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THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

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LEGISLATIVE. For Senator, Twenty-first District, COL. W. J. SCOTT, of Nescopeck. Election Day, Nov. 3.

THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

I. Tariff, not only to furnish adequate revenue for the necessary expenses of the government, but to protect American la-bor 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 coinage 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, vicorous and dignified 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 sta-tion in the West Indies, 7. Protection of American citizens and property in Turkey. 8. Reassertion of the Monroe doctrine. Eventual withdrawni of European powers from this hemisphere and union of all English-speaking people on this continent, 9. The United States actively to use influ-ence to restore peace and give independence to Cuba. 10. Enlargement of the navy, defense of harbors and seacoasts. 11. Exclusion of illiterate and immoral immigrants. 12. Reapproval of the civil service law. 13. A free ballot and an honest count. 14. Condemnation of lynching. 15. Approval of national arbitration, 16, Ap proval of a free homestead law. 17. Admission of the remaining territories, repesentation for Alaska and abolition of with legitimate efforts to lessen intemper 19. Sympathetic reference to rights and interests of woman."-Con-

Remember, the gold standard is no novelty; no experiment. We have had it in full force since 1878. If it was such a bad thing all these years, why didn't the Democratic party say so be-

The Issue Well Stated.

"Do you consider the finanical question the main issue?" was recently asked of Mark Hanna. "When the other is repudiation, yes," Mr. Hanna replied. "There is no doubt about what the Republican party has stood for in the past, and that is what it stands for to-day. Many Republicans believe that the ills of to-day were wrought by departures from its principles of Protection, that the monetary troubles would never have become acute if there had been sufficient revenue derived from the coastwise tariff. But they have come and are acute, and as ever the Republican party is called free silver and we stand against quack nostrums and for paying full dollars

This expresses the situation to everybody's satisfaction. The tariff is the biggest issue, because in a wrong solution of that problem the currency question took root as a source of perplexity and mischief. But temporarily the money question occupies the middle of the forum, simply because on that subject there is less knowledge among the people than there is concerning the tariff. Before this campaign shall end, however, these relabeen reversed; because before that time the people will have realized the utter fatuity and futility of the free silver cry as an instrument for the betterment of business conditions.

The following declaration by the Republicans of Wisconsin will bear thoughtful study. It is true as gospel: "We believe that in the restoration to power in national affairs of the party that stands for a sound and stable currency-honest money with which to pay the wages of labor, buy the products of the farm and factory and carry on the business of the great protective taria the will protect all the people in evy country, give em bor, preserve rican producers

and at the same time give us enough revenue to pay the necessary expenses of carrying on the government, lies the only hope of a return to our former prosperity."

If free coinage carries, twenty-two western sliver-mine estates now worth \$547,000,000, stand to win double value on present holdings and future output; but who else would benefit? Not a liv-

"The Republican party stands for honest money and the chance to earn it by honest oil."

WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

The Chicago Times-Herald now joins as really the chief issue. It truely says: "Increase the tariff so that it will yield idequate revenue and protect languishing industries and the gold reserve will stand above the natural limit and capital will seek new channels of profitable venture, furnishing employment to thousands of idle men, thereby creating new markets for the products of the soil at prices that always follow a brisk demand." Under adequate protection our present money would again as formerly prove the best in the world.

The Third Ticket Movement.

By what process of intuition the socalled Sound Money Democracy whose representatives met last week in Indianapolis has reached the conclusion defeat to split the strength of his opponents in two of the doubtful states we know not. Nor do we have any trustworthy method of ascertaining. The ways of Democracy have always been full of mystery, and this characteristic is evidently going to descend to all the offspring fragments of the parent

But while on its surface this singular determination of the Indianapolis dissenters looks like nothing else so much as a specimen either of deliberate treachery or of almost incredible folly, yet we will not be in the least discouraged. We have little right to offer advice to Democrats. Their conduct in a national emergency is their own to govern as they shall see fit. No one has asked the politicians among them to vote for McKinley. No one therefore need be disappointed in case they do not support the real sound money candidate, but instead waste their ammu-

nition by a fruitless firing in the air. Yet it seems to us that it would be fair for these third ticket men to stop using the designation "sound money" in connection with their movement to assist the campaign for free silver. The only genuine sound money presidential candidate today before the American people; the only one who will be before them during the present campaign is William McKinley. The man who will not vote for him cannot with justice be called a sound money man. He who is not for McKinley must be He who is not for McKinley must be against him. There is no escape from the logic of this argument.

Fortunately the Republican party is strong enough, in its own name and in its own might, to elect McKinley president, with votes to spare. Hence it will not really matter what the other fel-

It is proper that David Martin should be heard in his own defense in reference to the charge of councilmanic bribery lately disclosed in Philadelphia before the Andrews committee. Only one side of the case has yet been presented. The presentation of the other side may pearance of things.

