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SILVER MEN MUST RULE

Otherwise They Will Take Affairs in Their Own Hands.

SUCH IS THE EDICT OF BIMETALLISTS.

If Necessary the Two-Thirds Vote Proposition Will Be Pushed Aside.

GOLD ADVOCATES TO TAKE THE BACK SEATS.

Governor Altgeld the Boss at Chicago, and He Now Favors Bland.

"The Call's" Headquarters, The Auditorium, Chicago, Ill., June 30.

The first ripple on the political wave was observed here to-day when the Bimetallic League and the Illinois delegation held meetings in the Sherman House and took steps for the protection of silver's interests at the convention.

Governor Altgeld was the principal figure there and his advice was that Illinois and the silverpeople should take the reins and drive the convention their own way.

It was decided not to allow the National Committee to unseat any silver men or fill their places with friends of gold. Bland is gaining strength in the lead, while the Teller boom is getting out of wind. If it should be necessary to rescind the rule requiring a two-thirds vote of the convention to nominate a President it will be done. The friends of free coinage have the convention in the hollow of their hands and they can do with it as they wish.

Governor Altgeld of Illinois is the man of the hour. He has now the marshaling of the bimetallic forces and intends to be the floor manager of the whole affair. The gold men will be sat down upon very hard. There is neither hope nor salvation for them. JOHN PAUL COSGRAVE.

SILVER CRUSADERS RALLY. From All Sections of the Union the Leaders Are Marching Upon Chicago.

CHICAGO, ILL., June 30.—The silver crusaders are marching on Chicago. The advance guard reached the city early this morning and established headquarters at the Sherman House, where the scene during the day was one of great activity. It was the annual gathering of the Democratic Bimetallic National Committee. There were present silver leaders from all parts of the country. They came from the North, South, East and West, all surcharged with bimetallic doctrine.

Governor Stone headed the Missouri delegation. He is a tall, active Missourian and is championing the cause of Bland for the Presidential nomination. Senator Jones of Arkansas was on the ground early. So was Senator Harris of Tennessee.

Governor Stone chatted pleasantly about the political situation. He said the Democrats in his State had won a great victory for the party in declaring for silver, and he thought if the National Democracy would adopt a like platform and set Bland upon it they would sweep the country.

"We want a platform," said the Governor, "that will clearly and absolutely declare for free silver coinage of both gold and silver at a ratio of 16 to 1. Such a platform will satisfy the Democrats of Missouri. They ask nothing more, they will accept nothing less. Mr. Bland is the most conspicuous candidate for the Presidential nomination at this time. I do not say that we will succeed in nominating him, but we will do all we can to accomplish that end."

Senator Dubois of Idaho arrived here last night to freshen up the Teller bomb, which seems to have petered out, though Lee Mantle of Montana has been in town for the last week looking after the candidacy of the Colorado statesman, whose intention is to place the name of Teller before the convention if a delegate can be found who will nominate him. Teller, however, was not mentioned at the meeting of the Bimetallic League to-day. That is an indication that he is not looked upon with much favor by the Democracy. On the other hand, the merits of Bland and Boies were generally discussed. They are the leaders in the race at this time.

A brief session of the bimetallic committee was held during the morning, and it was decided to take a firm stand on the question of temporary organization. The sentiment of the committee was for harmony, but if Chairman Harty should appoint as temporary presiding officer of the convention a delegate unfriendly to the silver interest the members of the league, the great majority of whom are delegates to the convention, will unhesitatingly spring a silver man for the position. A committee consisting of Senator Jones, Governor Stone, Senator Turpie, Governor Altgeld and Senator Daniels was appointed to confer with the Executive National Committee relative to the chairmanship.

It will be readily seen that this committee is composed of men of one purpose, and that is to direct the thought and action of the convention. They are determined that the platform shall contain a declaration for the unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1. Senator Hill of New York would be acceptable to many of the silver men as temporary chairman of the convention. He is probably the only gold man whom



UNCLE SAM—"IT'S NO USE, GENTLEMEN. SHE WON'T LIVE TO TAKE EITHER."

WHO THREW THAT BRICK?

A Conundrum That Caused a Hot Fight Between Strikers and Policemen.

