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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 coinage of silver except by international agreement with the leading commercial nations of the world. 4. Pensions and preferences for veteras of the Union preferences for veterans of the Union army, 5. A firm, visorous and dignified foreign policy. 6. The Hawaiian Islands to be controlled by the United States; the Otherwise, they should be for McKinley, Nicaraguan canal to be built; a naval state. tion in the West Indies. 7. Protection of American citizens and property in Turkey. 8. Reassertion of the Monroe decirite. Eventual withdrawat of European powers from this hemisphere and union of all English-speaking people on this continent. 9. The United States actively to use influ-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. Approval of a free homestead law. 17. Admission of the remaining territories, repwith legitimate efforts to lessen intemperance. 19. Sympathetic reference to "the rights and interests of woman."—Condensed by the Times-Herald.

Protection means plenty of work at good wages. The gold standard means that all dollars shall have equal purchasing power. The two combined have always brought and will always bring prosperity.

Coming to Their Senses.

We consider the address of the Utah Republican executive committee, which appears on our second page, one of the most significant public deliverances of the present campaign. In imitating the recent action of the Republican execof sober reason and common sense ov t

In brief, this address, while yielding nothing of its fondness for free coinage, calls attention to the fact that even if free coinage were to be estabno relief to the honest workingman and therefore fall in its chief purpose, that nothing in the past record of the Democratic party gives silver Republicans the right to expect that that party would have either the good faith or the requisite legislative ability to redeem its present free coinage pledge if continued in power. Lastly, since the Republicans of Utah are in complete sympathy with every plank of the Republican national platform save only the money plank, and are just as completely out of sympathy with every plank in the Democratic national platform save the free coinage plank, the address urges them to trust in Republican intelligence and fairness to find eventually an acceptable solution of

It is unfortunate that this spirit of the majority did not find carlier manifestation among the leading Republicans of the silver-mining states. Had It done so; had there been no attempt at Washington by the senators from those states to hold up needed revenue legislation out of pique because the majority would not swallow its sound money convictions, and, finally, had the attitude of the national delegates from those states been less dictatorial and defiant at St. Louis, it is our opinion that the Republican national platform would to-day hold out to the silver element some prospect of recognition anterior to the consummation of an international bimetallic agreement.

That, however, is now past and gone the issue has been drawn too tautly for present compromise, and the question before all Republicans friendly to silver is whether they can afford to permit that one cause of bias to lead them off into a strange camp, which not only stands for an uncertain and untrustworthy promise of free silver, but also for free trade, the degredation of the supreme court into a tribunal question, a question of right or wrong. England and a great many people com-

of pettifoggers, mob rule and all the other odious "isms" of Populism and class prejudice. It is a good sign that the Republicans of the west are beginning to awaken to the folly of riding their free coinage hobby into the ditch of the promiscuous chaos typified by the candidacy of William Jennings

Considering the weather, Bryan certainly has kept up the motion of talking with a zeal worthy of a better for his future if he would tal... ess and

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

WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

Sibley says he is sorry he didn't run for second place with Bryan. Well, the chances are both Sewall and Watson would part with their empty honor for a modest consideration.

The Issue in Brief.

After all, the real point in this free Free Silver and silver discussion is very simple.

Do the men and women of Scranton who have worked hard to put savings in the banks or in the building and lean associations want those savings returned to them in 50-cent dollars having only half the buying power of the dollar put in?

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Do the men and women who work for wages want those wages paid, when earned, in inferior dollars, the coinage of which, they tell us, will at once make dear the prices of the things we have to buy?

Protection and Sound Money.

Although the Philadelphia regiments are not wholly satisfied with the latest ratings of National Guard, they have otherwise would receive. The capitalist employer, with his investments in land. the good sense to admit that the Thirence to Cuba. 10. Enlargement of the ence to Cuba. 10. Enlargement of the navy, defense of harbors and seaconsts. This is a fact worthy of grateful acknowledgment.

Bryan a Rabid Free Trader.

In a speech delivered in General resentation for Alaska and abolition of Weaver's congressional district in Iowa carpet-bag federal officers. 18 Sympathy in 1894 William Jennings Bryan, the Weaver's congressional district in Iowa present apostle of free silver, made this remarkable declaration:

> PROTECTION IS A SYSTEM OF TAX-ATION WHICH IS LEGALIZED ROB-BERY, CONCEIVED IN INIQUITY AND BORN IN FRAUD AND CORRUPTION, I DO NOT BELIEVE IN STOPPING UNTIL THE LAST VESTIGE OF PROTECTION IS ERADICATED FROM LEGISLATION.

> The wage-earners of Scranton, during the past three years, have had practical of Protection." Were the results such as to cause them to vote for the completion of the job?

