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PRELIMINARY WORK.

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platform is a lengthy and strong document. The platform opens: "We, Democrats of the United States in convention assembled, do reaffirm our allegiance to those great and essential principles of justice and liberty upon which our institutions are founded and which the Democratic party has advocated from Jefferson's time to our own, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of conscience, the preservation of personal rights, the equality of all citizens before the law and the faithful observance of the Constitutional limitations. Recognizing that the money question is paramount to all others at this time, and as the Constitution names silver and gold money as money metals of the United States and the first coinage and mintage law passed by Congress under the Constitution made the silver dollar the unit of value and admitted gold to free coinage at a ratio measured by the silver mint, we declare the act of '73 demonizing silver without knowledge or approval of the American people, has resulted in the appreciation of gold, and a corresponding fall in the prices of commodities produced by the people; a heavy and burdensome taxation and of all debts public and private; the enrichment of the money lending class at home and abroad; prostrating industry and impoverishment of the people. We are unalterably opposed to the single gold standard, which has locked fast the prosperity of an industrial people, in paralyzed hard times, gold monometalism and British policy, and its adoption has brought other nations into financial servitude to London. This is not only un-American but anti-American and can be fastened on the United States only by stilling that indomitable spirit and love of liberty which proclaimed our people's independence in '76, and won it the war of the revolution; we demand that the silver dollar be a full legal tender for all debts. When Daniel took the chair he announced no business except by unanimous consent. Rev. Dr. E. Green, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, offered prayer. There was a great demonstration when the Bland Club, with banners flowing, entered the hall. The New York delegates are still in caucus, fighting over the question raised last night whether they shall bolt the convention after the adoption of the silver plank or not. The proceedings of the convention are listless. Hogg, of Texas, who made a strong plea for harmony was well received. The gold men are inclined to take their medicine more peacefully today. Hogg advises the delegates to meet in a spirit with intent to win in November. The Bryan delegates from Nebraska, were given their seats by the committee on credentials, and were applauded as they settled down. Tillman, of South Carolina, asked permission to address the convention, and may do so this evening. Pennsylvania declared for Bland this morning. Tammany Hall says it will support the nominee. New York delegation caucus decided not to bolt today but will abide by the decision of the majority. Flower and many of the New York delegates favor bolting. He thinks a new party will be formed. The Pennsylvania delegates will ask Patterson if he will stand on the silver platform. If he says no, his name will be presented as a candidate. The New York delegates are now in their seats. They announce that they will not bolt, but will not vote on a candidate. The convention adjourned to 5 o'clock. Storm-bound at Croft's. Rev. Chas. Black was Sunday ordained to the ministry at Independence Hill Baptist church, near Croft's, in this county. Rev. L. R. Pruett and Rev. J. B. Hawkins conducted the ordination service. There was a large congregation present, and about the close of the services, a tremendous and continued rain storm came. Mr. Pruett and Mr. Hawkins and the visitors had to remain over night at the neighboring houses. Among the storm bound were five young people from Hope-well. Below the Mark. NEW YORK, July 10.—Half million in gold is engaged for export today, which brings the treasury reserve two hundred thousand dollars below the hundred million required,

THE GOLD MEN PLEAD

HILL'S MINORITY REPORT.

HE BRINGS IN A DEFENSE OF THE ADMINISTRATION.

Aggressive Speech by Tillman - Vilas and Russell Strongly Support Hill-Bryan Defends the Majority Report in a Ringing Speech - Toward Thinks the Convention Will Be Closed To-Morrow - Evans Says South Carolina Will Vote for Teller - Wash Offers a Religious Substitute - Issuance of National Bank Notes Denounced - Bland Looks to be the Winner - No Nomination Probable Before To-Morrow.

CHICAGO, July 9.—Neither New York or the gold delegates held a conference last night. The night was given up to a general open discussion. When the day opened the situation was about this: The gold men are in a helpless minority, with no chance of preventing the adoption of a radical free silver plank; the fight for the presidential nomination is as mixed as ever with Boies in the lead slightly, if anything. The platform will be adopted today and the candidates should be named, if there is no deadlock. Today's session ought to be extremely lively. The committee on resolutions adopted Bailey's National Bank substitute which denounces the issuance of National Bank notes as in derogation of the constitution. It demands that all paper be made legal tender for public and private debts, or receivable in payment of dues of the United States and shall be issued by the United States. Congress alone has power to coin or issue money, and that power can't be delegated to corporations or individuals. Walsh of Georgia made a religious substitute, which denounces all secret organizations which makes war on individuals for their religious opinions and granting civil and religious liberty to all citizens. Hill says he proposes to offer in open convention today, a resolution endorsing Cleveland's administration plank which was rejected yesterday by the platform committee. While it is conceded that he will again be defeated, the resolution gives him an opportunity to vilogize the financial part of the President's administration. Tillman was advised of this alleged purpose of the New York senator, and proposed to devote fifty minutes to one of his characteristic attacks on the administration. Gov. Evans, of South Carolina, said this morning that South Carolina will vote for Teller. Mr. Harrity says that the Pennsylvania delegation will support Patterson and a minority report, unless he withdraws, which he hadn't done up to the present. Altgeld says it is impossible for the convention to finish its labors today. Grady, of New York, said that the New York delegates were practically agreed among themselves to express no decided opinions as a body upon the deliberations of the convention. They will return home like the Arabs folding their tents and silently depart. They will hold an early state convention and then decide what to do. The convention decided to devote three hours to resolutions, Tillman to open, Bryan to follow in favor of the majority; Hill to present the minority report and speak upon it. Gray and Vilas were to follow Hill. Congressman Towne, of the bimetallic committee, says that there is no question but that the convention will be closed tomorrow. Although it is not probable that a nomination of President will be made today the fight is beginning to warm up and one of the most extraordinary contests ever looked for will take place. Silver Dick Bland looks to be the winner by a narrow majority, though his friends, Blackburn, Stevenson, Boies and the resultant trades will combine to make a great struggle for the Victor. During the progress of Tillman's remarks the Union Associated Press scurried around among the eastern delegates for information regarding the respective attitude of the respective communities on whatever action certain delegates of New York should take. Some indicated that it mattered but little what Tammany did, for by its historical tradings it could never be trusted. They would swap the earth to hold and maintain their grip on New York politics. Others for east said there appears to be considerable silver development even among those who came in the interest of

