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EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For President,
WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN,
of Nebraska.
For Vice President,
ARTHUR SEWALL,
of Maine.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

For Governor,
CYRUS B. WATSON,
of Forsyth.
For Lieutenant Governor,
THOMAS W. MARSON,
of Northampton.
For Secretary of State,
CHARLES M. COOKE,
of Franklin.
For Treasurer,
BENJAMIN F. AYCOCK,
of Wayne.
For Auditor,
ROBERT M. FURMAN,
of Guilford.
For Attorney General,
FRANK L. OSBORNE,
of Mecklenburg.
For Superintendent of Public Instruction,
JOHN C. BROWN,
of Johnston.
For Justice Supreme Court,
A. C. AVERY, of Burke,
GEO. H. BROWN, Jr., of Beaufort.
For Electors, State-at-Large,
LOCK CRAIGIE, of Hancombe,
W. C. DOUGLAS, of Moore.

The editor of this paper was prepared for the result at Chicago, and is neither crestfallen nor soured. The editor honestly believing that the silver policy if adopted would bring dishonor to the government and destruction to the people, and believing that he could not be an instrument to produce such a result, and at the hazard of severing ties of friendship and political associations he has inflexibly discharged what he believed to be his duty, he now has no regrets and no apologies to offer. While this is so he bows to the will of the majority of his party and will faithfully support the ticket nominated and do what he can for its election.

The editor is gratified to know that a majority of the thinking, substantial Democrats of this county endorse the course of THE TIMES on the financial question. The people patriots and blunt demagogues who try to make the people believe that every man who advocated what is called the sound money policy is an enemy of the people have little if any impression upon the Democrats of this county. We earnestly entreat these true and sound money Democrats to fall into line and support the ticket. McKinleyism is by far worse than free silver. The platform upon which Bryan stands, with two or three exceptions, is good Democratic doctrine.

Our Populist friends who are so desirous of having the free silver policy enacted into a law may have an opportunity of "showing their faith by their works." The Democrats have engrained free silver upon their platform to its fullest extent, and have nominated a man whose silver record is undoubted and undoubted. As the Charlotte Observer says, his record is not as old as Bland's, but it is just as strong. In other respects Bryan is a pure and able man. Two years ago, without reward or hope of reward, he announced that he would desert the Democratic party upon the question of silver. He led the Democrats of his state to fuse with the Populists and to elect a Populist Governor. Now, if our Populist friends want free silver and regard it of such paramount importance, they will vote for Bryan. It is very certain if the Populists nominate a separate ticket and divide the silver vote that the gold ticket will be elected. To vote a separate Populist ticket is a half of a vote for McKinley and gold. The leaders of the Populist party, put out separate indications, try to put out a separate ticket. They know that they could no longer be leaders if free silver were adopted. "Othello's occupation would be gone." The question is, can they fool the people—the honest people of the Populist party—by telling them that Bryan and the Democrats are not sincere? There are many honest, intelligent men in the Populist party whose sincerity will be put to a test in this matter, and we shall watch their course. Surely they cannot and will not let passion and hatred of the Democratic party outweigh principle and the good of the country.

A great deal is being said and written about the issuing of bonds by the present administration to save the credit of the government. It is well known that Secretary Foster, under Harrison, ordered the plates for a bond issue. It is well known that there was a deficit during the last four months of Harrison's administration of \$5,810,549. It appears from a careful statement made by the New York Journal of Commerce that the Wilson tariff bill produced nearly twenty millions more of revenue than the McKinley tariff the first year of its existence and the last year nearly fifty millions more. His figures are as follows:

McKinley—1893—\$208,355,016.
1894—\$181,818,580.
Wilson—1895—\$152,158,617.
1896—\$160,584,351.

So our Republican orators will have to charge the deficit and the departure of gold from the country to something else than the present tariff.

Rev. Dr. W. S. Creasy, of Winston, will deliver the address at the Mocksville Masonic picnic in August. Dr. Creasy is one of the most interesting speakers in North Carolina and is one of the brightest Masons.



HON. WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT.

CHICAGO CONVENTION.

The convention was composed of 929 delegates. A test vote showed 626 for silver and 303 for gold. The gold forces were led by that gallant and true Democrat, Senator Hill, of New York, and a great fight he made, and though defeated he won admiration from his foes and increased the devotion of his followers.

Bland, Boies, Mathews, McLean, Bryan and others were put in nomination. Bland fell for several ballots, and when he fell behind, his name at his request was withdrawn. Boies never made any show.

