

WHAT IT MEANS.
The Policy of Railroad Ownership Placed Before the Reader.

Transportation being a means of exchange and public necessity, the Government should own and operate the railroads in the interest of the people.—Third party platform.

The above five lines will be found in the third party platform, which is printed on the first page. What does it mean? Simply this:—I mean the buying up of the railroads by the Government and the paying of the purchase price over to the railroad capitalists. What will the railroads cost? They are assessed for taxation at nine billion dollars (\$9,000,000,000). Is your property assessed for taxation at its full value? Would you sell for double the assessed valuation? Is it probable that the railroad companies are assessed at the real value of their property? Could their property be bought for less than fifteen billion dollars (\$15,000,000,000)? Have you any idea how much that is? It is just five times as much as the United States had to pay to carry on the late war. Where would the government get the money to pay this \$15,000,000,000 to the railroad men for their railroads? It has no way of getting money except by taxation, to which every citizen contributes his share either directly or indirectly—an immense burden laid upon the mass of the people in order that a few men might receive in cold cash the value of property that in many instances is paying no dividend. Another instance of bleeding the many for the few. The public is now benefitted by taxes paid on nine billion dollars worth of railroad property. If this miserable proposition were to become law those taxes would cease, and the country would be taxed to keep up its railroad system just as it is taxed to keep up its postoffice system. A new cabinet officer, a Secretary of Railroads, would be added to our governmental system and we should soon be regaled with biennial appeals to Congress to give liberal and magnificent appropriations to our railroad system just as it now urged every two years to "improve our navy." The treasury could not turn out the money fast enough at the spigot but the head of the barrel would have to be knocked out. Congressmen would trade with railroads and would vote for each other's \$150,000 public building appropriations in return for votes for two and three million dollar appropriations for the building of new railroads. The possibilities for corruption and extravagance are limitless, not to speak of the extravagant power that would be placed in the hands of an administration in distributing the offices connected with the railroads. The railroad employees alone could nominate a candidate for the Presidency. If this wild measure were to become a law, the railroads would indeed rule the country and the only road to office would have steel rails. The idea of "railroading a man into office" would at last be realized. The rights of the States would be trampled under foot by the iron horse and centralization would rule rampantly, crushing out every vestige of constitutional, Democratic government. It would be a revolution of the widest scope and freemen would no longer live in America. Does any party advocate this measure? Read the third party's platform and see if it does not. Weaver and Field are its candidates. No patriot can support them and this platform. What then is the alternative? Either Cleveland or Harrison. Can any North Carolinian hesitate between these two?

Strikes at the Root of the Disease.
Baltimore Sun.

In the South and West the farmers feel and know that something is wrong, but they do not seem to be able to see just what the trouble is. They know very well that cash is scarce with them, and that when they desire to borrow interest is high. Many of them have come to the conclusion that the cause of their difficulties is a scarcity of the circulating medium, and hence they are clamoring for an unlimited issue of light weight silver dollars. A glance at the bank statements of the country shows that these silver inflationists are wide of the mark in their diagnosis. In New York money is so abundant that it is going begging at the lowest rates of interest, and yet there is more demand for it in New York than in any other place. Some of the rural banks of Maryland have sent hundreds of thousands of dollars to New York on deposit for the two or three per cent, a year that is allowed for it. Most of the banks of Maryland have more currency than they know what to do with, and all the commercial centres are congested. What, then, is the cause of the scar-

city in the West and South? More currency, proportionately, is needed in these rural communities than in the East because there all payments are made in cash, whilst here the great majority of debts are paid by bank checks. And yet they cannot keep their currency. It is all drained towards New York or some other city. The reason is that what is usually called the "balance of trade" is against these communities. They buy more than they sell and have to pay the difference in cash. If a man has a wheatcrop or a cotton crop to sell, he finds no difficulty in getting cash for it. All the marketable products will command cash, but if it takes all that the cotton crop or wheat crop fetch to pay the fertilizer bill, the bill for shoes, clothing, blankets and ironware in the city, no cash comes back to the farm. The Southern planter and the Western farmer are subjected to the drainage of federal taxation, and the enormous volume of this drain is not appreciated. It is sufficient to withdraw the entire circulating medium from a Southern State in an incredibly short time. Take the matter of pensions alone. Any one of the Southern States has to pay several million of dollars into the treasury for this purpose. This is withdrawn from these States absolutely and put into circulation in the Northern States. If we add to this the amount which the tariff withdraws from the South and West and hands over to the protected manufactures of the East, it will be readily perceived why money cannot remain in the States which are now clamoring for it unless the farming industry is so prosperous as to overcome all. The truth is that the remedy for the troubles of which the West and South complain lies more in an economical administration of government and an adjustment of taxation upon that basis than in any wild monetary schemes or tinkering with the currency. The scarcity of currency is the symptom. Let the people, like a wise physician, strike at the root of the disease and the symptom will disappear.