Fifty Union Men Badly Clubbed and Sent to the Hospital at Cleveland, Ohio.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 30.—The biggest row which has yet occurred at the Brown Hoisting Works took place this afternoon, when the men quit work. The non-strikers, who are also non-unionists, marched out as under police protection to the streets. When the cars came along they refused to stop, although commanded to do so by the police, the motormen being presumably in collusion with the strikers. Meantime a mob of at least 5000 men were surging all around the band of police who were guarding the workmen. When it became evident that the streets would not stop it was determined to march to the Fourth Precinct for safety. A start was made in that direction, the mob growing more noisy and violent every moment. Finally the police could stand it no longer. Drawing their clubs, they charged, scattering the strikers right and left and knocking them down by the dozen. Twenty men were seriously injured and taken to the hospitals, while many others received scalp wounds and bruises. Fully fifty people were injured by the police. All the ambulances and all the available police force of the city were called to the scene.

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JAY GOULD'S FIRST WIFE

Affidavit of an Aged Minister, Who Performed the Marriage Ceremony.

An Examination Conducted Privately, All Present Being Pledged to Secrecy.

TUNKHANNOCK, Pa., June 30.—In pursuance of a commission issued on June 19, by the Supreme Court of the city of New York, Judge Mills, Beach M. Smith and Joe Kelly, acting as official stenographers, and F. F. Drake and H. Harding, as Commissioners, at the home of the Rev. Nathan Leighton, at this place, took Mr. Leighton's testimony and that of his blind daughter as to the alleged marriage of Sarah Ann Angell to Jay Gould.

GERMAN ARSENAL ON FIRE

People in the Neighborhood Are Fleeing for Their Lives.

Troops Fighting the Flames, With Only Seven Men Killed at Last Accounts.

BERLIN, GERMANY, June 30.—An arsenal near Port Messel, one of the forts in the vicinity of Metz, the capital of Lorraine, was discovered to be on fire to-night. The discovery caused consternation among the people in the neighborhood for the reason that there is an immense amount of explosives in the arsenal. The garrison troops were hurriedly turned out to fight the flames and prevent, if possible, an explosion, which, should it occur, would be disastrous. While the soldiers were at work there was an explosion of a comparatively small quantity of ammunition, which killed seven men and injured a number of others. This caused much excitement, but the troops bravely resumed their work. Large quantities of gunpowder and shells were hastily removed to places of safety, but there yet remains enough to blow the arsenal to atoms, should the fire reach it. Shortly before midnight the fire was still burning, but was thought to be under control.

Steamer sunk by a Collision. LONDON, Eng., June 30.—The British steamer Santarene, from Penarth June 2 for Para, was sunk by a collision with the British bark Dundonald, from San Francisco March 10 for Hull. The Dundonald proceeded in a leaky and otherwise dangerous condition with the crew of the Santarene on board. The passengers of the Santarene were landed at Para by the Norwegian bark Hlawatha.

INFURIATED POLES.

Raid the Beres Stone Quarries and Defy the Authorities.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 30.—The employees of the Cleveland Stone Company, who have been on strike at Beres since June 11, made a raid on the quarries there this afternoon and drove out some twenty men who were at work. The men took refuge in a blacksmith shop and were rescued with difficulty from the mob of 300 infuriated Poles. Mayor Christian tried to persuade the strikers to disperse, and failing, sent to this city for Sheriff Leach, who, with fifty deputies, hurried to the scene.

President Worthington asserts to-night that the men will return to work tomorrow despite the strikers, and the strikers say they shall not. A meeting was held in the Polish schoolhouse, to which none but strikers were admitted, and so critical has the situation become to-night, with officers and strikers patrolling the streets of Beres, that the Mayor will probably ask for troops if there is further trouble in the morning.

CONFEDERATE REUNION.

Twenty Thousand Veterans and Their Families Meet at Richmond to Unveil the Davis Monument.

RICHMOND, Va., June 30.—Nearly 20,000 veterans who followed the fortunes of Lee, Longstreet and Jackson have gathered here, many of them accompanied by their wives and families, to attend the sixth annual reunion and the unveiling of the Jefferson Davis monument. The exercises will continue for three days. There are in the organization known as the United Confederate Veterans nearly 1000 organized camps, many of which have come to the reunion in a body, and, in addition, more than twenty camps of the Sons of Veterans are here, a large proportion of the members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, representing each of the Southern States, and thousands of prominent citizens from all over the South and Southwest. Almost \$30,000 has been expended in the lavish preparations for entertainment, and the guests will enjoy the fullness of Virginia hospitality.