The convention lasted five days and closed after the nomination of Sewall, of Maine, for Vice President. Bryan's speech on silver nominated him. We give below an extract from the Washington Post taken from the Charlotte Observer, showing the effect of his speech:

"What amazes us is that he should have been able, by the mere act of mounting a rostrum and delivering a twenty-minute speech to dislocate the process of the convention machinery, to obscure every veteran aspirant then in view, to change men's hearts, to divert the course of their passions and their preferences, and to transform a serious and deliberative body into an instrument upon which he played as Pan upon his pipe, as the blind prince of music upon his immortal harpsichord."

On Thursday afternoon, at a time when Bland seemed to be the leader in the race, when Boies was a laborious second, and when McLean, brainiest and most conservative of them all, was enacting the role of the dark and dangerous horse, this young man Bryan suddenly appeared, tall, shapely, handsome, a Greek demigod, classic of outline, impassioned of address, thrilling in view, to change men's hearts, to divert the course of their passions and their preferences, and to transform a serious and deliberative body into an instrument upon which he played as Pan upon his pipe, as the blind prince of music upon his immortal harpsichord.

POPULIST OPINION OF THE MCKINLEY TICKET.

"By a vote of 6801, of the St. Louis convention delegates, Mark Hanna, the inveterate foe of organized labor, has succeeded in nominating his faithful servant, William McKinley, Jr., for President of the United States."

"There is nothing ordinary about this man Hanna. His shrewdness as a political boss is only exceeded by his sagacity as an overbearing, conscienceless, dominant man of money-bags and exploiter of labor. He is certainly the greatest and most dangerous man in American politics to-day. Organized labor has more deadly enemy than Mark Hanna, the Cleveland millionaire, who has forced upon the American people his candidate for President."

"Major McKinley, having learned that he had been daily nominated at St. Louis, turned around and kissed several of the females of his family, and immediately commenced making speeches. The burden of said speeches is the tariff. The manufacturers need more protection, given them under the present law, is not enough, says McKinley."

"The question of finance is of secondary importance, says McKinley. 'It is the humble opinion of this obscure scribe that the money question can not be put down by kissing the women and talking tariff.'—Thos. E. Watson, in his People's Party Paper, Atlanta, Ga."

"A Jewish rabbi to open the convention; a millionaire attorney for the Union Pacific Railroad to act as permanent chairman; a millionaire representative of the Coal Trust and the Standard Oil Company (Hanna of Ohio) for boss; a millionaire St. Paul banker to draw the platform; the banks of New York flooding the leaders with telegrams in favor of gold; (Chauncey Depew, the millionaire president of a New York railroad company, a conspicuous figure, and every insurer in the United States supporting the ticket."

"Are you going to vote for it? That's the question."—The Representative, Ignatius Donnelly's Paper, Minneapolis, Minn.

We quote above some extracts from leading Populist papers to show what they think of the McKinley ticket and platform and we must respectfully ask our Populist friends how they, here in North Carolina, can fuse with the adherents of such a ticket, which is so abhorred and denounced by their leaders in other States.

The railway commission has nearly completed its assessments of the roads in North Carolina. It finds that during the twelve months ended June 30, fifty miles of road were built as follows: Hendersonville and Brevard twenty-two miles, Caldwell and Northern twelve, A. C. and West End ten, Elizabethton and Henrietta six. The total mileage is 3,707, of which the Southern has 1,000, Atlantic Coast Line 686, Seaboard Air-Line 613, miscellaneous roads 1,188.

Ministers Should Use Dr. Miles' Heart Cure.

There is no profession, whose labor so severely taxes the nervous system, as that of the ministry. The arrangement of the nerve centers of the brain by over work, frequently brings on attacks of heart trouble, and nervous prostration. Rev. J. P. Kester, D. D., Pastor of St. Paul's Church, London, Md., writes Feb. 26, 1895: "Heart affection and nervous prostration had become so serious last fall that a little over work in the pulpit would so completely prostrate me that it seemed certain I must relinquish the work."

A PARABLE.
In the days when the people tore their hair and pawed up the ground crying out with a loud voice, "Free Silver," "Give us the dollar of our daddies," and other people, yea much people, reared back on their due claws and growled for gold, more gold, great gods of gold.

It is a noticeable fact that the Republican platform adopted at St. Louis for the first time since the organization of the party away back in the fifties has not one line upon the sectional issue—no bloody shirt in it. And the New York Weekly Post aptly says the reason is, the Democrats as they come into full control of the government in 1893 promptly wiped the Federal election laws from the statute books. Does it not look strange and ridiculous to see and hear Linney and others harping and carping about election laws when the party at large have ignored the subject?

One of the boldest thieves that we have heard of was the negro who recently stole twelve head of cattle near Spout Springs, in Harnett county, and drove them in broad daylight and on the public roads through this county to Greensboro, where he sold them, pocketed the money and escaped before the owners of the cattle could overtake him.—Chatham Record.



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