UNION RIDGE, N. C., June 29, 1891.
Mr. John N. Webb:

DEAR SIR: I purchased one of the Electrotype on the 5th day of May and began using it on Mrs. Hazell, who is eighty-five (85) years old. She has had the rheumatism and asthma for twenty-five or thirty years.

She was relieved from the first application of the poise, and has greatly improved beyond our most sanguine expectations. I recommend it to the afflicted.

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T. M. TAPSCOTT.

You can use this in any way you may see proper.

The Work of the Railroad Commission.
Charlotte News.

The work of the North Carolina State railway commission has been summarized. Nearly all freight rates have been lowered on the sixty-seven railroads and branches, and passenger rates have been reduced as a rule. The saving to the public is \$30,000 a year on two roads alone as to passenger fares. The reduction of rates on telegraph lines amounts to \$10,000 a year. The commission has increased by \$7,000,000 the assessed value of the railways. Of this amount \$1,627,000 is now in litigation, but the State courts, superior and supreme, have decided that it is liable. The liability of the remainder is unquestioned. The State tax is thus increased \$20,000. The county and municipal taxes will amount to more than thrice as much. Eight new depots have been constructed and eleven remodelled by order of the commission.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure.

This is beyond question the most successful Cough Medicine we have ever sold, a few doses invariably cure the worst cases of Cough, Croup and Bronchitis, while its wonderful success in the cure of Consumption is without a parallel in the history of medicine. Since its first discovery it has been sold on a guarantee, a test which no other medicine can stand. If you have a cough we earnestly ask you to try it.—Price 10c, 50c, and \$1. If your lungs are sore, chest, or back lame, use Shiloh's Peppermint Plaster. Sold by Dr. W. M. Fowlkes & Co.

Telling Facts for Tailors.
Boston Globe.

There will be no want of telling campaign literature during the coming months. A lengthy account of over two hundred and fifty cut-downs in the protected industries since the passage of the McKinley bill has been compiled. An equally detailed account of 473 strikes under the operation of the same bill is in print, and that there shall be no mistake about its account is made of the 900,000 men who work in the protected industries relative to the whole 17,000,000 breadwinners of the nation, showing that by far the greater portion of strikes has been in the protected industries. Workmen who have eyes to see cannot mistake the import of the authoritative figures, and in a "campaign of education" they can have but one verdict to render at the polls next November.

WEAVER AS A RADICAL.

His Attitude Towards the South as seen from his Public Utterances.

He said at Albia on July 18, 1886: "I want to congratulate you first, fellow-citizens, on the suppression of purely Democratic rebellion, gotten up by Democrats for the Democratic purpose of dismembering the Union and perpetually establishing human slavery. Now and forever it is establishing an eternal truth that the Democracy in no place or State can ever be trusted with government. As a party it should disband, just as a section of it did at Appomattox."

"He said at Centerville in 1887: 'Again has the Democratic party of Iowa spoken. Why, sir, I am astonished beyond measure that a party with a record so utterly vile and wretched and wicked should be so lost to all shame and decency as to make an appearance before the loyal people of Iowa. They should be tramping in the wilderness of oblivion and never more return.' [Laughter on the Republican side.]

"He said in a joint debate with Colonel H. H. Trimble at Bloomfield on September 6, 1888: 'Here we have the old fight over again. The Confederate Democracy, North and South, in which the infamous Copperhead division of Iowa appears, are again contesting with Grant for the safety of the Union. As at Donelson, he proposes to "move on their works at once," and there is no escape for this rank, traitorous horde except in another surrender. Charge on them, fellow-Republicans, and spare not one, not even a deputy road supervisor, from total political annihilation.' [Laughter on the Republican side.]