Involves a Moral Principle.

A private letter recently received from Judge Alfred Hand, who is passing the summer at Cottage City, Mass., contains a thought upon the money question worthy of reproduction. "It needs," mental fact that the Almighty has made any kind of flat money dishonest, and therefore in the end impossible of sucwas a miser to horde I would salt down made for a natural American exuberance greenbacks in preference, because for language. We playfully call the Dem greenbacks are the promise of the United States government to pay a dollar, and the dollar of the fathers was upon for the remedy. The others offer a gold dollar, worth at the time they to let the other fellow have his joke. But

fixed its value \$1.03 in silver. "The fathers," he continues, "never stamped a coin less than it was worth in order to make it worth more. They least that. Bryan wants to issue 53 black-hearted ruffian and ought to be hanged to a lamp-post." Suppose the cents and call it a dollar. What is this Texas journalists who abuse the "gold must make it worth a dollar, and worth now hur through the epithets which they now hur through the columns of meir papers. Would they need the protection dollar, which is a cheat of the roller to face with their opponents repeat the epithets which they now hur through the columns of meir papers. dollar. This is a law of finance fixed by the Almighty in human minds, as inexorable as the law of gravitation. The reign of the Almighty extends to moral dollar. This is a law of finance fixed by reign of the Almighty extends to moral tive positions will undoubtedly have laws as well as physical, and the people

> It would be pleasant, no doubt, for borrowers to get the chance to repay loans on the basis of 53 cents on the dollar; but unless the option comes voluntarily from the lenders of money it becomes fundamentally dishonest. Can a
> dishonest proposition long receive the approval of a majority of the American

President Harrison's administration paid \$258,192,900 on the public debt, and left in the treasury, when it went out country-and for a far and equitable of office, a clean surplus of \$124,128,087. Yet President Harrison's administrasection of the tion was conducted on the gold standent to American ard. Evidently the gold standard was

until the worst is proved.

Cause and Effect.

The New York World remarks: "A Republican candidate for congress in Pennsylvania accepts the nomination with the assertion that the tariff and not the currency is the main issue. This is not the way to win sound-money

By whom is this conceded? We have heard of no such concession. The Republicans won the congressional elecof the free traders, and the case in their favor is even stronger today than it was then. The Republican party has never intimated to anybody that it would in this campaign swallow its convictions on the tariff question; and if some of our Democratic friends have assumed that it would they have done so on their own responsibility.

The Republican candidate for congress who cails the tariff the main issue speaks the truth, whether he live in Pennsylvania or in Florida, in Maine or Texas. When the tariff was right the money system was right, too, and prosperity was general. Just as soon as the out of order. Consequently it would be absurd to say that the effect is the cause, when every sensible man knows

Restore protection and the money problem will solve itself.

"An honest dollar worth 100 cents "An honest dollar worth 100 cents everywhere cannot be coined out of 53 cents' worth of silver, plus a tegis-lative fiat."--Garret A. Hobart in His Speech of Acceptance.

His Speech of Acceptance.

elected." And there was only one of the party that could recall the name of Marshall Jewell without a nonplussed scratching of his head. It was Quay's philosophic way of sizing up the short-lived glories of the men who play the part of generalissimo for presidential candidates.

The New York Sun suggests that the energy and space now wasted on hypothetical estimates of the result of the next election could better be employed in the presentation of honest arguments. The point is well taken; still, we reserve our right to venture an occasional modest guess.

STOP CALLING NAMES.

From the Times-Herald.

Our advice to our allies in the fight for honest money to deal gently with the err-ing has been generally taken in good part. We may even indulge the conceit that it has greatly softened the asperities of the campaign. The very estimable New York Evening Post, which likes to prove its "doctrine orthodox by apostolic blows and knocks," admits that Mr. Bryan is a man of excellent character and not a blatherskite," and other valued journals public thought. We cannot say that the advocates of free silver have succumbed so quickly to rational example. They still seem to think that the question can be decided by the application of sixteen epithets to one gold man. The advocates of the existing standard are always "tools of Wall street" or paid "agents of trusts and corporations" to free silver editors. They are not willing to admit that a man dear to him as his family and cast uside all hope of political preferment in the future for the sake of a principle has not sold himself to the devil. We can assure them that they are wrong.

We once advised the New York editors to come west and see the people whom they were fond of calling "anarchists." now advise the western editors to secure eitdorial passes and the lairs of the "gold bug." modify materially the present ugly ap- assure them that many who advocate the gold standard are as poor as the poor est farmer in Kansas; that others would shoot the man who would offer them a bribe; that a vast majority of gold bugs never saw Wall street, know aught of its deviltries, despise stock gambling, and are plodding, sober, church-going, home-coming American citizens. They will not be deterred from doing their duty because our genial and urbane friends of the far west call them hard names. They will says he. " to be recognized as a funda- answer abuse with arguments and threats with votes, and they will remember their erring brethren in their prayers.

