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REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

Congressmen-at-Large. GALUSHA A. GROW, of Susquehanna. EAMUEL A. DAVENPORT, of Eric. Election Day, Nov. 3.

The dispatch of yesterday crediting the Reed boom with a threatening spurt belonged by rights in the fiction department and must have got in the news page by mistake.

The Proper Money Plank.

The Wilkes-Barre Record correctly states the attitude of the great majority of the membership of the Republican party when it declares that what they want is: "First, a tariff and revenue policy that will give our home indutries protection and prosperity and bring revenues enough into the treasury to meet the requirements of the government, together with a sufficient surplus to gradually reduce the national debt. Second, a financial policy that will give the country a sufficient volume of dollars, every one of which, whether gold. allver or paper, has the same purchasing power as the standard gold dollar."

Our contemporary is plainly within the truth when it declares that "a financial plank embodying these principles will not be a 'straddle;' it will not be a concession to the free silver fanstics: it would be a recognition of the conservative, patriotic, common sense spirit that permeates the great body of the American people, upon whose votes the Republican party depends for restoration to power in the national government." As the Washington Star, an independent but conservative paper, observes in the same connection: A stringent gold plank in the platform would misrepresent the party. The party is not in favor of the single gold standard It is in favor of the double standard, safeguarded. Gold payments will be maintained until bimetallism is secured by international agreement, or, safely, by other means. Gold monometallism has never been advocated by the Republican party. There would have been no talk of it at this time if the Republican party had remained in power. The Sherman law would probably have been modified, but some-thing in silver's interests, and reasonably satisfactory to silver's friends, would have been put in its place. The Republican party, though always opposed to the free colmage of silver as an independent act by this government, has always been friendly to silver, and is the author of all the laws designed to help rehabilitate silver The campaign for a radical deliverance in favor of gold monometallism carried to the extreme of retiring treasury notes and greenbacks and declining utterly to sanction additional coinage of gilver is of Democratic origin and had for its object the diversion of popular attention away from the Cleveland administration's tariff failure. It is not a Republican artifice and Republicans would be foolish to adopt it. No honest man can wish to debase the currency. No honest man can wish to cheat a creditor. No honest man can wish to lower the wages of labor by making payments in an inferior dollar. But it is simply ridiculous to say that because the last Democratic administration made a horrible mess of our revenues and our finances, Republicans should be stampeded by Mr. Cleveland into branding with the stigma of infamy their own past legislation in behalf of silver and undertaking by platform declaration to discredit their own history. The proper plank for the St. Louis convention should embody this idea, if not these words: "The record of the Republican party shows that it is the party of safety. True to this past, it declares now and pledges its future effort in behalf of international bimetallism, but opposes as needlessly hazardous the unlimited coinage of silver by this nation alone, and demands a currency fitted to the needs of business, with all its dollars equal in purchasing power to the best dollar apywhere." Such a plank would satisfy every fair-minded man who has no special axe to grind, and be the slogan of a noble victory.

easure on older ones. It isn't necesmuch to afford necessary relief. Amid tary to summon Shakespeare to prove all the contemporary clatter concerning the precious metals, it is well to bear this. Modern instances may be recallthis Philadelphia suggestion in mind d without number. M. Zola could have It may yet prove the key to the entire bettered his reputation by giving credit in a preface to the authors to whose labor he helped himself. But the fact Governor Hastings' explicit refusal to that he omitted this courtesy is scarcely secome a candidate for vice-president a sufficient justification for filling the sacrifices Pennsylvania's chance of get-

heavens with a din of howls and yells. ting a place on the next national ticket. But it probably opens the way for Sena-It must be said as a matter of veracity tor Quay to become secretary of the that the Republicans of Luserne do not seem to be making much ado over the ley's cabinet. Palmer purity platform. Are they wedded to the golden idols?

The Vice-Presidency.

Three questions were recently prominimizing the importance of the curbounded by the Chicago Times-Herald rency issue. Protection, at all events, to a number of prominent delegates to is the paramount essential. the Republican National convention. Now that congress is off his hands, They were: (1) What, if anything, we dare say President Cleveland will should be done to make the office of stock a government gun-boat with live ice-president of the United States and liquid balt and steam away on the worthier the aspirations of our foremajestic ocean to where the fishes play. most statesmen? (2) Should the official duties and responsibilities be enlarged? Just how it can be construed as (3) Should the salary be increased? reachery for Joseph H. Manley to tell The replies are interesting and diverthe truth as to the certainty of Mcsified. Governor Bushnell, of Ohio, Kinley's nomination it is difficult for thinks there should be a constitutional the average on-looker to discern. amendment which will provide that the The probability is that Speaker Read rice-president of the United States laid the corner stone of his own defeat shall be a member of the cabinet, "thus for the presidency when he exhibited enabling him to obtain more accurate the white feather by urging congress to knowledge and current information about the affairs of the government, adopt a do-nothing policy. over which he might some time be called to preside as chief executive. Such extension of his official duties and probably an increase in the salary

would." he adds, "increase the dignity St. Louis convention and emphasize the importance of the Mr. Reed's peremptory rejection of office." Among those who concur in he v. co-presidency will not injure the this view are A. M. Stevenson, of Den-Republican party, but will its effect ver: Senator Cannon, of Utah, who sugbe correspondingly harmless on Thomas gests that the salary be increased to \$25,000; but doesn't see how the duties B. Reed?

