



MR. PLATT'S REMARKS

On What the President was Pleased to Say

ABOUT DISAPPOINTED PEOPLE.

He Thinks the President Wronged Him, but Gives Him Credit for all he has Done, but at the Same Time Believes There are Others who Deserve Praise--Blaine's Absence from the Cabinet Meeting of no Significance.

New York, May 31.--Ex-Senator T. C. Platt, whose opposition to President Harrison's renomination is no secret, in an interview distributed to-day for publication, makes a vigorous reply to President Harrison's remarks in an interview to the World correspondent, in which the President is made to say that he did not believe "that individual disappointments" would control the action of the convention at Minneapolis.

Mr. Platt says that the remark about "individual disappointments" indicates how thoroughly the President misapprehends the nature of the opposition to his candidacy. The ex-senator says the "mugwumps" style him a "practical politician," and he declares that he looks at things as they really are. He does not question that President Harrison has acted conscientiously in the discharge of his public duties, but says the President is only one of many statesmen who conjointly have contributed to the country's honor and advantage.

Mr. Platt then reviews at length the part taken by Blaine, Reed, Kasson, Phelps, Tracy and others in the matter of reciprocity, the Samoan difficulty with Germany, the Chilean affair and the vindication of the honor of the American flag, and says that they should divide credit for the successful culmination of their efforts.

MR. BLAINE'S ABSENCE

From the Cabinet Meeting Without Any Significance.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 31.--The cabinet meeting to-day was attended by all the members except Secretaries Blaine, Elkins and Foster. The two last named are out of the city.

At the state department it was said that Mr. Blaine's failure to attend was probably due to the fact that he was busy at the department attending to the matters that had accumulated by his visit to New York. At the White House no significance whatever was attached to his absence, for the stated reason that it was not generally known that the President had returned to the city, and also because no notice was given that there would be a meeting.

The foregoing statements were not volunteered, but were made in answer to inquiries as to the probable cause of Mr. Blaine's failure to attend what was erroneously supposed to have been a regularly called meeting of the cabinet.

Not Many Counties Heard From.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., May 31.--The Minneapolis Tribune is taking a postal card vote of the delegates to the Republican national convention as to their preference for President.

Up to to-night 222 replies have been received, divided as follows: Harrison 180, Blaine 38, non-committal 51. Pennsylvania gives Harrison 4, Blaine 3, West Virginia, Harrison 1, non-committal 1. Ohio, Harrison 4, Blaine 2, non-committal 2.

SHERMAN ON SILVER.

His Arguments Against the Free Coinage of that Metal.

WASHINGTON, May 31.--Mr. Sherman's speech in opposition to the bill for the free coinage of gold and silver was the feature in the senate. During the time that Mr. Sherman spoke fully seventy senators remained in their seats nearly all the time, paying close attention to the argument.

Mr. Sherman's manner was forcible, his voice clear and strong, and he spoke like one who felt deeply the importance of carrying conviction to his hearers. Although he was interrupted on several occasions he did not allow himself to be diverted from the course which he has marked out for himself.

Five states, he said, were largely interested in the production of silver and were ably and zealously represented in the senate. The South seemed also to have caught the something of the spirit that actuated the remaining states, because desired not exactly the free coinage of silver, but the expansion of the currency, cheaper money. He represented a state nearly central in population. He had tested the sense of the people of Ohio, and he believed they were by a large majority, not only in the Republican party, but in the Democratic party, opposed to the free coinage of silver.

He went on to defend the financial action of the Republican party and his own part in it.

Calling in Absentees.

WASHINGTON, May 31.--The postoffice appropriation bill engrossed the attention of the house the entire day. Little progress was made, however, in its consideration and but half a dozen paragraphs were disposed of. On motion of Mr. Henderson, of North Carolina, a resolution was adopted revoking all leaves of absence, except those granted on account of sickness, and directing the sergeant-at-arms to telegraph absent members that their attendance is necessary for the transaction of business. The house then adjourned.

President and Party Return.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 31.--The President and party, including General Schofield, Secretary Noble and Representatives Henderson, Hooker and Blount, arrived in Washington at 7 o'clock this morning on a special train of the Pennsylvania railroad. They enjoyed their visit to Rochester very much.

