

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ALSTON-On Sunday, June 26, 1892, at 10:47 r. M. MARY LOGAN, wife of Alex. B. Alston, used 25 years. Funeral services on WEDNESDAY, at 2 P. M. from the residence of her husband, No. 6 East Jefferson street, Alleghenv. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to at tend. Interment private at a later hour. BOWLER-On Monday, June 27, 1892, at 3:15 P. M., BRIDGET, wife of Michael Bowler,

aged 26 years. Funeral from her late residence, No. 4618 Hatfield street, on WEDNESDAY at 8:30 A. M. Services at St. Mary's Church, Forty-sixth

street, at 9 A. M. Friends of the family are espectfully invited to attend. COLLINS-On Monday, June 27, 1892, at 6 A. M., JULIA, daughter of Patrick and Ellen Collins, aged 19 years. Funeral from the family residence, 614 Sec-

ond avenue, on WEDNESDAY at 8:30 o'clock. Services at St. Agnes' R. C. Cburch, Soho, at 9 o'clock A. M. Friends of the family are te-spectfully invited to attend. HANDREHAN-On Sunday. June 26, 1892, at midnight, THOMAS HANDREHAN, aged 27

ears. Funeral from his late residence, No. 148 Pike street, on WEDNESDAY, at 8 A. M. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to at-

LAMBIE-On Monday, June 27, at 12:30 P M., of malignant diphtheria, ALEXANDER HAMILTON, infant son of Joseph G. and Kate

Lambie Funeral services at the residence of his parents, 241 Locust street, Allegheny City, on

TUESDAY at 10 A. M. Interment private. LEWIS-At his residence, Beulah street, Twenty-seventh ward, Sunday, June 26, CHARLES LEWIS, Rged 45 years. Funeral on TUESDAY AFTERNOON at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family invited to attend. \$

MITCHELL-On Monday, June 27, 1892, at 4:15 p. m., John Mitchell, Sr., aged 55 years i months and 3 days. Funeral from his late residence, 136 Seven teenth street, Southside, on WEDNESDAY, June 19, 1891, at 2 P. M. Friends of the family

are respectfully invited to attend. PAYNE-At his residence near Coal Valley, Pa., June, 25, 1892, JOSEFF PAYNE, in the 65th year of hisage. Funeral services at his late home TURSDAY, June 28, at 10:30 A. M. Carriages will connect at Coal Valley with trains leaving Pittsburg

at 8:35 A. M. and returning at 6:48 P. M. Friends are respectfully invited to attend. BEED-At Washington, Pa., on Saturday, June 25, at 5:30 P. M., ELLER BAIRD, relict of

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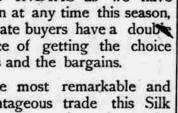
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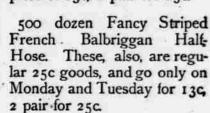
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Mr. Wheeler, President of the New York Free Trade Club, said:

"Yes, the thing for the Democratic party to do is to put itself right on this issue and appeal to the manufacturers of New Eng-land and New York and merchants everywhere. On this issue we will be certain of New York, reasonably certain of Connecticut and Massachusetts and other Republican States doubtful."

Meantime the Platform Committee in an adjoining room were making h story rather rapidly. After the Ohio platform was rapidly. After the Onio platform was beaten the St. Louis platform was offered and voted down by a vote of 31 to 5 as not sufficiently specific. Then the final rally came. In the closing clause the Revenue Reformers wanted it declared that "all taxation must be exclusively for pub-lic nurverses"

"all taxation must be exclusively for pub-lic purposes." Malcolm Hay, of Pennsylvania, moved to strike out the word "exclusively." He said, with much snap: "It was this word now changed to 'exclusively' which in 1880 lost us the Presidental election. It is so emphatic and direct that it will lose us the doubtful States. It will cost us the votes of capitalists and laboring men. It fright-ens voters and distorbs business and arrays against us the conservatism of the counagainst us the conservatism of the coun try.'

Watterson for Foreing the Fight. Watterson took the floor in reply: "The platform of 1880," said he, "is only an ex-pression of the St. Louis convention tariff

THORNTON-On Sunday, June 26, 1899, at 11:45 r. M., THOMAS THORNTON, aged 30 years. Funeral from the residence of John Malia. 4915 Plum alley, Seventeenth ward, TO-DAY at 2 P. M. Friends of tue family are respect question, and on the call of States the platform was adopted by a nearly unanimous vote. It was a red-letter day for Watterfully invited to attend. son and the Democratic party, and marked the beginning of a political revolution that found its full expression at the Chicago Convention last week in the nomination of a candidate to fit the platform, if not a plat-form in bimself WALTER-On Saturday, June 25, 1892, at 6 F. M., LEONARD WALTER, Sr., in his Sist year. Funeral services on WEDNESDAY, 29th Inst. at 2 o'clock P. M., from his late residence, 6 North Canal street, Allegheny City. Inter-ment private at a later hour.

[Brookville, Pa., and Harrisburg papers please copy.] 8 WEBB-On Sunday, June 26, at 4:45 p. M., LENA ELIZABETH, daughter of J. W. and Mar-garet Ann Miller, aged 21 years, 8 months and 25 days.

son, Hurd, Hay and others met in front of the Palmer House. "Henri" was in ex-cellent humor. He said: "If anybody can Funeral from her parents' residence see any protection in that platform he de-Eleventh ward, Allegheny, on TUESDAY, June 28, 1892, at 10 A. M. Friends of the family Hay-Then the protection in the plat-Hay-Inen the protection in the plat-form does not protect? Watterson-No, sir. I refer you to the text "Revenue shall be exclusively for public purposes." That is clear. Bookwalier-Why didn't you adopt the "revenue only" plank? Watterson-I'll tell you. The committee are respectfully invited to attend. REPRESENTED IN PITTSBURG

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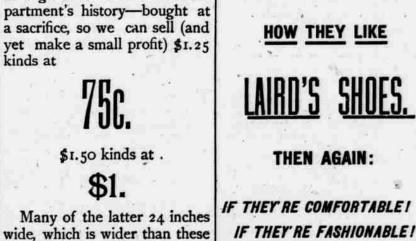
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