OUR NEXT PRESIDENT

W. J. BRYAN, OF NEBRASKA

HE RECEIVES THE NOMINATION ON THE FIFTH BALLOT.

Story of the Convention—List of the Nominations and by Whom Made—Harrity this Morning Puts up Patterson, and the Nomination of Pennoyer Completes the List—The Balloting Then Began—First and Second Ballots in Detail—New York Waving the Free Silver Banner—Great Rush to the Convention Hall. THE NEWS report yesterday closed with the vote on Hill's motion to endorse the present Democratic administration. After that the platform as submitted by the majority was adopted, and the convention took a recess until 8 o'clock. It then reassembled and the first business in order was the nomination of candidates for the presidency. Mr. Vest was first on the platform and nominated Bland. This nomination was seconded by David Overmeyer, of Kansas, and Hon. J. R. Williams, of Illinois, the latter of whom said that Bland had done more than any other American for the restoration of silver. Mr. H. I. Lewis, of Georgia, nominated W. J. Bryan, of Nebraska, saying that if public office was a reward for public services no man merited such reward more than he. In the late political contest Mr. Bryan stood among his peers like Saul among the Israelites, head and shoulders above all the rest. "Honor him with the nomination," he said, "and you will do credit to the party and earn for yourselves the plaudits of your constituents and the thanks of posterity." A great demonstration followed all the silver delegates arose and joined in vociferous shouting and waving of hats, handkerchiefs, newspapers and every waverable object upon which they could lay their hands. Theodore F. Klutz, of North Carolina; George Fred Williams, of Massachusetts, and Thos. J. Kernan, of Louisiana seconded Bryan's nomination. Senator David Tempie, of Indiana, nominated Claude Matthews. The Senator had his speech written and it makes two columns. Oscar Trippett, of California, seconded Matthews' nomination. Ex-Governor Boies was nominated by Fred White, of Iowa. The demonstration was rather disappointing. A. D. Smith, of Minnesota, seconded the nomination of Boies. Joseph S. Blackburn was put in nomination by John S. Rhea, of Kentucky, and the nomination was seconded by W. W. Foot, of California. When Massachusetts was called the chairman of the delegation said Massachusetts had intended to present the name of Governor Russell, but Mr. Russell declined to run on the platform adopted. New York, through Senator Hill, said she had no candidate and cries of "Hill" were raised. Mr. Patrick of Ohio, when the name of his State was called, put in nomination Mr. John B. McLean of Cincinnati. Chairman Harrity of Pennsylvania when his State was called, said Pennsylvania had no candidate at this time. Virginia being called in the roll of States, the chairman of the delegation stated that they had been instructed to present the name of the Hon. John W. Daniel, but at his earnest request and insistence did not do so. When the State of Wisconsin was called, General Bragg, the picturesque old hero, chairman of the delegation, rising on a chair in his place, said: "Wisconsin cannot participate in the nomination of any man calling himself a Democrat upon a Populist platform." (Great cheers, mingled with hisses.) Mr. E. J. Dockery of Wisconsin took his place on the platform and said: "My vote is stifled in this convention by an un-Democratic unit rule, and I am therefore prevented from having it recorded in favor of that idol of the convention, Wm. J. Bryan of Nebraska, who ought to be elected; but I desire to say, gentlemen of the convention, that the people of the State will give its electoral vote to the nominee of this convention whoever he may be, at the election in November. (Cheers.) That candidate will not receive the votes of the men who are in this convention claiming to represent the Democracy of Wisconsin but the people

HAVE OVER TWO THIRDS.

THE SILVER FORCES ARE SURE OF IT.

It Insures a Strong Currency Plank—Silver Men to Meet Monday to Decide on their Plan for President—They have Formed their Plans.

