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THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

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

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.

look in theory to those who are in debt and want some form of legislation to pull them out, it would, if put into practice, have to encounter hard facts.

Long before next November the absurd free silver craze will have willed so that the tariff will again take its rightful place as the fundamental issue.

"The money of the United States, and every kind of 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.

Isn't it just a little audacious for eastern Democrats to say that the Chicago convention which nominated Bryan was not Democratic? It was called by Democrats, attended by Democrats and dominated by Democrats.

The Farmer and the Tariff. The following table shows how the McKinley and the Wilson tariffs have affected the growers of American cattle.

Table titled 'IMPORTS OF CATTLE' showing fiscal years, number of cattle, and dutiable value for 1891-92, 1892-93, 1893-94, 1894-95, and 1895-96.

It is apparent from this table that the imports of dutiable cattle have increased rapidly since the McKinley tariff was repealed. The increase may be made more plain by the following comparison:

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In other words, as a consequence of the Democratic party's recent war upon the protective tariff, nearly \$700,000 in cash has been handed over to foreign farmers which, under the McKinley law, would have remained in this country.

There are Republicans enough in the United States to elect McKinley regardless of what the Democrats do. Let Republicans guard their own and not be too eager for new and strange alliances.

Some Hard Facts.

It has been shown repeatedly in these columns that the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 by this nation alone, as proposed by Mr. Bryan, would not increase but would for a considerable time contract the currency.

But this is not the worst feature about the free silver experiment. If there were any hope that things would eventually right themselves so as to compensate for this sudden cutting of our circulation in two, we might be able, at a considerable sacrifice, to stand it.

Looking Forward.

A point which may not receive due consideration in the present excited state of political feeling in the South and West, but which is sure to make itself felt eventually, no matter how this year's election shall go, is thus judiciously brought out by Senator Justin S. Morrill in the August Forum:

Our southern states are, for the most part, far less densely populated than their sister states of equal age, and the average of their unutilized land is enormously greater. The unused water power of their numerous rivers, and their inexhaustible iron ores and coal-fields would seem to invite an unlimited expansion of their population.

up safe and happy homes, will it be wise to advertise and have the financial flag put the silver standard at 16 to 1?

In the end, this silver agitation is bound to react most heavily upon the poorer sections where it is now the most powerful, intolerant and unrelenting. It will hurt the East and North, of course; but they are well to do, have diversified industries, good banking facilities, well-developed natural resources and can quickly recover from the blow.

The determination of Chairman Hanna to make this a campaign of short speeches and crisp, to-the-point literature is another demonstration that he is the right man in the right place. Long and solid expositions of the leading issues appeal to students and professional economists; but for every ten voters of this class there are 10,000 busy men—farmers, workmen and merchants—who have no time for the abstract elements of the problem, but want the salient features of it in clear, short words.

If the fight were going to be close, the naming by the bolting Democrats of a third ticket would probably cause McKinley's defeat. But long before election day the common sense of the American people will come to McKinley's rescue and elect him president by an overwhelming majority no matter how many minor tickets are placed in the field.

The most charitable view of the recent conduct of Major General Snowden toward certain officers of the Thirteenth regiment, is that he was not, at the time of its occurrence, in a frame of mind to be held accountable for his actions.

We fear that our neighbor, the Times, is letting its zeal outrun its discretion. The calling of names has never yet amounted to effective argument. And in this campaign the voters are thinking.

About three months hence Tom Watson will again wonder where he is at.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Republican campaign in New York will be opened Aug. 1.

Ex-Superintendent of the Census Porter will look after the call, and who votes for Bryan, is voting for his own ruin.

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THE TROUBLE WITH BRYAN.

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The London newspapers are devoting much space to American politics. The Daily News, for example, has column after column devoted to the McKinley-Bryan fight.

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cause by drawing from the Bryan vote. I believe they are mistaken. The silver men are united and will draw from the Republican ranks. The sound-money men should have been willing to forgo the names Republican and Democrat and vote for McKinley and an honest dollar.

Says Congressman Hepburn, of Iowa: "I do not think that this is the year for Republicans to yield any of their principles in order to conciliate the Democrats who are disgusted with the actions of their own party. There is no danger that the money question is the main issue in the campaign, but I do not think it is Mr. Whitney's place to suggest to the Republicans that they abandon all the other declarations of their platform and make the fight on the financial issue alone.

IF BRYAN WERE ELECTED.

Every man, rich or poor, would be injured by Bryan's election, but those who would be ruined entirely are the men that we mean. If the party of reputation elects a president and the majority of congress, this will make it certain that our currency will be depreciated by almost 50 per cent.

There are thousands and hundreds of thousands of men who are fairly solvent while they can obtain ordinary credit, and who would be ruined if they were called upon to pay what they owe. Their lot will be worse than that of all those who owe money secured by real estate mortgages.

This is no imaginary sketch, it is what must result unless human nature changes. Every one, except those who like Algeid and Senator Jones have been prudent enough to have their mortgages made payable in gold, would insist on payment. He who doesn't do this will lose half his debt, and the person who writes his notes and checks must be an imbecile.

The man who votes money that he is not in a position to pay on call, and who votes for Bryan, is voting for his own ruin.

COUNTING THE COST.

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