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## THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

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For President, WILLIAM MCKINLEY, of Ohio. For Vice-President, GARRET A. HOBART, of New Jersey. STATE.

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

### THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

1. Tariff, not only to furnish adequate revenue for the necessary expenses of the government, but to protect American labor from degradation to the wage level of other lands. 2. Reciprocal agreements for open markets and discriminating duties in favor of the American merchant marine. 3. Maintenance of the existing gold standard and opposition to free colaage of silver except by international agreement with the leading commercial nations of the world. 4 Pensions and preferences for veterans of the Union army, 5. A firm, vigorous and digfilled foreign policy "and all our interests in the western Hemisphere carefully watched and guarded," 6. The Hawaiian Islands to be controlled by the United States; the Nicaraguan canal to be built; a naval station in the West Indies. 7. Protection of American citizens and property in Turkey, 8. Reassertion of the Monroe doctrine. Eventual withdrawal of European powers from this hemisphere and union of all English-speaking people on this continent. 9. The United States actively to use influence to restore peace and give independence to Cuba. 10. Enlargement of the navy, defense of harbors and sencousts. 11. Exclusion of illiterate and immoral im-migrants. 12. Reapproval of the civil ser vice law, 13, A free ballot and an honest count, 14, Condemnation of lynching, 15, Approval of national arbitration, 16, Approval of a free homestead law. 17. Admission of the remaining territories, representation for Alaska and abolition of carpet-bag federal officers, 18. Sympathy with legitimate efforts to lessen intemperance. 19. Sympathetic reference to "the rights and interests of woman,"-Con-densed by the Times-Herald.

We should imagine that these are melancholy days for one Grover Cleveland.

## As Others See It.

Some of our esteemed Democratic contemporaries are saving us the trouble of reviewing the Chicago platform. They are doing this themselves in a manner which leaves nothing to be added. For instance, according to the Philadelphia Times, "there is not a single paragraph in the platform enunciating a distinct principle or policy of government that gives any recognition to national honor or integrity of American citizenship. Repudiation runs through every paragraph relating to money, and anarchy is blended with the dregs of the old states' rights idea in the declaration that the greatest Republic of the earth shall be powerless to maintain law and order within its dominion."

Again: "Beginning with deliberate falsehood and gravitating to unmistakable repudiation by the demand that public and private obligations shall be paid in money of one-half the value on which the contracts were based, what assurance would the country or the world have that, with the success of repadiation to the extent of one-half the value of obligations, the repudiationists would there end the work of fraud? If the legal or moral right to repudiate to per cent, of an obligation can be sustained, the right to repudiate threefourths or the whole of any obligation would be equally logical, and there is not a feature of the financial deliverance of the Chicago platform on the question of finance that is not open, undisguised repudiation, with falsehood summoned to furnish the only excuses which can be offered for it."

Finally: "The Chicago plaform is without a redeeming feature to commend it to patriotic citizens of any political faith. It is a proclamation of organized repudiation, agrarianism and anarchy, and it must summon every intelligent and patriotic citizen, regardless of political affiliations, to most heroic battle against the triumph of a madnes sthat is as deadly in its aim as was the madness of secession in 1860, and without even the poor excuse that secession had for its sulcide."

It would be a waste of energy to try to augment this expert comment.

It should be understood that David B. Hill always reserves the right to change his opinions to fit the shifting currents of the time.

Although numerous other nations have notified France of their acceptance of the invitation to participate in the Paris exposition of 1900, no such delay is natural but unfortunate.

we ought to do much more.

It looks as if the Democrats had de cided to steal all of the Populists' thunder, with never a quotation mark

"The money of the United States and every kind or form of it, whether of paper, silver or gold, must be as good as the best in the world. It must not only be current at its full face value at home, but it must be counted at par in any and every commercial center of the globe. The dollar paid to the farmer, the wage-earner and the rensioner must continue forever power to the dollar paid to any government creditor." -- McKinley in His Speech of Acceptance.

Mr. Hobart means gold and says gold Mr. Hobart is evidently not enamored of expediency.

Dreg Level. It is only natural that in a body of men wrought up to a nervous tension by the frantic advocacy of a single idea the liability of a stampede should be great. This explains the Bryan boom and vividly shows how superficial and unstable the present silver movement

Ready in debate, agile in repartee duent in the use of oratorical tricks and poses, and possessed moreover of an uncommon amount of personal magnetism, the Nebraska ex-congressman in his reply to Senator Hill, rose easily to the one opportunity of the Chicago convention and by that short speech. with its well-gauged appeal to the sympathies and prejudices of the free silver multitude, pushed himself forward to the very front of the race for the presidential nomination.

And it is in this elastic spirit of fickleness that the Democratic party, setting aside the warning of is ablest leaders and airily dismissing the almost unanimous protest of the business element of the country, proposes to rush forward to a precipitate revolution of our entire monetary system and play with the finances and the commercial credit of the country as a child would play with a newly found toy. Truly, American politics has reached dreg-level.

