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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. Reciprocity agreements for open markets and discriminating duties in favor of the American merchant marine. 3. Maintenance of the gold standard and opposition to free coinage of silver except by international agreement with the leading commercial nations of the world. 4. Fidelity and preference for veterans of the Union army. 5. A firm, vigorous and dignified foreign policy. 6. The Hawaiian Islands to be controlled by the United States. 7. 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. 9. Eventual withdrawal of European powers from this hemisphere and union of all English-speaking people on this continent. 10. The United States actively to use influence to restore peace and give independence to Cuba. 10. Enlargement of the navy, destruction of harbors and sea-coasts. 11. Exclusion of illiterate and immoral immigrants. 12. Repeal of the civil service law. 13. A free ballot and an honest count. 14. Commendation 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 the Territory of New Mexico. 18. Sympathy with legitimate efforts to lessen interference. 19. Sympathetic reference to "the rights and interests of woman."—Condensed by the Times-Herald.

Considering the advertising he had, Mr. Bryan ought hereafter to experience little difficulty in doubling his lecture rates.

Pick Out a Fit Man.

An eloquent argument is made in the Philadelphia Press for the election of a Philadelphian to the seat about to be vacated by Senator Cameron. In addition to pointing out the fact that Philadelphia has not in 63 years been represented by one of its citizens in the national senate, the Press suggestively adds:

There is a valid and substantial reason underlying this claim. The chief city of a state is the focus of its commercial and industrial life. Its currents radiate through the States and the interests of the state center in its activities. It has its own energies and it draws to itself the energies of the commonwealth. No man can make a good senator for Philadelphia without making a good senator for the state. The movement for the election of a Philadelphian of high ability, character and standing should thus enlist the earnest zeal of our own citizens and secure the approval and support of all Pennsylvanians. We ought to have a strong, vigorous, weighty, influential representative. He should be familiar with practical affairs, thoroughly acquainted with the great business, commercial and industrial interests of the city and the state, and capable of serving them effectively and successfully. He should command the full confidence of the people, and be competent to represent their will in committee and on the floor.

It is only fair to say that this statement of the situation admits of little dispute. But it is equally true that the Republicans of Philadelphia have not yet manifested a disposition to prove, as the Press says, "a worthy of the opportunity by presenting a candidate who shall be worthy of the senatorship." At the present time only two Philadelphians are in the field as active aspirants for the honor. One of these, State Senator Penrose, was recently deemed by his fellow-citizens of Republican faith unworthy to be mayor of his native city and can therefore hardly expect to be presented by them for a much higher honor. The other candidate, ex-Postmaster General Wanamaker, is unquestionably of larger caliber, yet if he were not rich himself and backed by a combination of immensely richer corporate influences, it is morally certain that his candidacy would not command a single vote. Great as is the power of money in procuring access to the American senate, a state like Pennsylvania ought to set the good example of establishing the infinitely higher test of merit.

If merit were the test, instead of pull or cash, can any one doubt whom Philadelphia would present as its Philadelphian choice? The editor of the Press will pardon us for suggesting that until the city of Brotherly Love shall offer a candidate like Hon. Charles Emory Smith it need not expect to have a clear pathway to representation in the upper branch of congress.

We will wager a pipkin that General Harrison's Carnegie hall speech will win votes.

In our judgment the most thorough reply yet made to Bryan's Madison Square Garden speech is that by Professor George Gunton, of New York

city, which we publish in this issue. We recommend all persons who are in doubt on this money question to read with care Professor Gunton's argument. It is not long but it is chock full of strong points. By all means read it.

"I do not know what you think about it, but I believe that it is a good deal better to open the mills of the United States to the labor of America than to open up the mints of the United States to the silver of the world." WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

Generalissimo Garman has already begun to issue earnest calls, but the volunteers don't appear to be in frantic eagerness to respond to them.

Another Challenge.

As showing the relative progress of the United States in population and in the principal elements of wealth and welfare under the gold standard the following table, compiled by Edward Atkinson from statements given in chapter I, volume II of Professor N. S. Shaler's work upon the "United States of America," is worthy of study:

Table with 3 columns: Item, Per Cent of Gain, and Value. Items include population, national expenditures, national taxation, national debt, exports and imports, moving merchandise, postal receipts, agricultural products, railroad mileage, and wages.