The Times' Washington correspondent speaks, on the sixth page of yesterday's issue, of the improbability of the elecutive committee of Colorado in indora- tion of Bryan, and says that even if ing McKinley, the Republicans of Utah Bryan should win, there would be simply give evidence of the triumph enough sound money members of the senate "to stand like a stone wall against the onslaught of the dozen representatives of the silver producing inter-mountain states who are determined that this country shall adopt a financial policy which will cut us off lished in company with free trade, as from equal commercial relations with the Democrats propose, it would bring Europe and place us instead upon a plane with Mexico and the Central American republics." Evidently the Furthermore, the address points out Times Washington correspondent does not read the Times' editorial page.

> The Rochester Post-Express is evidently prospering in spite of these Democratic times. It has just moved into a handsome seven-story, fire-proof home. equipped with the best conveniences. The Post-Express always was a good newspaper, but since its politics underwent renovation a few months ago it has been one of the very best in the country. All admirers of honest journalism will note with pleasure these latest evidences that its merit is being suitably appreciated.

Because Senator Cameron's friends helped Representative Kunkel, of Dauthe silver problem, and advises them phin to a re-nomination it has been inin the meantime to support McKinley ferred in certain quarters that Senaor Cameron is himself a candidate for reasonable acquiesence in the will of follow. A man even when not a candiment says: "Redeemable in gold." So re-election. This does not necessarily date for office can remember a friend. Let Cameron have fair play. There is man who doesn't own silver, who doesn't no reason as yet to fear that he will sell silver, who gets paid in gold values to have silver cost more? succeed himself in the United States

> With its issue of Monday the now a senator from Utah, expound the silver side of the free coinage question, and the went on to explain, first, that prices of eighteenth year of continuous publication. The Review is the ploneer penny local daily in Pennsylvania and since is has been under the management of the McKee brothers has been it had been—they had a 50 per cent. adone of the best. The Tribune wishes it many more happy anniversaries.

The day after Mr. Singerly declared in his newspaper that he would stick as a Democratic candidate for presidential elector, he resigned. He did well. No man ought to be a candidate for office on a platform which he does

At Pittsburg Mr. Bryan truly said: "Every political question must, if it remains before the public long, be advocates. He offered a prize for a man based upon economic truths, and every who would write the best essay to show economic question is at last a moral that China and India and other silver using

come to vote on the proposition to oin 53-cent dollars.

Bryan argues that free silver would double money and prices, yet not incause. But it would be a good thing crease taxation. But if it doubles prices, wouldn't he and the other politicians want double pay?

> The reputable physicians of Mich'gan have banded together for a legislative war upon the omnipresent quack. Quackery is a good thing to suppress in all walks of life.

Denial is made that Bryan is in the pay of the silver ring. He certainly isn't hired by gold men, and his income must have some source.

Since free silver means a doubled explain how it can be made to give the workingman a doubled income?

the Workingman

Ex-Congressman John DeWitt Warner, in the Chicago Record.

In practice free coinnge at 16 to 1 means partial repudiation of our national debt; spoilation of every creditor, savings bank depositor, life or industrial insurance pol-icy holder and pensioner; the hampering of our trade by conditions such as in wages and wants them low; the wage Mexico and China tax merchants to support exchange brokers, and the lowering, until after years of readjustment, of the purchasing power of salaries and wages. To the extent that free coinage would raise prices it would effectually reduce wages. If the wage earners of this coun-

would do if we had free coinage, the men who would profit are bankers, who own the gold, and who would be permitted to pay their depositors in depreciated silver. It would be their depositors, who, hav-ing deposited money as good as gold, would be forced to accept depreciated silver instead. The insurance companies would profit, whose thousands of millions of investments are so largely in mortgages, by their terms made payable in gold. The widow and the orphan would suffer by having their policies paid in silver, whose purchasing price would be only me-half as much as the gold that they in factories and in every class of wealth, would see them double in price upon his hands almost at once. His employe would he paid in a currency which would buy only half as much, and would thus have his actual wages reduced to just that ex-

The free coinage advocates say gold has risen in value. Suppose that this is true, what is its effect upon our wage carners, the majority of our voters? Take your newspapers and look at wholesale prices of goods and food. You will find that they hange daily and sometimes repeatedly within the day. As to retail prices, you know-or if you don't your wife doesthat they change pretty often-in some things every month or two and in some things every week or two. Now take wages. You know that changes are comparatively rare-generally not more than once or twice a year and often only once or twice in two or three years. What does that mean? It means that the price of labor is more conservative than are the prices of the goods that labor buys. Hence experience with a partial "cradication if our currency is appreciating so as to ske a dollar buy more goods there will be weeks, months, perhaps years, during which, while wages have not changed, a man will be able to buy more with them. In other words, the appreciation of gold. o long as wages are paid on a gold standard, means that every laborer gets more and more for the same amount of vages. And that is certainly a good thing for wage earners.