"Whatever is done at Chicago," ex-Governor Pattison informs a Philadelphia Press interviewer, "will be acceptable to me." And this is the lamb that some once thought a lion!

## Perversions of Justice.

The last session of the Massachusetts legislature authorized the appointment of a commission of three to consider the subject of simplifying criminal pleadings with a view to preventing the grow-during the past two years has begotten ing scandal of retrials on petty techof the case. That commission is now at work. A similar step, it is announced by the New York Evening Post, will that no special effort will be necessary probably be taken at Albany next winis quite as prominent as in any other state or country.

The magnitude of the evil is well illus

trated in two cases cited recently by

sociation and recalled by the New York journal above referred to. In one instance a man was charged with embezzling a letter, and his guilt was made clear, but he was discharged because of a technical error in the indictment. the direction on the letter not having been given correctly. In the other a man was charged with stealing a \$100 bill from another man's pocket, and his guilt was also made plain, but he was discharged because his lawyer was able, protective tariff. by the aid of a magnifying glass, to show that the date upon the bill was not given correctly in the indictment. In almost every other department of human activity progress is steady and rapid. In the department of human justice things are practically at a standstill; processes are mossy with old age and the live conditions of today are and the live conditions of today are confronted at every turn by the inadeconfronted at every turn by the inade-quate and obsolete rules and traditions while in the West there are few honest of from two to ten centuries ago. The result is that the people have learned to distrust the courts and to shun them. Legal forms that produce such a feeling require renovation. The courts need to be brought up to date.

The New York Evening Post is tickled almost to death over Hobart. It will yet get into the McKinley main tent via the Hobart back door.

## Upholding Sabbath Protection.

An interesting decision has been handed down by Justice Harlan for the United States Supreme court. From the earliest times the statute books of Georgia have contained a law prohibitng worldly labor on Sunday. When railroads came a supplementary act was passed prohibiting the running of freight trains on Sunday. This act was obeyed until congress passed the interstate commerce law, and then the railroads raised the point that the latter nullified the state act. The case went finally to the Supreme court and there a majority has upheld the constitutionality of the state act, although Chief Justice Fuller and Justice White dissented.

The opinion of the majority as pre The opinion of the majority as pre-pared by Justice Harlan holds that the Georgia Sunday law is a legitimate exercise of the police powers belonging to each state. Under that power the court holds that the legislature may acknowledgement has been received in provide for the health, the morals and France from the United States. The the general welfare of the people, and if it is deemed necessary to their peace. France had an excellent representa- comfort and happiness, to say nothing

be set apart by law as a day when business of all kinds shall cease within the borders of the state, a law to that effect is constitutional and valid, notwithstanding that it temporarily suspends commerce between the states. It is held to be of the same nature as quarantine and inspection laws, which have always been held valid, though they interfere with and check commerce to some extent.

The effect of this finding can hardly fail to be stimulating to the cause of equal in purchasing and debt-paying had to encounter arguments calling in question the constitutionality of laws BROTHER SINGERLY'S VIEWS that safe-guard the weekly day of worship and rest.

> Senator Chandler has begun to address open letters to Chairman Hanna urging him not to make the disastrous lished standard of money. Should bimistake of falling to recognize and cooperate with Thomas C. Platt. It is suspected, though, that this use of the name Platt is partly due to the New Hampshire senator's own shrinking modesty, and that wherever Platt's name occurs we would be justified in reading "Chandler."

> The best argument against the experiment of free and unlimited coinage by the United States alone is the character of the men who most conspicuously and vociferously advocate it. Any cause which attracts the championship of such men as Tilman, Altgeld, Waite, Pennoyer and Peffer is bound to excite suspicion.

Whatever misgivings bimetallist Republicans may have had over the platadopted recently at St. Louis, the events of the current week in Chicago have effectually removed them. When anarchy vaults into the saddle upon destruction bent it is well to put bayonets rather than compromises to the front.

We are actually beginning to entertain a feeling of sympathy for President Cleveland, but we hope he won't stifle it by declaring for McKinley.

The Chicago protest against government by injunction means in effect a declaration in favor of government by riotous mobs.

The trouble with Spanish promises to Cuba is that history teaches they lack the enacting clause.

And now, what will the Mugwumps

And the next day even nature wept.