BOURKE COCKRAN'S SPEECH.

Walter Wellman in Times-Herald. Mr. Cockran was superb. I am within bounds when I say that no audience in this country has ever heard a more eloquent, more forceful, more perfect political oration than that which poured from the lips of this Irish-American in a sweeping, irresistible torrent.

We invite a careful reading of the foregoing table and make this voluntary offer: If any advocate of free silver can point us to a single silver-standard country where similar progress has been made in an equal period of time, we will at once null down the Republican ticket which heads this page and substitute in its place the names of Bryan and Sewall.

"The trouble is that we have lost the foreign markets," says Senator Burrows, "and the foreigners have captured ours." And this not by the crime of 1873, but by the stupidity of 1892.

The American Volunteer Movement. The American Volunteer movement has now passed the experimental stage and has become an obvious fixture in religious work. It has been shown conclusively that there is an ample field for it, which can be occupied without detriment to any other agency for human betterment. In our own community it has grown steadily, both in numbers and usefulness; but the opportunities for its beneficent increase are such as to make highly desirable a larger measure of substantial cooperation on the part of the public-spirited citizens of Scranton than has hitherto been forthcoming.

Preparations are being com...

an important mass meeting at the Linden street tent tomorrow. Colonel Patten Watkins, of New York, whom all Scrantonians know and esteem, will be present and conduct the services. It is her desire, as well as the wish of those in local command of the Volunteer work, that an attendance of representative citizens will signalize the occasion and contribute to its success. Of the merits of the movement so much has been said that repetition would be useless. But any who may not be fully informed as to the details should gain a knowledge of them by hearing Colonel Watkins.

The words of Lincoln, so aptly quoted by McKinley, are rich with instruction for all time: "That some should be rich shows that others may become rich, and hence is just encouragement to industry and enterprise. Let no man who is homeless pull down the house of another but let him work diligently and build one for himself, thus, by example, assuring that his own shall be safe from violence when built."

Whenever the silver kings will agree to pay a silver dollar for 53 cents' worth of value it will be time to talk of giving them a dollar for 53 cents' worth of silver. Until then the best plan is to keep the currency honest.

It is, of course, still a trifle early to make definite predictions; but it is a coincidence worth noting that there is no longer any serious expectation that Bryan will win. His chances are the reverse of 16 to 1.

It is a good thing that the political morals of ex-Congressman Breckinridge of Kentucky are better than his personal ones. Still, we don't think he adds much to the cause of sound money.

An honest and equitable assessment of property in this city would give it all the revenue it needs without increase of the rate. Such an assessment will have to come, some day.

You can't get around the fact that stamping 63 cents' worth of silver bullion as legal tender for one dollar of debt is essentially dishonest.

Senator Hill's predicament is no doubt very sad; but it is only one of the logical penalties of a failure to have definite convictions.

IN A NUT SHELL.

From the Lumber Trade Journal. To a man who has no money there are several ways to get it, namely: (a) Steal it. (b) Borrow it. (c) Barrow it. (d) Secure it by gift. (e) Trade something for it.

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This brings us to (c) which is the way most money is obtained. A pertinent question for each of us to ask at this time is, "What have I got to trade for money which I want? It may be labor, it may be a horse or cow, it may be lumber or shingle, it may be a sawmill. At the present time we can trade any of the above and get a gold dollar for every dollar's worth of value as may be agreed upon between buyer and seller. We can get a dollar which is worth a dollar anywhere and everywhere.

Now your labor or horse or cow or lumber or machinery will be worth just as much next year as it is this, but if we have free coinage at 16 to 1 will the dollar which you get in trade be worth as much as the dollar you can get now? What will that be worth? Consider you tell me. It may be worth 35 cents or more or less; one day this, one day that, but can any one tell? These are all pertinent questions, and, when you have considered them, guide us in voting at the next election in November, and do not lose sight of the fact that if all the silver in the world is coined into money you will not get a cent of it except by a, b, c, d or e above referred to.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Anacehus The Tribune Astrologer. Astralcast east: 2:01 for Saturday, Aug. 22, 1896.