can be increased; Congressman Hunter. of Kentucky. Curtis Guild, jr., of Massachusetts, and Senator Wellington, of Maryland.

such an increase would be a manifest

injustice to the speaker of the house of

representatives, whose duties are in-

finitely more difficult than the work of

residing over the senate. I do not se

pledge to forgive and forget. The most emphatic message of disent comes from General Felix Agnus, We are sorry to observe that none of of Baltimore. Says he: "If the viceour Democratic friends has yet advopresidency is underrated it is not the cated Tariff "Bill" Wilson for the Demofault of the office. It is a place of great cratic nomination. lignity and undoubted responsibility

The fact of the matter is that even cannot think of any legislation that without the umpire's help, Colonel ould make it more worthy of the aspir-Shannon's men would have been hard tions of our foremost statesmen. To to beat. increase the salary would not do it, and

tem in the South and West would do

Harper's Weekly just now is eclipsing all past records in its adulant toadying to Mr. Cleveland. Well, he needs it.

A CURIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT.

now the official duties and responsi-From the Washington Post. bilities can be enlarged without mak-We note with interest the announce ment given out from the state depart-ment, on Thursday, to the effect that the ng a joint social or political arrangement of the presidency and vice-presipresident intends taking no action with reference to the Cuban insurrection; that dency, and this would be absurd. In e is glad congress has adjourned and my opinion, the vice-presidency is best left him free from annoyance in that re-spect. Even more interesting are the reaas it is, and it is an office which the nost gifted American should be proud sons given for this feeling of relief in the president's mind. The explanation is o hold." Other eminent dissenters are made with engaging frankness that Sen Senators Dubois, Carter and Gear, and ator Morgan's resolution would, if adopted, have compelled him either to sign or to veto the measure. He was averse Representatives Hepburn, Johnson, ed. have Juigg and Allen. to signing it because Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish envoy, had assured that his sig-One of the objections raised to innature would have brought on a war, and creasing the vice-president's salary is he was averse to vetoing it because that would have put him in an attitude of hosthat it would appear to discriminate tility to the overwhelming sentiment of against the speaker of the house, who the country. Thus we dre told that the adjournment of congress has relieved th does twice as much work. This objection overlooks the fact that the vicepresident is under social obligations trumpery affairs. which do not rest in equal measure up-11 11 11 on the speaker. It also forgets that the It is a strange announcement upon the vice-presidency is in dignity an office whole-perhaps the most remarkable one that has ever emanated from Mr. Clevethat should rise as far above the speakland. Here is a president of the United States, the people's servant, admitting ership as the presidency in turn rises above it. It is not probable that the that those he serves desire, almost to man, to have him do a certain thing, and in the next breath confessing that ho would rather not do that thing because the diplomatic representative of a foreign nation threatens him with war. Now, vice-presidency will soon be enlarged, either as to salary or as to influence. But it ought to be. nowever, he has escaped the dilemma, and feels easy in his mind. And he hopes There will be one disappointed man because of the failure of the Hustings that, by the time congress reassembles, conditions in Cuba will have so changed as to spare him any further annoyance in vice-presidential boom. His name is John Wanamaker and he is a candidate the premises. What can happen between now and next December to rob the Cuban question of its difficulties except the exfor senator. For an Elastic Bank Circulation. termination of the insurgents? It is an absolute certainty that the insurgents A Philadelphia banking firm, Bioren have no idea of surrendering. Better be & Co., in a circular giving its views as killed in battle than shot or tortured to death by Weyler. It is improbable that to the kind of a money plank which the insurgents can destroy the Spanish ought to be adopted at St. Louis, sugarmies, for the latter stay penned up in fortified places and the rebels have no argests the following: tillery. What, then, can Mr. Cleveland look forward to with such prayerful ex-pectation except the utter extinction of This party pledges itself to maintain the present parity of the gold dollar unim-paired. Unaided by an international agreement, this country cannot add greatthe insurgents? Certainly this is a curi-ous utterance. It is an utterance which ly to its silver coinage without appalling catastrophe while present conditions govmay well make humane and patriotic people think. ern the production of silver. The west-Meanwhile, the chronicle of outrage ern and southern portions of the United States imperatively and justly demand upon American citizens and destruction that an increased circulation be provid-ed to meet their pressing needs-a circu-lation of stable value and so introduced of their property swells with each succeeding day. Is callous indifference to these things part of Mr. Cleveland's proas to strengthen national credit at home and abroad. This party, therefore, pledges to the nation the use of its influence and gramme of summer ease and recreation? The latest case is that of Senor Delgado, a duly naturalized American citizen, who power to secure such immediate legisla-tion as shall permit of the issue of a local bank note circulation, under certain nas the owner of a large and valuable estate not far from Havana. One day a few insurgents called at his place and asked tional supervision, payable in gold or its equivalent, and secured by safeguards to or water, or, perhaps, something to eat, While he was talking with them a band regulate the volume and protect the value of Spanish soldiers appeared upon the f such notes. scene, drove off the insurgents, and then took Senor Delgado prisoner. Without While the wording of the first senasking questions or knowing anything of tence in this proposed plank is faultythe facts, they condemned him to death, put him on his knees, and then fired a volno single dollar, whether of gold or siley at his back. One or more bullets ver, having such a thing as parity,-its struck him, but did not kill him. Then the intention is sound, and to it every Reofficer in charge drew his saber and struck Senor Delgado a violent blow in the face, leaving a dreadful gash. Still the unhappy man survived. At last he reached Havana and salled for New York. publican can cheerfully subscribe. The wording would be improved if it were to say: "This party pledges itself to Now he is here, perhaps in Washington at this moment. He comes to ask the maintain at a parity of values all American dollars, whether of gold, silver president whether this great nation pro-poses to protect its citizens as against or paper." Such a sentence would say all that needs to be said and, in fact, all wanton outrages on their persons and their property. His is not an isolated case. It is typical. Are all of these questhat can be said by any one nation in reference to the matter of a monetary tions to be postponed until congress meets gain? standard. And there is another mystery which perplexes observant folk-the mystery of the sudden suppression of Mr. Morgan's But it is to the second suggestion that attention is especially directed. On June 30, 1892, the total amount of money joint resolution. How did that resolution come to die so utterly? What was it that the president said to Senators Sherman, in circulation among the American peo-Gray and Lodge-what was the argu-ment which persuaded them to fall away from Senator Morgan and connive at the asphyxiation of his resolution? Those who have heard and are still wondering at the year ago by a fellow-Frenchman, M. shrinkage during the past four years of would like to know how it all came about. Firmin-Didot. The citations in support \$3.09 per capita, or enough to account They would like to know by what representations the president managed to sub-due the impetuosity of Mr. Lodge and reconcile him to delay, if not inaction, in exceeded the limits of literary license. rency system. A sound banking sys- a cause for which he had previously shown

