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THE POPULIST CONVENTION.
It is wondertul how men mingling together in the common walks of life, social and kind, neighborly and even brotherly, can yet be so divergent and antagonistic on certain lines in which their interest are abm solutely the same.
The Standard was greatly aurprised at the courtesy extended, and construes such courtesy as an expression of confidence in our fair ness to report the proceedings of the convention with justice to that body.
We will not haye the ties, of personal friendship with so many of that body broken if any reasonable effort can retain it, and we hope we have not the enmity of any in that meeting, but it is strange indeed how we differ in the propriety and the necessity of the very existence of the Popalist party. Nor can we see the consistency of their contentions and their policies.
Free silver has been the cry ever
aince the existence of the party of gauization, but tbat eentharnt dud not originate with the Popuit ts nor do we beliere that it came to he so popular the eariier by the existence of the party (this is within the sphere of opinion, thougb). If, as they der clare, they place principle above party and the demand for free silver is what they call a princrple, then they strain to get some fault to find at the Democratic ticket. Mr. Sewall! They can't yote for him without potest. And whs? He is president of a railroad and a hapk perhaps. Successful men are selected for the heads of corporations. A man that can't manage bis own business is not chosen to manage the business of others If there are any charges against Mr. Sewall beside being aboat as rich as we would all
like to be, we have not heard them. The Kepublican party is certainl the party with a policy that fosters large wealth, begets trusts and monopolies (now please do not deny this fact) and our Popuhsts can fuse with them and believe they are no sacrificing principle, event knowing oo that Republicans fayor the gold standard, but they can't vote for Mr. Sewall who looks like a Republican in everything but that he a fige silver Democrat. Now pray tell us where is the sacrifice in a Populist's rcting for Sewall. Whatever that imaginary eacrifice may be, your course, our Popnist friends, is such as to make the election of Mr. McKinley and the rich corporation Hobart the more probable.
But you say the Populists should have a representative. You cheered the noble sentiment of Mr. Jesee Earnhardt when be plead against official pie.
Now gertlemen, stop if you piease, and see what there is conspicuous aboat Mr. Sewall that you would not like to possess yourselves. Owing to the complexity of our situation ome of the leading Populists thought beiter not to give Mr. Bry a formal notification and thereby not require a formal acceptance, but for the principle of free silver they would sacrifice little party formalities ; bat our Cabarrus Populists demand that Sewall must cone down and Mr. Bryan must bow to the Populist party or they will sacrifice the chance of getting a free silver president and let McKinley be elected though he is the very expo. nent of high tariff, high pensions, national banks and corporations.
Much ado is made of the election law. We wonder where any neces. sity existed for a change of the Dem coratic law. If the law had been open to the chances of fraud and the Democrats had been a machin Democracy as the resolution had the ankindness and the meanness to say it does not seem like the fusion party would haye got their seats in office in '94. If they could elect their officers under that "Machine Democratic" law then, they surely coald again withoat the new eumgood.

Mach peace, good will and good government existed inthe State under brother Popd law, but remember, brother Populists, you cast at as farthfulness which we cast back you as the product of your baser passions stirred up, and you haye pla zed upon us an inconvenient, un-
necessary and expensive system of elections and then yet you would raise a wail that we do not endorse
and promiap its perpetuation.
we areatixinus for the union of ii the better alemen a of all partice and Democracy stinds with the strength to cuercume any riligle party ard pussibly to grapple successfully with shamefal combinations, she therefore stands on proper union grounds with tenets unsurassed by any party ard bui for a terrible prejudice would absorb that very party that would have us be heve she is more anxious for pricici If Populists are going to catch at ery such little chance of a ciyil like that of Sexall's nomination and our declaration for a fair election law, they will fiad something to hook in a complaint about no matter how hard we try to please hem. It reminds us of the sen"There's no getting along with Johnson, if his pistol mlases fire he knocks you down with the butt of 1 t."

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