In the opinion of a child born on this day business would be much better if there were not so many people about us who are constantly on the watch for the bogie man.

Collector Herring has not yet announced that he will stamp in the interest of the currency of Mr. Burke for county commissioner?

Our Democratic friends are beginning to remember that Bryan and bluff both with both with both.

Ex-Sheriff Fahy contemplates consulting a mind reader to determine whether or not he is in politics this fall.

MY BEST GIRL.

Written for The Tribune. Her hair is not of golden tint, Her lips lack cherry-red, Her cheeks are not of rose-pink, Nor has she queenly head.

be able to conceive the effect produced by the manner in which these arguments were hurled at the great audience tonight. They came in the flowing floods of words of ever-increasing rapidity and forcefulness, in torrents which grew and accumulated till they swept everything before them and stirred the great concourse of people to unexampled enthusiasm.

THE FIGHT IN THIS STATE.

Concerning the campaign in Pennsylvania Chairman Elkin says: "The issues are the most important that have engaged the attention of American people since the breaking down of the old party lines in 1860. Many of our voters do not fully appreciate the importance of waging an aggressive campaign in Pennsylvania. Our citizens are moved by the same motives, fears and prejudices that are common to the citizens of other states. It requires an active campaign to educate the great mass of voters on the issues which divide the political parties at the present time in Pennsylvania, just as much as in the other states of the Union."

"Inasmuch as we are looked on as a safely Republican state, it is often thought that the silver campaign work is not necessary. No greater mistake could be made. All Pennsylvanians are proud of the position our state has occupied in the political history of the country. In order to maintain our present position it is necessary to complete an effective organization in every part of the state. While it is all right and very desirable that the national committee should be aided in every way possible yet I am strongly impressed with the idea that our own state should not be neglected."

ON THE RIGHT SIDE.

From the Globe-Democrat. It is a fact of the country that the religious papers of the country are unanimously opposed to the Chicago platform. The explanation lies, of course, in their obligation to be on the right side of moral questions.

Virgo begins today, August 22, and continues until September 23. Children born between these dates belong to the solar plexus of the grand body, which controls the direct forces, but are natural students of the laws of health, being true children of nature. They have great endurance and their eyes are keen and discriminating, and in literary work they often excel. Their sense of feeling is acute and they cannot bear the least pain or hurt. These persons have an extremely strong love nature, but have great power of self control. As a rule there are no women so truly devoted as those born under the sign of Virgo.

Of the children of Virgo the ancient astrologers speak as follows: "So likewise, a man born when the sun is in Virgo should make him fortunate especially in household affairs, wife, true, stout and ambitious. Moreover he shall be so given to boasting and babbling that he cannot hide his deep feeling of his own superiority; he shall be fair of face and comely-bodied; a lover of woman and delighting to be in the favor of great men and princes. A maid born when the sun is in Virgo shall be witty, honest and shame-faced, well-meaning, courteous; but soon angry. She shall marry about the age of sixteen years."

Person born under the sign of Virgo should never take strong doses of emetic or cathartic medicine. They should avoid all exciting scenes and conditions.

Weather and Other Predictions for the Coming Week.

Sunday, Aug. 23.—Mercury square to Saturn. Weather cool. A child born on this day will be clever but unlucky. Unlucky up to 3 p. m.

Monday, Aug. 24.—Sun quiescent to Neptune. Weather cool. A child born on this day will be careless, untruthful and indolent. Avoid females and ask no favors.

Tuesday, Aug. 25.—Mercury semi-square to Jupiter. Weather fair. A child born on this day will lead a quiet life. Doubtful day for business.

Wednesday, Aug. 26.—Neptune square to Mars. Weather fine. A child born on this day will be active and energetic, but not very fortunate. Travel but do not speculate or buy.

Thursday, Aug. 27.—Mercury visible in the evening. Weather fine. A child born on this day will be fortunate. Hay and stock work well by business.

Friday, Aug. 28.—Weather probably fair. A child born on this day will be fortunate in the employ of others but not otherwise. Stock work and business.

Saturday, Aug. 29.—Venus square to Neptune. Weather warm, showers probable. A child born on this day will be fond of pleasurable excursions, but unsteady, sell before 11 a. m. evil for all else.

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