"He said in Bloomfield on September 26, 1888: 'What is the use of further arraigning the defunct Democracy, with all the bar of public opinion? We know that its acts comprise murder, treason, theft, arson, fraud, perjury and all crimes possible for an organization to conceive at. [Renewed laughter on the Republican side.] It would be a mercy to put its record a million miles deep in the pit that is mentioned in Holy Writ; and I may add that if a large and distinguished assortment of its alleged statesmen were sent a long it would only be common justice.' [Applause on the Republican side.]

MORE RADICALISM.

"He said in Keokuk, September 18, 1890: 'The Democracy, as usual, are loud in their opposition, but what did they ever do when they had a chance? Here in Iowa they stole the school fund and nationally they stole the arsenals, the navy, the treasury, everything that was red-hot and created the very devil's rebellion. And these men appear and ask for your support. They should come on bended knee asking your forgiveness for the unspeakable crimes they have committed and the wretched miseries inflicted upon our common society.' [Loud applause on the Republican side.]

"He said in Keokuk, September 16, 1881: 'The record of the Republican party appeals to the candid judgment of all men as unimpeachable, save, perhaps, that it was too lenient with the leading Democratic conspirators. The same old gang, save those who were shot or hung, are again conspiring to get possession of the Government next year. Woe to them, for the loyal hosts will crush them, and crush them forever and forever, out of all possible danger of such a misfortune to our common country.'

"He said in Oskaloosa, September 25, 1872: 'No Republican can ever, under any circumstances, have any part or lot with the hungry, rebellious, man-hating, woman-selling gang incorporated under the name of Democracy, a name so full of stench and poison that it should be blotted from the vocabulary of civilized man and handed over to the barbarism that it fitsly now and in all the past has represented.' [Prolonged applause on the Republican side.]

"He said at Stiles, September 11, 1873, in referring to the financial policy of the Democratic party; 'But then, what could you expect from the poor, blind, diseased, decrepit, dismal, damned old Democratic party?' [Prolonged laughter on the Republican side.]

The election of a woman attorney-general is among the possibilities for the State of Montana, where Ella L. Knowles, the only woman lawyer in the State, has been nominated by the People's party. It was through the influence of Miss Knowles that the bill was passed to admit women to practice law in the State, and she was herself the first candidate for admission under the new law. Her practice is large and lucrative.

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One Thing and Another.

This seems to be a famous year for making nominations on the first ballot. The Republican, Democratic, Prohibition and People's party candidates for President were all nominated on the first ballot. They got the nomination without much trouble, but after the 8th of November, three-fourths of them will wish some other fellow was in their shoes.

Senator Vance is not too sick to joke. A Charlotte visitor met him at the Hammocks last week and anxiously inquired. "What is the matter with you, Governor?" "Well," replied Senator Vance, "I have had just a little bit of everything except the Third party."

Ten days before Col. L. L. Polk died he told his physician and a North Carolina Congressman that he was opposed to the railroad ownership clause of the Alliance platform and would use all his energy to keep it out of the platform to be adopted at Omaha.

The Democratic Congressional Convention of the 3rd District, met at Clinton last week, renominated B. F. Grady for Congress by acclamation, and John G. Shaw, of Fayetteville, was nominated for Presidential Elector.

The Seaboard Air Line is talking about building a railroad from Monroe to Winston. A corps of surveyors are at work on the route.

Dan'l McEachern, a colored man, was recently murdered near McColl, S.C., and his body placed on the C. F. & Y. V. track.

Will McLarty, a popular young man of Union County, died near Monroe last week at the age of 26.

The local Methodist preachers of the State held their annual Conference in the city of Raleigh last week.

The New York World offers a prize of \$500 for the best Democratic campaign song.

The American people spend \$42,000,000 a year for letter postage.

Charlotte will soon begin work on her 7th cotton mill.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

The undersigned hereby notifies all persons that he intends to be absent from his office on Monday the 25th day of July 1892 as he has the consent of the resident Judge of the District but the office will be kept open during my absence by a competent deputy.

Z. F. LONG,
C. S. C. Richmond Co.
This June 28th, 1892.

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