Take the opposite case. I have no doubt that free silver legislation would in a neasure accomplish what is friends claim soon raise the price of everything that is bought to nearly, if not quite, double its present rate. Does any one im-agine that wages would be doubled at Don't some of you remember how it was in war time? Don't you know that you would wait months and years for the slow process of readjustment by strikes and lockouts before your wages would finally be raised in proportion? With the wage earner, therefore, the free silver case stands thus: The appreciation of gold, of which the free silver people com gold, of which the free silver people com-plain, is the very process that will give him more and more for the wages he gets. The inflation of prices the silver men are lighting for is the very thing that will reduce the purchasing power of the wages he gets and will thus decrease his wages. It may be that wages are too high in this country now. Personally I do not believe such to be the case. they are too high however and it sirable that they should be cut down then let us have that issue frankly stated. But let not our free coinage friends clamor for legislation, the first effect o which would be to reduce by one-half the wages that each laboring man receives. and at the same time invite laboring metelling them what the real effect would be

Our silver friends say: "Would it not be a good thing to have appreciation of silver?" Why? If the laboring men of this country wanted to sell silver or were being pald in silver there might be some sense in it. But the laboring men of this country are being paid in gold, not silver, What I mean is this: You take a silver in it. You stamp the government's in lorsement upon it. It then passes for a that our laborers are now getting paid in gold values. What good would it do a

But there is another way to look at it. About a year ago I heard Mr. Cannon, goods were low here because they were measured in gold, and then that on account of our wages here being paid in gold-which was costly-and wages in In-dia, China and Japan being paid in silver iriven from the world's market. Do you see what that means? Foreign wages are so much lower than ours that, unless prices are inflated here in this country so that our gold wages will buy no more than their silver wages foreign employ ers will have an advantage. Such is the argument. In other words, the proposition for free coinage of silver is practically a proposition to cut the wages of the laborers of this country squarely in half in order to increase the profits of our employers.

One more illustration: Sir Henry Mey-

countries can obtain his labor at half th countries can obtain his labor at hair the cost which he formerly paid." A similar view is taken by Senor Romero, the Mexican minister at Washington, in his article in the North American Review for June, 1895, when he asserts that the depreciation of silver has favored Mexican capitalists by choosusing the dollars in capitalists by cheapening the dollars in which they pay their employes. There is the silver question in a mushell. It is simply a question as to whether our wage carners are getting too high wages. They may as well face the question. If wage carners believe they are getting too high wages and that this country is suffering in consequence all they have to do is to take lower wages. If they prefer a roundabout way they can favor free colnage of silver and they will get their wages cut down half without any further trouble on their part.

Personally, I do not believe that free coinage at 16 to 1 or at any other ratio will help the American farmer. But sup-pose it would do so. What would be the effect even then upon American wage cost of living, why don't the Bryanites earners? The farmer's interest is to have everything how it can be made to give possible-and since he is the greatest employer of labor in America, he is most in-terested in cutting down the wages of labor so as to get his hired help cheap. The farmer wants free silver in order to make bread and meat dear and wages low. The wage earner's interest is to have bread and meat cheap and wages high. If free silver coinage did all that the farmer claims for it, it would help the farmer claims for it, it would help the farmer classes at the expense of the wage earners. It is easy to see why the farmer wants to try the experiment. But why should the wage earner help him? The farmer sells bread and meat and wants them dear; the wage carner buys them and wants them cheap. The farmer pays earner receives them and wants them high.
The farmer has started a free coinage crusade for dear food and low wages; wage earners will know better than to help him against themselves.

In the light of our experiece with fiat try want this, they have the votes and can have it. If they do not want it, they have the votes and can defeat it.

If we went to a silver basis, as we would do if we had free coinage, the men dollar into any man's pocket unless it. first takes it from the pocket of some other man, and that wage earners are first and most interested in opposing interference by law. There has never yet been made a law to put into any laboring man's pocket a single dollar that he did not earn. He of all men, therefore, has the best right to insist that there shall be no law passed that will raise the price of what he has to buy, and thus take from him some por-tion of what he has earned.

A GOOD, CLEAN TICKET. From the Green Ridge Item.

The Republican ticket is a good clean ticket and will receive the hearty support of all the Republicans in the county. It is only a question of the size of the ma-jority. This is no time for kicking as the country needs the votes of every citizen who believes in upholding the national honor and the prosperity of the working-man; free trade fooled the masses four years ago, but free trade and free silver coupled with Altgeld, Tillman and anarchy will not go down this year. Pro-tection, Prosperity and Progress will be the Republican campaign slogan and with that able statesman, William McKinley, at the head of our ticket, victory will be

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe cast: 3.16 a. m., for Wednesday, Aug. 12, 1896.

ST @ % A child that's born upon this day But through this week 'tis safe to say That he will cut no ice.

The Bailey, Boland and Burke junta should be granted belligerent rights in their warfare upon Singerly and Harrity. William Whitney will do well to retire to his degout before the oratorical eyclone from Nebraska strikes New York. Local Democratic enthusiasm this year reminds one of the excitement in a graveyard at midnight. Lockjaw seems to be the complaint most

to be feared by Bryanites. Ajacchus Advice.

Don't wear wool sweaters and rattlesnake stockings.

Don't hold your best girl's hand. Don't talk about the weather. Don't relate stale jokes. Don't drink warm tea,

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