such great activity and seal. This whole question is immersed in mystery. Who, excepting Mr. Cleveland, holds the key? TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus, The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe cast: 2.47 a. m., for Tuesday June 16, 1895.

M 🕆 🕅 A child born on this day will do well to be born in Ohio or Indiana if he ex-pects to be president. If editors could only suit the outside cities in running a newspaper, what a glorious age of intellectual journalism this

navy if he shall desire to enter McKinvould be! Mr. Griffin, of Athletic park, may now e considered open for suggestions The restoration of protection and the At the hour of going to press the new Shah of Persia had not given his opin-ion on the currency question. replacement of the government on a debt-paying basis will go far toward

There seems no reason why Prodigal Chiles should not be given a show at Athletic park. Ajacchus' Advice.

The man who is trying to frighten bi-cycles into "being cheaper" may as well hang up his fiddle until the factories running night and day can supply present or ders.

MUSIC NOT IMMORAL. rom the Pittston Item.

We are in perfect accord with Dr. Mc-Leed and the Scranton Tribune that sacred concerts are all right on Sunday or any other day, provided they furnish us with better music and less blokering than the average church choir furnishes. Music whether vocal or instrumental, secular of sacred, is timely and acceptable on any day, if only it be characterized by har mony in its origin, its execution, and its effects.

NORA McGILL.

The ways of a woman, Seloman said. Would puzzle a wise man Alive or dead. An' faith, I'm thinkin' He'd say so still If he'd ever met with Norah McGill.

Antony said, Were past believin' An' better fied. An', faith, I'm thinkin' He'd say so still If ever he'd look on Norah McGill.

Was as easy snapt As a spider's thread. An', faith, I'm thinkin' He'd say so still If ever he'd talked with Norah McGill. An' yet there's nothin'

She likes me still The while she's plaguin' me-

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Demonstration of the Tarbox Sham Holder will close Wednesday, June 17th.



The wiles of a woman,

The Tribune today will post in front of its business office Postal Telegraph company bulletins announcing at frequent intervals the proceedings of the

Anyhow, Tom Reed has this consolation: No one denies that he is fit to be president.

The latest "plagiarist" is Emile Zola. ple was \$1,601,347,187-a per capita cir-It is charged that in writing his last culation of \$24.44. On June 1, 1896, the book, "Rome," he bodily stole whole total amount was \$1.521,584,283-a per paragraphs from a book printed one capita circulation of \$21.35. Here is a of the charge show that M. Zola bor- for much of the popular dissatisfaction rowed liberally, but do not prove that he now rife with reference to our cur-