It should not be hard to convince the cess. As between silver even at 53 of the pothouse is not suited to the dis-American intelligence that the language cents in the dollar and greenbacks, if I cussion of matters whose gravity is everywhere recognized. Some excuse can be crats who met at the Coliseum crats." There is no offense in that. The prefer the more stately designation of 'sound money advocates' we are willing to denounce a man as criminal because be disagrees with you on a question which has muddled the brains of many generations is contemptible, un-American and intolerable. It is as if one were to say "The sun is 63,000,000 miles from the earth, stamped it \$1 beause it was worth at and if you don't believe it you are a but an attempt to cheat? If he wants bugs" were to come to Chicago or go to name a 'dollar of the fathers' now he of the United States will find it out in this crisis of their history as they did during the war."

while the assembled recutainlinists loaded their six-shooters? Then why do the Texas editors and Professor Andrew Dixon White feel privileged to insult the honesty and intelligence of their oppowhile the assembled repudiationists load-

If half that has been said about the designs and morals of the American people in the last month were true we might well tremble for the future of republican ployed than in cultivating the amenities of debate among civilized tribes. "Kee cool!" should be the motto of the hour.

A WAR ON LABOR.

From the Railway Age. The campaign for free silver is of its essence a war on the wage earner. The dvocates of free silver attempt and will continue to attempt to obscure the truly vital aspects of the controversy, with art to American ard. Evidently the gold standard was can producers all right then. Why has trouble since chiefly directed, may reasonably be dechiefly directed, may reasonably be dechiefly directed, may reasonably be declived by them, blinded by the direct and

tempting promise of an increase in the price of his products. With the wage-earner the case is different. Every argu-ment which the advocate of free silver The report has been revived that Senator Cameron will be a candidate for relection; but we see no reason yet to call him, as this report in effect does, a liar. Let us believe the best of him certainty of lower wages with which to do

ROOT OF THE TROUBLE.

From the Philadelphia Press. Price has steadily fallen in this country since January, 1891, when the country was on the crest of the wave of prosperity due to the McKinley tariff. Price has fallen because consumption has been reduced. Bradstreet's table of Democratic votes to McKinley. Without a large accession of such votes it is now conceded that the Republican ticket cannot be elected."

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Hadstreet at table of procession of such votes it is shown that hides and leather are the only articles higher than then. On the average, taking ninety-nine articles of leading consumption, prices are 78.31 per cent. of the prices ruling January 1, 1891. The twin reasons are plain. Tariff agitation has destroyed consumption. Factories have been closed or are running on short time. The rate of wages has not been greatly altered, but their regularity has been impaired. All classes in the community, beginning with factory opera-tives and going out in wider and wider circles, have reduced consumption, and a very small reduction in price will produce a very large reduction in price. In addition the expansion of the country has been abruptly checked by doubt as to the currency. Railroad building is a third of the average and a sixth of a full year. The entire work of developing new prop-

erties has been stopped until men know in what dollars their returns are to come in. These two causes have reduced consumption on a vast scale, and reduced consumption has reduced prices. The way to restore prices is not to double dollars, but to double current industry by restor ing protection and giving currency a sour basis by electing McKinley and Hobart,

SENATOR QUAY'S QUESTION.

Penn." in Philadelphia Bulletin. In 1888, when Senator Quay was sur-rounded with parasites at the national headquarters, and he was hailed as the greatest chairman the party ever had, he told a visiting party of his Philadelphians one day that just as likely as not he one day that just as likely as not he would be forgotten in the course of a few years. "By the bye," he said, in his dry quizzical fashion, "since you are all talking about this place, can any of you remember who had it when Garfield was elected." And there was only one of the native that could read the same of the party that could read the same of the

WANTS THE BEST.

There is no foreign domination in the government of this country-never was since 1812, and never will be. Uncle Sam runs his own house and makes his own rules. He is able to control his own currency, and naturally, being in position to get the best, he considers the best just barely good enough for him.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe cast: 1.44 a, m., for Monday, Aug. 10, 1896.

88 8 88° A child born on this day will notice that the faults of our enemies always seem the

most glaring. Lackawanna Bryanites probably hesitate about forming campaign clubs beof the ticket should read Watson or Sew

It begins to look as though it would be necessary for Mr. Singerly to swear the peace on some of the enthusiastic Bryanites of Scranton before the campaign Midsummer Jingle.

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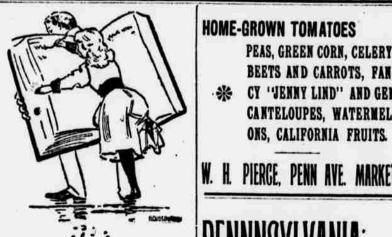
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