Decided for Turpin.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 31.--The house committee on elections to-day decided by a strictly party vote of 7 to 2, to report in favor of the Democratic sitting member, Mr. Turpin, in the contested election case of McDuffie vs. Turpin, from Alabama.

A TEMPERATE JURY

That Drank Whisky, Wine and Beer--A Peculiar Proceeding.

JACKSON, TENN., May 31.--The supreme court was crowded again this morning with an audience eager to hear the speeches on the celebrated King case. At opening of court some time was taken up in delivering opinions in cases previously heard. Col. Mitchell who spoke yesterday for the defense resumed this morning. He took up what he characterized the general misconduct of the jury. Juror Murfin was given three drinks of whisky at Duffie's hotel and on the witness stand admitted himself it made him sick. It gave him the headache, and his head swam an hour. Witnesses could not say he was drunk. After such conduct did we get a fair jury? This juror wrote and received a letter and told a friend there would be a hung jury. Juror Smith was visited by and talked to his wife and son. Judge Lea asked counsel if the officer was present at these conversations. The officer said he was present, but the state did not show whether they conversed concerning the case or not.

Proof shows the jury drank two gallons of whisky, pitchers of beer and bottles of wine, yet the officer says it was the most temperate jury he ever saw. The officer admitted all the jurors talked to relatives and sent messages by friends to their homes.

Colonel Mitchell spoke thirty-five minutes, closing by calling attention to the newly discovered evidence.

General Luke E. Wright opened for the state a few minutes before ten o'clock.

NEGRO UPRISING

In Florida--The Ringleaders Arrested and the Mob Dispersed.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., May 31.--Deputy Sheriff Williams and a posse of ten went out to Greenland last night to suppress a negro uprising there. Early last week Section Boss Henderson, of Greenland, which is a small station on the St. Augustine road, shot and killed a negro workman, it is claimed, in self defense, as there were three of them fighting him at the time. Henderson, who is a white man. Since then the negroes have been searching for him, under the pretext that they believed that he was concealed at his own house they set an armed guard about it and refused to let Mrs. Henderson and her two children go out. They are only a few white neighbors, while the negroes number two or three hundred.

For four days Henderson's family has been living in constant terror, and it was only to-day that word was sent here for help. Williams and his posse found nearly 300 armed negroes riding and walking about the village and threatening violence to the Hendersons, or to hold them as a ransom until their negro comrades had been avenged. The posse arrested Henderson and made some arrests. Williams has the names of the ring leaders and they will probably be indicted. Henderson's family was removed by the deputy to the house of relations in South Jacksonville.

PECULIAR SUICIDE.

A Brooklyn Woman Strangles Herself With Her Hair.

New York, May 31.--A peculiar case of suicide was reported in Brooklyn to-day. It was that of Miss Lillian Norfolk, one of the handsomest, most talented and wealthy young women on Long Island.

Her maid entered the bath room adjoining her mistress's bed room, and was horror-stricken at the sight presented to her gaze.

In the bath tub, which was filled with water was the nude body of the young woman. Her hair, of which in life she was so proud, had been wound three times about her throat and then fastened there. One hand, the one which had turned the faucet and started the water, clutched the highly polished piece of metal in the grip of death. She had strangled herself with her own hair.

Fatal Mine Explosion.

WILKESBARRE, PA., May 31.--An explosion of mine gas this morning at the Mocoanua colliery of the West End Coal Company, which is located about twenty miles below this city, resulted in the death of one man, the fatal injury of another, and the serious injury of eight others. The dead man is John Prothero, fire boss, aged forty-five years. He leaves a wife and four children. John Walters, unmarried, twenty-one years old, was fatally injured.

Want Closed Gates on Sunday.

PITTSBURGH, PA., May 31.--The afternoon session of the United Presbyterian Presbytery was devoted to the reply of the committee on special reform. The committee report referring to the World's Fair opening on Sunday declares that the United Presbyterian denomination will not have an exhibit unless the gates are closed on Sunday and liquor is forbidden to be sold on the grounds.

Engineer and Brakeman Killed.

