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1. Tariff, not only to furnish adequate revenue for the necessary expenses of the government, but to protect American labor from degradation by 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 coinage of silver.

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value, whereby the banks would sustain a loss amounting to 50 per cent. Of course this fear is unreasonable, for Bryan will not be elected nor will any coin bearing the stamp of the United States government be permitted by that government to cheat its holder.

The Scranton Times does not like The Tribune's cartoons. That is natural and also gratifying. They are not prepared with a view to capturing Democratic applause.

"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.

The great trouble with the free silver project as a political issue is that it will not bear investigation. The Opinion of a Statesman. It is worth while to repeat what James G. Blaine said in the United States senate, Feb. 7, 1878, on the silver question.

Our line of policy in a joint movement with other nations to remonetize silver has proposed by the St. Louis platform is simple and direct. The difficult problem is what we shall do when we aim to re-establish silver without the co-operation of European powers.

The proposition then before congress was the free, unlimited and independent coinage of silver dollars of 42 1/2 grains each. Mr. Blaine continued:

At current rates of silver the free coinage of a dollar containing 42 1/2 grains of silver would cost the government 11 cents, and would give the holder of the dollar 100 cents worth of silver.

If that was true of silver dollars worth 92 cents, how much more foolish and dangerous would be the attempt to give free coinage to dollars worth only 63 cents? Mr. Blaine further said:

Were congress to pass a law today declaring that every legal tender note and every national bank note shall hereafter pass for 85 or 97 cents on the dollar, there is not a cent of silver in the United States that could be elected a man who supported it, and in many districts the representative would be lucky if he escaped merely with a dose of the polls.

Will the Scranton Times, which loves to quote from Mr. Blaine's speeches, please answer? Senator Caffrey of Louisiana regards Bryan as the candidate who favors "private robbery, spoliation and public dishonor."

On the Right Track. We are glad to welcome the accession of the Philadelphia Press to the list of Republican journals which decline to regard the money question, as it has been presented in the Chicago platform.

The strength of the silver movement now is wholly with the farmers and planters, whose complaint is in low prices. Nothing has contributed so much to that result as the tariff legislation which closed factories

and mills and lessened the demand for these agricultural products while opening the door to increased importations of foreign wheat and wool. The farmer exceeded the expenses as long as the Republicans were in control.

The silver question has figured in the problem to this extent: It has enabled the Democratic free traders to shift the issue away from the responsibility resting upon them as a consequence of the mischief wrought by the Wilson Bill.

WM. CONNELL FOR CONGRESS. From the Wilkes-Barre Record. The factional discord that has for years so crippled the party in Scranton is so rampant that the party in Scranton is so rampant that the party in Scranton is so rampant.

AN EXPENSIVE LUXURY. From the Troy Times. The Troy Times calls attention to a comprehensive article on the fifth page of today's issue from the Scranton Tribune.

REASON WILL CONQUER. From the Times-Herald. There will be a speaker on every stump this fall. The rural schoolhouses will throng with the perspiring eloquence of the young men.

WHAT IT WOULD MEAN. From the Times-Herald. Bryan's election would mean the foreclosure of every mortgage, the tightening of the grip of money-holders on their funds.

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