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THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

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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.

"It is not more money we want; what we want is to put the money we already have to work. When money is employed men are employed."

WILLIAM MCKINLEY. Bryan came into "the enemy's country," and left it again. And it appears to be "the enemy's country" still.

Patriotic Vermont.

The vibrations of the opening gun of the campaign fired in Vermont are like sweet music in the ears of the patriotic. In the face of the bluff and bluster that has been raised by the disciples of discontent the Green Mountain state has exhibited her patriotism by doubling usual majorities in the interest of protection, honest money and good government.

Base Ball Enterprise.

The last of the series of Eastern League base ball games will begin in Scranton today, when the home team will be pitted against the Wilkes-Barre club and some excellent contests may be expected.

Neighbors Interested in the National Game.

Persons interested in the national game will do well to show their appreciation of the enterprise of the association by liberal patronage during the balance of the season, that the owners may feel encouraged to make greater efforts for success next year.

A Pleasing Instance of Thrift and Business Enterprise in the Electric City.

The plant of this institution was almost entirely destroyed by fire in the Coal Exchange on Sunday morning. Yesterday the announcement was made that the offices of the establishment had already been opened in the Mears' building and that business would be transacted as usual in the new quarters.

History of Our Coinage—III.

BY JOHN SHERMAN. Prior and subsequent to 1873 many changes were made in coinage by the leading countries of the world. Germany, in 1871, changed its standard from silver to gold.

by the majority of hypnotized subjects of free silver orators. The combination of Populists and Democrats in Susquehanna county, however, will make no perceptible difference in results at election, so far as the Republican vote is concerned, as the Populists are principally ex-Greenbackers, Prohibitionists and political malcontents who have not affiliated with either the Republican or Democratic party since the Greenback craze that placed Justice J. B. McCollum on the bench.

The Populistic rainbow chaser appears to have stumbled against a rock up in Vermont.

"I do not know what you think about it, but I believe that it is a good deal better to open the mints 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. So long as Turkey remains on the map of the world European powers have no right to pose as Christian nations.

Better Times Ahead.

Orator Bryan declares that "we are but upon the threshold of a period of depression which is indefinite in duration and cannot be described in intensity." This assertion, like many others made by the misguided young candidate, is a falsehood. If Bryan and the dangerous policy that he represents could triumph at the coming election, it is probable that his dire predictions would be fulfilled with a vengeance.

With the election of William McKinley as president of the United States, confidence will be restored; the wheels of industry will hum again and prosperity will smile on the land. We are going to have good times and a prosperous future because the voters of this country have had enough of experiment and can be relied upon to cast their ballots on the right side when patriotism and national honor are arrayed against anarchy and repudiation.

If, according to silverite theories, wages were increased and the advanced price of farm products and manufactured articles increased the cost of living also, who would be benefited by the change? All admit that a season of financial panic and business chaos would surely follow an attempt to readjust our currency system.

And it is hereby declared to be the policy of the United States to continue the use of both gold and silver as standard money, and to coin both gold and silver into money of equal intrinsic and exchangeable value, such equality to be secured through international agreement, or by such safeguards of legislation as will insure the maintenance of the parity in value of the coins of the two metals and the equal power of every dollar at all times in the markets and in the payment of debts.

This declaration, made by congress and approved by the president at a time when the public mind was centered upon the silver question, is a wise statement of public policy that ought to be acted upon without regard to party divisions. This bill passed a house of representatives fresh from the people by the vote of 239 yeas to 118 nays, and the senate by the vote of 43 yeas against 32 nays. This act was not a party vote, but it is, I believe, the expression of opinion of a majority of the two great parties of the country. And here we ought to stand.

GOLDEN NUGGETS.

Selections from Newspaper Columns That Show the Folly of Debasing a Currency.

While the debt-paying power of silver is doubled, the purchasing power will be reduced one-half. There is not a man, be he laborer on the street or president of the United States, but would find that his daily wages or his yearly salary went only half as far as it went in the days when silver was kept at par with gold. There is not a widow or an orphan but would find that the life insurance policy was worth in purchasing power but half of what it would have been worth, or a pensioner but would find that his \$12 a month was worth but \$6. And some men are persuaded that by such a policy prosperity can be restored to the land.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

CHEATING THE CREDITOR.

If these glorifiers of the old order of things could restore the conditions that prevailed previous to 1873, and make the market value of silver what it was then, they would not want free coinage. There would be nothing in it for them. They could do better by selling their silver in the form of bullion than by having it coined into dollars. What they really want is cheap money, a kind of money which creditors can be cheated. They are not trying to get back to its old place, and re-establish the monetary system that existed before the "great crime" was committed.

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MINTS AND MILLS.

The mints cannot make a bushel of wheat worth a dollar. Mills which build up new towns and people them with prosperous communities that increase the consumption of breadstuffs will raise the price of wheat quicker than all the free coinage laws that can be enacted. The mints cannot create prosperity or happiness. The opportunity to earn the best money in the world by legitimate industry is the plan proposed by Major McKinley. No sensible or honest American expects to get money in any other way. Idle workmen want the wages of the mills; the mints can give them nothing.—Chicago Times-Herald.

A WORD TO DEMOCRATS.

To establish the policy of free coinage of silver on individual account at the ratio of 16 to 1 would be to set aside the principle which has supported us since the birth of our republic, and to make a currency that would be cheaply acquired by some and dearly obtained by others. It would be class legislation as grossly unjust as any that ever provoked a revolution. It would be favoritism more outrageous than any perpetrated by the McKinley tariff bill or contemplated by Haines in case he has the opportunity to make another McKinley tariff. The proposition to print into treasury notes all paper of a certain class brought to the government printing office at Washington would be scouted as a preposterous scheme for enriching paper manufacturers. How does the News-Dealer front the prospect of the coin into legal tender dollars all the silver that the mine owners may bring there?—Boston Post.

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