CLEVELAND, O., May 31.--Two freight trains on the Cleveland & Pittsburgh R. R. collided near Summitville, Ohio, this morning. Engineer John Liptas, of this city, and Brakeman Wilcox, of Wellsville, were killed, and Fireman W. T. Starr, of Cleveland, was badly injured. Two trains caught fire and were entirely consumed. The body of the dead engineer is under the cinders and cannot be found. One train was loaded with varnish and oil.

Daylight Changed Their Plans.

CINCINNATI, O., May 31.--A Campbellsville, Ky., dispatch says that Peck Willis, colored, was hanged there to-day by a mob from Adair county for attempted rape. The negro had been taken 40 miles away by the officers and lodged here for safe keeping. The mob took him from jail and intended to hang him where the crime was committed but daylight overtook them, and they hung him at this place.

Members Sent Adrift.

LOUISVILLE, KY., May 31.--It is alleged N. U. Motilsky, a traveling oculist, and J. Will Hasm, a Cincinnati drummer, have been making insulting remarks on the street to women of Louisville, where both have been for a week. Yesterday the citizens took the two men, put them on a raft and sent them adrift down the Ohio. They were rotten-egged before they started.

ANTI-SNAPS'-SNAP.

They Take Hold of the Bull By the Horns.

FULL DELEGATION NOMINATED

To Contest the Delegates Chosen at David Burglar Hill's Mid-Winter Conference at Albany, New York. The Hold-on Governor is Rapped Over the Knuckles, Cleveland is Lauded to the Skies, and the McKinley Bill Anathematized and the Convention Adjourns.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., May 31.--Delegates to state conventions do not as a rule turn out so early on convention day, not in so good condition as was this morning the case with those who are to attend the anti-mid-winter convention. Many were about the town to a late hour last night, and many were busy in congressional district caucuses. William R. Grace was busy until 2 o'clock this morning causing his delegation from New York, the Buffalo men were up after midnight attending to matters of detail, while R. C. Monroe, and his corps of workers on the provisional committee were busy away along into the morning. But to-day all hands are apparently on hand and are pushing forward the final details. A subject of frequent remark has been the youthful personnel of the delegations. Vigorous young fellows they are in the main, ranging from twenty-five to forty years of age and full of eager push and vim. This day which will cover, it is believed, the making and unmaking of some men and interests, came out of the east without a cloud. The sun followed along and commenced at once to do business upon the delegates and the leaders.

Hundreds of boys skurried about in the streets selling for a nickel each paper fans, having upon one side the hideous result of an attempt to portray the features of Grover Cleveland. Cleveland badges in button form, in ribbons tied in fanciful knots and in streamers for hat bands were everywhere offered for sale. There could be no doubt of the disposition of the crowds, for hundreds of lapels and many bodies of women bore the bright ribbons with their gold stamping.

THE CONVENTION.

The convention was called to order shortly after noon by ex-Secretary of the Treasury Charles C. Fairchild, chairman of the state committee. The convention met in the Alhambra Rink. The building was well crowded. On the aisle chair, four of five rows back from the stage, there was seated a little figure behind a pair of gold-rimmed glasses. The figure wore trousers and a frock coat, but it was a woman, Mrs. Mary Walker.

The entrance of ex-Mayor Grace and John D. Kernan created considerable enthusiasm. When the tumult had subsided Mr. Fairchild, as chairman of the provisional state committee, rose and amid frequent interruptions of applause, addressed the convention briefly, denouncing the convention held on the 22d of February at Albany, and concluded by nominating John D. Kernan, of Oneida county, as temporary presiding officer.

As Mr. Kernan rose to his feet the enthusiasm was vociferous. Quiet finally settled on the crowd and Mr. Kernan, in a firm, steady voice, addressed the convention. At the close of the address the secretary read the roll of delegates for confirmation and substitutions.

Following the roll call motions were made for the creation of the various committees. Then, at 1:25 p. m., the convention adjourned to 2:30 p. m.