## WILL REQUIRE HARD WORK.

From the Wilkes-Barre Record. Men whose business it is to familiarize themselves with the sentiment prevailing among the masses require no argument t convince them that in the great political contest of the present year the Republica a confidence in the minds of many Repubnicalities that do not involve the merits licans that the restoration of their party to the complete control of the national government is only a matter of form, that such a result is assured in advance, and Those who reason in that way have failed to correctly read the signs of the times. ter. It deserves to be duplicated in Conditions have materially changed with-Pennsylvania, where the evil in question in the past six months, and they are blind who have not observed these changes,

The so-called silver craze has spread with a rapidity that was not believed pos-sible a year or less ago. It has completely swallowed up one of the great political W. C. Glenn before the Georgia Bar as-parties and made serious inroads in the ranks of the other. The situation is serious and those who believe in an honest money policy cannot too soon recognize this fact. If this free silver coinage mania were confined to the Democratic party there would be no cause for concern, but, unfortunately, it is not. In ev-ery community, even in such states as Pennsylvania. New York and throughout New England, large numbers of men who call themselves Republicans, have become inoculated with the idea that free silver coinage will tend to a greater measure of national prosperity. Those men will be held in the Republican party only because they also believe in the necessity of a

In the states west of Ohio this restraining influence is less effectively felt, and thousands of Republicans will vote against their party's candidate for president be-cause he stands on a platform opposed to free silver coinage. These losses to the Middle and Eastern states, all of which money Democrats and many Republican

The moral of all this simply is that the Republicans must get down to a "cam-paign of education." They have the weight of the argument on their side, and hosts of the deluded free silver advocates, especially those among the working class-es, can be made to see that they are conemplating the same kind of a mistake they made in 1892, when they voted against rotection. They have paid dearly for that error of judgment, and they will pay even more dearly for the free silver coinage experiment they are now clamoring

## WOMEN AND THE WHEEL.

From the Times-Herald. The Women's Rescue league at a conference in Washington promulgated a series of curious observations with respect to the use of the bloycle by women. If it were not for the fact that this organization had dedicated itself to the noblest kind of philanthropy and has already accomplished a grand work in rescuing womanhood from the influences of degrading environments its pronouncement on the icycle question would attract little atten tion. The question of the effect of the bi-cycle upon womanhood has two phases, the moral and the physical. The leagu makes no concessions to any of the spon-sors for the blcycle. It declares the wheel to be deleterious to woman morally and physically, placing special stress upon its allegations as to the augmentation of the army of outcast women by the wheel-ing pastime. The league also declares that pless a halt is soon called in the bleycle

This alarmingly pessimistic view of the bicycle question is not justified by the facts. The bicycle as an evangel of health, fresh air and sunshine has the unqualified indorsement of nearly all physicians. It is taking American women out of doors, and anything that tempts women to exercise in the open air, under proper con-ditions and with a proper environment, is tion three years ago at Chicago. We of the public health and the public true that many young women ride to ex-

cess and are laying the foundations of future physical ailments of a grave char-acter, but where one woman is so foolish as to do this a hundred ride the wheel sensibly, decently and healthfully. It is also doubtless true that to the woman of impure life the wheel may offer a convenient means for facilitating the execu-tion of immoral designs, but that the pastime itself has a tendency to degrad er demoralize is a proposition too absurd for a moment's consideration. A woman who will violate the decencies and pro pricties of life while wheeling will violate them upon other occasions when the op portunity is offered. Where one woman rides to destruction on the wheel a thousand ride to good health and maintain all the decorum, modesty and circumspec-tion that characterize the well-bred, self-Sabbath protection, which has often respecting women from the ideal Ameri-

From the Philadelphia Record. Whatever eise may be said of the the-ory of international bimetallism it is harmless at least, except to the extent in which it encourages the Silverites who are rushing to the attack upon the estabrent of the nations it is the opinio sound economists that the system could not be maintained, or if maintained, that it would not accomplish any destrable end. Gold by reason of its convenience would still remain the money of international exchange, while silver would stil cy in the everyday retail transactions of domestic trade. International bimetallism would hardly change a convenient ar-rangement that has been confirmed by general experience. If, however, in-ternational bimetallism could mitigate would serve a good purpose.

## TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Aja cchus The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe cast: 3.15 a. m., for Friday, July 10, 1896.

rigi: (2) It will be apparent to the unterrified in-

fant born on this day that Mr. Bryan is the James G. Balley of the west. As the original silver man of Lacka-wanna, Mr. Boland illumes at the convention like Court House square clock on a dark evening.

With green apple and watermelons in market and Jamaica ginger at "single gold standard" prices, there seems no reason why the average citizen should not be able to look for a time with indifference at threatened calamities.

A process has been discovered whereby potatoes can be manufactured into whisky. This should make the tubers popular with the man who has a dry feeling in his throat.

A Scranton newspaper has been "call-ing Mr. McKinley down." It is feared that the Major won't come. Indications are that the courtesies of

the biscuit and hot frankfort have again been withdrawn from members of the common council. Governor Altgeld said: "For myself i want nothing," and he got it.

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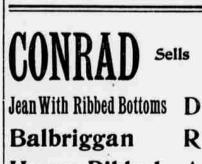


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