CHICAGO, July 4.—There is more than the usual hilarity and patriotism in the city today, because of the large number of politicians on the ground. Altgeld and silverites continue supreme, having decided upon a distinct plan of action calculated to upset the attempts of goldites to get control of the temporary organization by collusion with the national committee. On the other hand, the gold faction has no program, and are all at sea and considerably down cast. According to the latest figures, the silverites will control the Convention by several votes over the necessary two thirds majority. This insures a strong currency plank. The silver men will meet Monday to decide which candidate to throw their votes for for the Presidency.

Mr. Lee H. Battle Cashier.

Mr. Lee H. Battle is Mr. A. Brady's successor as cashier of the Loan & Savings Bank, having been elected to that position by a meeting of the board of directors held yesterday afternoon. Mr. Battle is an experienced banker, having been teller of the Fidelity Bank of Durham. He has been a resident of Charlotte for five or six months and has made many warm personal friends. The selection is universally commended and is spoken of on all sides as a good one. The News knows him to be an excellent financier and a young man of fine character.

Maceo Dead Again.

HAVANA, July 10.—Merchants of Pinar Del Rio who arrived here last night, state that Antonia Maceo, the insurgent leader, died last night of wounds received during his last engagement with Spanish troops.

will register their will at the ballot box."

Amid much confusion General Bragg again rose and claimed the attention of the convention to say: "With your kind permission we will send out and make search for another straggler, and if we are successful Wisconsin may yet pledge its support to another candidate. (Laughter and hisses.) At the close of the call of the roll of States the convention, at 12:35 a. m.; adjourned till 10 this morning. The business began this morning with the nomination of Robert E. Patterson, by Harrity. Pennoyer was nominated by Miller, of Oregon, and that closed the list of nominations. CHICAGO, July 10.—The decks were cleared this morning for balloting in the Democratic National Convention. The real struggle opens with the delegates wrought to an intense pitch over the sensational developments of yesterday when the Bryan wave swept through the convention and threatened to stam pede it then and there. It has disturbed all calculations and thrown the ranks of other candidates into confusion. The day opened with continuance of that deliciously cool weather which has attended the convention from the start. There was a greater rush in the Convention this morning than on any previous time. The approaches were packed for a quarter of a mile in each direction. The strains of lively music the delegates and spectators marched into the Convention this morning all seemingly eager for the fray. Every indication this morning is that the fight for the Presidential nomination by the National Democratic Convention has narrowed down to two men, Bland and Bryan, the latter of whom by his eloquent speech made a sensational leap to the fore front from the rear ranks of candidates. Harrity, Altgeld, Vest, Tillman, and Jones are of the same opinion. The fight will be close. Rector Green, of Iowa, offered prayer. This is the first Democratic convention convened that the army chaplains haven't requested the privilege of opening the sessions with prayer. The supposition is that the army chaplains were advised to remain silent by the administration. Jones, of Arkansas says the convention will endeavor to nominate today. The party has no superstition about Friday. The caucusing among the various delegations is earnest and very exciting. The New York delegation claim that the gold delegates of many other states have agreed to bolt with them. They are actually canvassing among them during today's proceedings. There is a desire among the delegates that the nomination be concluded today. Harrity, who nominated Patterson, says he did so under instructions from the Democratic convention of Pennsylvania. The first ballot resulted: Alabama 22 for Boies; Arkansas 16 for Bland; Delaware 3 for Patterson, 1 for Bryan, 2 refused to vote. Florida, Bland 2, Bryan 1, Boies 1, Bland 1, Black 1, Matthews 2; first 9 votes for Blackburn, next for Boies, next for Campbell, next 2 for Black for Bryan, Matthews, next for Bryan, for Boies. Connecticut 2 for Russell, of Massachusetts, of its 12 it cost but 2; Kentucky 26 for Blackburn; Louisiana 16 for Bryan; Maine 5 for Patterson, 2 for Bland, 2 for Bryan, 3 not voting. Michigan 9 for Bryan, 4 for Boies, 5 for Bland, 10 not voting. The vote was challenged, and roll of the State demanded; several of the Michigan delegates refuse to vote when their names were called. The roll of Michigan was called, 10 not voting; 7 for Bryan, 5 for Boies, 4 for Bland. Minnesota 1 for Stevenson, 2 for Bryan, 1 for Blackburn, 2 for Patterson, 4 for Boies not voting. Mississippi 18 for Bryan; Missouri 34 for Bland; Montana 4 for Blackburn, 4 for Bland; Nebraska 16 for Bryan; Nevada 3 for Matthews, 2 for McLean; New Hampshire 7 decline to vote, 1 for Patterson; New Jersey declined to vote, (cheers and hisses); New York declined to vote, (great cheering). The audience quieting down; North Carolina 22 for Bryan, (cheers); North Dakota 6 for Boies; Ohio 46 votes for McLean under the unit rule; Oregon 8 for Pennoyer; Pennsylvania 64 for Harrison, (cheers); Rhode Island 6 for Patterson, 2 declined to vote; South Carolina 17 for Tillman, 1 not voting, (hissing); South Dakota 6 for Bryan,

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