The convention re-assembled at 4:15 and the temporary organization was made permanent. Ellery Anderson, chairman of the committee on resolutions, sent up to Secretary Baldwin the platform as prepared and revised by the committee during recess. It reads:

WE, the delegates of the Democratic party of the state of New York, assembled in convention at Syracuse, declare that the most urgent necessity of the union is a radical reform in the administration of the federal government. We declare that the Democratic party alone is true to the people, and alone can be trusted to administer the government of the nation in their interest. We denounce the Republican party for its abuse of power, during the past four years. Obtaining in 1889 control of the executive and both branches of Congress that party immediately entered upon a course of extravagance, tyranny and fraud. It turned a magnificent surplus into an imminent deficiency. It went to lengths of class legislation before unheard of by enacting its McKinley bill. It deprived the state of New York of its just representation in Congress and in the electoral college by a fraudulent census. It displayed an utter contempt for economy and honesty by its fraudulent administration of the pension office. It reached a climax of partisan oppression in its strenuous endeavor to enact into law the infamous force bill. Contrasted with this history of extravagance and oppression were call with ever increasing satisfaction the wise and prudent Democratic administration of Grover Cleveland.

OF COURSE YOU DO.

We denounce the McKinley tariff; we declare that a "tariff is a tax;" that "taxation is a burden;" that it should never exceed the necessities of a government wisely and economically administered. We condemn the present tariff, not only because it is excessive and restrictive of the commercial development of the country, but because it has been enacted in the interest of a few at the expense and for the oppression of the mass of the people. The Democratic party has no more urgent mission than to destroy a system productive of so much evil, and in a spirit of moderation with due regard to the interests of capital now invested and labor now employed in protected industries, the paramount duty of the party is to continue its opposition to the tariff until all customs taxation is enacted for revenue only. We approve the use of both gold and silver; shall be equal in value to each other in fact, as well as by declaration of law. We are opposed to the free coinage of silver by the United States alone, because we do not believe that free coinage at that ratio will produce equality of real value between the gold and silver dollar.

CONFIDENCE IN CLEVELAND.

The Democratic party retains unshaken confidence in the ability and lofty integrity of Grover Cleveland, and in his devotion to public duty. It is the choice of an overwhelming majority of the Democrats of New York and the country to carry the state triumphantly in November. We believe that by nominating him to lead the party in the approaching contest for the presidency, the national convention will carry out the almost unanimous wish of the party and best conduct the welfare of the country. But we have no desire to force upon the national convention our own preference as to the candidates. We recognize that other states and Democrats have the same right to their views that we have. No man, or set of men, because displeased with a nomination has the right to thwart the desire of the people. The wishes of the majority of the party should prevail, and we pledge ourselves to support the candidates nominated at Chicago. The delegation chosen by this convention is instructed to act as a unit according to the determination of a majority of its delegates.

AGAINST SHERMAN SILVER BILL.

We demand the repeal of the Sherman silver law of 1880 as an obstruction of international bi-metalism, and because it is rapidly bringing this country to silver monometalism with all of its attending evils. We recognize the necessity of an organization through which the party may direct its energies; but when such an organization claims to be the party itself instead of its instrument, when it suppresses the voice and misrepresents the desire of the party, when it calls the caucuses at unaccustomed seasons and upon insufficient notices, when regardless of the votes cast it places upon the convention roll and admits to the convention only those who, without respect to the voice and wishes of their constituents, will agree in advance to support the scheme and oligarchy it has established; when it gives notice in advance that those who will not agree to be subservient will not be admitted then it ceases to be representative, creates discontent, rouses resentments and imperils the success of the party. In this emergency it becomes the duty of the original elements of the party to take such notice as will restore its justification before its members and their agents. We believe in and demand fair primaries, fair conventions, fair elections, fair returns and the faithful observance of the verdict of the ballot box.

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Free Bulletin for the Public.

New York, May 31.--The Western Union Telegraph Company has arranged to send bulletins from the national conventions in connection with the Associated Press to all parts of the country and give them to the public free of charge.

A STRAW VOTE

On a Convention Train--Cleveland Leads and Hill Wasn't in It.

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CLARKSBURG, W. VA., May 31.--A straw vote for President was taken on the train bearing the Pan-handle delegation to the Weston Democratic convention, between Fairmont and Grafton. There were three cars in the train, one of them being the special containing the Democratic delegation. The poll of the last named car stood as follows: For Cleveland 28; for Boies 1; for any western man 1; for Campbell 2; for Flower 1; for Whitney 1; for the nominee 1. The Wheeling newspaper representatives were not polled. The two other cars contained besides a few delegates to the convention local travelers, mostly citizens of Marion and Taylor counties. They stood as follows: For Cleveland 24; for Blaine 12; for Harrison 11; no choice 12; for Gorman 2; for Campbell 1; for Whitney 1; for Palmer 1; Farmers' Alliance 1. Hill wasn't in it there. G. A. D.