General Stephen D. Lee of Mississippi will deliver the oration of the occasion. Mrs. Jefferson Davis and Miss Winnie Davis will entertain the veterans in the old Davis house. One of the greatest attractions of the gathering is a tableaux of beautiful Southern girls, who attend as sponsors, one for each of the Southern States. Striking features of the reunion will be a mammoth chorus of 1000 trained voices, and the gathering of Mosby's famous rangers. A meeting of the board of directors of the Davis Monument Association and the Davis monument committee from the United Confederate Veterans was held last night to award prizes for the monument design. Percy Griffin of New York was awarded first prize, Edgerton S. Rogers and W. C. Newlands of Richmond, second and third. It is understood that at a later meeting Griffin's design will be adopted for the monument. This design is elaborate and expressive of the Southern people, and it estimated will cost \$300,000.

TEMPTING FATE.

A Daring Mariner Will Endeavor to Voyage Around the World in a Cocksleshell.

NEW YORK, N. Y., June 30.—Captain Adolf Fretzel, well known as one of the most daring seamen on this side of the Atlantic, is going to make an all-around the-world voyage in a cocksleshell. The captain has already made one trip across the Atlantic in his open sailboat, the Nina.

The new craft will be built of cypress, oak and red cedar, and will be 28 feet long with a 10-foot beam. All the material will be of the best quality that money can buy, and the tiny craft will also be furnished with a double set of sails, and a complete outfit of books, charts and other nautical apparatus will be taken along. The start will be made on July 4, and the captain intends going via the Illinois canal down the Mississippi River to New Orleans, thence across the Mexican Sea to Aspinwall, by rail across the Isthmus of Panama, thence north along the Pacific coast to San Francisco, thence westward to Honolulu and the Samoan Islands to New Zealand, to the principal ports of Australia, thence to Japan, to China, to the Philippine Islands, to Singapore and East India ports, thence through the Indian Ocean, the Red Sea, the Suez canal and the Mediterranean to the European ports, and thence across the Atlantic to New York and home to Brooklyn.

AN ASTOUNDING STATEMENT.

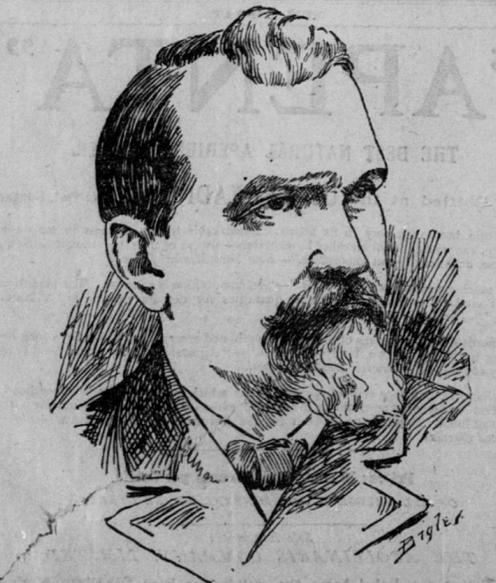
Over Fifty Thousand Armenians Slain by the Turks.

CHICAGO, ILL., June 30.—The secretary of the Armenian Relief Society in this city has just received a letter from S. M. Moore, chairman of the society, who is now in Turkey. Moore makes the astounding statement that since the troubles began over 50,000 Armenians have been slain by the Turks. Atrocities of the most awful kind are described. The present situation in the devastated region, the area of which is about the same as that of New England, is said by Moore to be far from hopeful.

ANOTHER MINE DISASTER.

Coal Diggers Disobey Orders and an Explosion Results.

FAYETTE CITY, Pa., June 30.—Last night Michael Barbaras and Louie Deresti, together with three or four other coal-diggers whose names are not yet known, contrary to orders entered the Washington mine, belonging to Biggs & Flinn, to take out their tools. A terrific explosion of mine gas occurred and Barbaras and Deresti were instantly killed. The fate of their companions is not known, but they are also believed to be dead. The explosion caused considerable damage to the mine. Owing to the presence of gas the interior cannot now be explored.



Senator Jones of Arkansas, One of the Noticeable Members of the Bimetallic League.

POPULISTS ARE ALERT.

Are Not Pleased With the Probable Action at Chicago.

MAY ACT INDEPENDENT OF DEMOCRATS.

Butler Sounds a Warning Note Against the Schemes of Whitney.

WILL NOT BE THROWN DOWN IN THE STRUGGLE.

Leaders of the People's Party Prefer to Name Their Own Candidate for President.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 30.—The improbability that Teller will be nominated at Chicago and that a thorough Democrat will be selected, leaves Populist leaders to carry out their threats to nominate a man of their own at St. Louis. The attitude of most of the Populists is strongly suggestive that what Democrats do will not be pleasing to the Populists and that they will travel the rocky road of politics alone.

Senator Butler of North Carolina is assuming a most independent attitude toward the Chicago convention. In a letter to his paper, the Caucasian, the official Populist organ of North Carolina, he shows his position clearly. The letter has not yet appeared, but an advance copy of it is in the hands of THE CALL correspondent. After eulogizing Senator Teller's course at St. Louis, Senator Butler writes as follows of the political situation and of the bolt at St. Louis: "A number of Democrats are now predicting that Teller and his friends will go into the Democratic party. Of course this is idle talk, for he will do no such thing. What a grievous blunder it would be for Teller and his friends to leave one old party and go into another one with equally as bad a record, simply because it is making more fair promises at this time. There is but one hope for silver and the people, and that is for every man who opposes the gold trust and monopolies to rally together under the people's banner at St. Louis on July 22."

"The announcement that ex-Secretary Whitney would hold up on his European trip, and that he and a number of other prominent gold men would go to the Chicago convention, has been seized upon by silver Democrats for party advantage. These silver Democratic leaders who have so long deceived the people and kept the financial question in the background when they knew it was the overshadowing question, but who are now trying to hold the honest rank and file of their party in line when they can no longer fool them by declaring for silver, are busily engaged in putting up a man of straw and knocking him down to show their courage and patriotism. They cry out that Whitney is going to Chicago to get the Democratic party to declare for the gold standard, and that if the people will put faith in them they will show how they will defeat Mr. Whitney and his evil schemes at Chicago. Now, the truth about the matter is, that neither Whitney nor any of the gold men are going to Chicago for the purpose of getting a gold plank. The gold wing does not want two candidates for President this year. He is going there for quite another purpose. It is to prevent silver men from uniting this year.

"It is true that when Mr. Whitney gets to Chicago he will urge Southern delegates to agree to a gold plank. When they decline he will urge them to accept a compromise plank. When they decline he will agree to a straight free-coinage plank, on condition that the silver men will agree to a compromise candidate for President, and here is where the deal will be made. Whitney will say to them: 'If you take Mr. A as your candidate the East will not furnish any campaign funds, but if you take Mr. B, who also claims to be a silver man, the East will put up the money for your campaign.'

"The thing that Mr. Whitney and the gold men fear most is that the Democratic National Convention might endorse Teller for President, and they fear that if this were done the St. Louis convention might also endorse him, and thus the silver force might be united. But, even if Mr. Whitney fails in everything else, his last card will be to have the gold men apparently endorse or submit to the action of the Democratic convention, in order to discredit it and make the union of the silver forces impossible. Whitney knows that the Democratic party is so odious on account of its false promises and treachery to the people that any candidate and any course that bears only the Democratic label is doomed to defeat in the coming campaign. He wants the Democratic party to run a free silver candidate and to be defeated in the coming campaign, but he wants to hold the party together, to keep Southern Democrats bound to Northern Democrats, because in 1900 it will be necessary for the gold men to control the National Democratic Convention, put up a goldbug for President, and elect him through the machinery and by the help of the Democratic party, including the South. This is Mr. Whitney's scheme, and for this, and for this only, he goes to Chicago.

"Those who doubt this will learn to their sorrow that it is true when it will be too late, and we predict in addition that silver Democrats will be caught in his trap, either knowingly or unknowingly." The fear of Populist leaders is that if their convention should endorse the Democratic nominee their party would be forever swallowed up in the Democratic party. It would lose its identity in all future