THE EPISCOPAL COUNCIL

Meets at Martinsburg To-day--Wheeling Ministers in Attendance.

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MARTINSBURG, W. VA., May 31.--The Episcopal Council for the diocese of West Virginia will convene in this city to-morrow, and a larger number of ministers and laymen than have attended before will be present during this session. The council will last four days, and the most prominent divines of the state will conduct the services. The business meetings will be also of much interest, as a number of important questions will come up before the council for consideration. Rev. Dr. Swope and Rev. Jacob Brittingham, of Wheeling, are in attendance. The former is the guest of Mr. W. N. Lynch at the Continental hotel, and the latter is the guest of Mrs. Dr. Buckles, and will preach the opening sermon on Wednesday morning. Dr. Swope will preach on Thursday morning.

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THE SECOND DISTRICT

Democratic Convention Promises To Be Much Warmer

THAN THE HOT WEATHER

We are Now Enjoying--A Fight will be Made Against Henry G. Davis for Delegate-at-Large--He is Charged With Not Being Strong in the Faith. Capt. Watson, of Fairmont, and B. F. Martin, of Grafton, will Have a Lively Fight for District Delegate.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligence.

CHARLESTOWN, W. VA., May 31.--This ancient old town, the shrine of the second district Democracy, is more Democratic than ever to-night, as delegates have been pouring into it since noon, so many in fact that comfortable quarters are at a premium. The indications from a general and studied view of the situation at this hour is that the convention will be a very noisy one, and unless matters are patched up hurriedly there will be much antagonism in the convention and much bitter feeling among the aspirants to the honors which the convention will dispense. There is no unanimity of opinion but on one feature of to-morrow's proceedings, and that is that the delegates will be instructed for Cleveland. It is safe to say that there are not half a dozen men among the delegates who favor any other man, though there are some who will make a fight against instructions. For delegate-at-large from this district the name of Henry G. Davis is receiving more mention than any other since it has been made known that Wm. L. Wilson thought it good politics not to accept the honor. Wilson himself will arrive at a late hour to-night, and make known his position and wishes, and the latter will have great weight. T. B. Davis and Wood Daily are the ex-senator's lieutenants and will put in all the available hours advocating his claims. Davis's fidelity to the Democratic party is being questioned and he will have some strong opposition. But with Wilson out of the race he will probably be the delegate-at-large.

From the eastern end of the district, the names of Col. J. A. Robinson, of Mineral, and Colonel Gilkison, of Hardy, will be presented. Robinson is for anything within reach, from delegate-at-large down to alternate district delegate. All he wants is to sit with the brethren at Chicago. The Democrats are here in great crowds from Marion helping Capt. J. Ed. Watson along in his efforts to represent the western end of the district, but B. F. Martin, of Taylor, has his eye on it and it will be an interesting fight.

Ohio County Braves Arrive.

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WESTON, W. VA., May 31.--The special train sent to Clarksburg to-night to convey the delegates to the Democratic district convention here to-morrow, brought in about fifty people. They arrived at 10:30 to-night. The Ohio county delegation were with them in full force.

RUINED IN TWO MINUTES.

A Chicago Board of Trade Firm Goes Under for \$300,000.

CHICAGO, May 31.--Considerable excitement was created on the Board of Trade by the announcement of the suspension of Coster & Martin this morning.

The shorts who shortly before had been trombling at the unprecedented settling figure of \$1 raised by the clique operating the corner in corn now danced about in glee and practically made their own prices. The talk was renewed that the unfortunate firm had unwittingly caught some such whale as Armour in their puny net and in their efforts to land him had pulled themselves into deep water. There are all sorts of wild estimates as to the losses sustained by Coster & Martin. It was definitely known that in addition to the capital required to carry through their deal up to to-day they needed this morning half a million dollars. An unexpected amount of corn was hurried into the city in one way or another almost at the last minute. They did not have the ready cash to do it,