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SUBMERGES DEMOCRACY.

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"THE CALL'S" HEADQUARTERS,
THE AUDITORIUM,
CHICAGO, July 2.

A silver ground-swell is bearing down on Chicago. It threatens to submerge the Democratic party and leave intact only that portion of it that stands for the white metal. The gold men are fighting harder than ever, and when the reserve force from New York reaches here by special train tomorrow afternoon this bitter factional war will be fought to a finish on the lines already mapped out, even if, in the language of the silent general, it takes all summer.

There are only four days intervening before the date on which the Democratic braves of the country will gather in National conclave at the Coliseum. Up to two weeks ago the great issue was the platform, and the gravest point the character of the currency plank. All other questions were overshadowed. Candidates were not considered, the more complex problem being whether the convention would declare for gold alone as a monetary standard or whether it would speak out boldly for the free coinage of both gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. The developments of last week have settled the question. The platform of the Democratic convention is already written. It will declare for the free and unlimited use of silver as money. There will be no compromise. The silver men are masters of the situation. They will run things next week to suit themselves, even if the party should forever split on the rock of financial discord.



THE DEMOCRATIC SCRIMMAGE--ANYBODY'S BALL.

York delegation would accept Boies as their candidate any quicker than they would Bland.

"It should be a matter of indifference to New York who the convention will select as its candidate," says Mr. Farras, "since he will stand upon a silver platform, while the Empire State is solid for gold. Of course, if New York has decided to throw its seventy-two votes for Boies, it would give him about 140 votes on the first ballot, and eventually he might get the nomination. But I am not prepared to say that the story is true. It came to us from an unsolicited quarter. Anyway, we are not worrying very much about our candidate. He is leading in the race now, and we are hopeful of nominating him."

It is generally believed that Altgeld has thrown the influence of Illinois to Bland. His many secret conferences with Governor Stone would lead the onlooker to

WILL NOT SUPPORT MAJOR M'KINLEY.

Most Sensational Manifesto
Issued by Minnesota
Republicans.

THEY CRY FOR SILVER.

View With Alarm Attempts to
Fasten Upon the Nation a
Single Standard.

PUT FAITH IN BIMETALLISM.

Claim That the Fundamental Doctrine
of the Party Was Repudiated at
St. Louis.

ST. PAUL, MINN., July 2.—The most sensational manifesto in Minnesota's history was that issued this afternoon by the silver Republicans, who refuse to support McKinley for President, Clough for Governor or any of the Republican candidates for Congress. The prominence of the men signing it attracts widespread attention. Among them are Lieutenant-Governor Frank Q. Day, Congressman Charles A. Towne, ex-Congressman John Lind, State Senators Morgan, Sanborn, Howard and Smith. The address is issued to the Republicans of Minnesota and says:

The greatest issue which has arisen in this country since the abolition of slavery now confronts the American people. The common peo-

ple have viewed with increasing alarm the effort of a foreign money aristocracy to fasten upon this Nation the single gold standard of value. In the past they turned with the inspiration of faith to the Republican party for protection against that power which seeks to strike down one-half the redemption money of the world that the other half may purchase double the amount of products of toil.

They had a right to expect such protection. From the day of the party's birth until the present time no article of Republican faith has been more pronounced than the belief in bimetallicism. It has been written in its platforms and taught by all its great leaders. In the National Convention in 1888 it condemned "the policy of the Democratic administration in its efforts to demonetize silver."

In 1892, in its platform adopted at Minneapolis, it declared in favor of gold and silver as standard money. In 1894 the Republican party of Minnesota reaffirmed its belief in bimetallicism.

The action of the National Republican Convention at St. Louis has repudiated a fundamental doctrine of our party. The single gold standard has been indorsed. The Republican party no longer stands for both gold and silver as primary money, but for gold only. We cannot accept the new faith and we will hold steadfastly to the old. The policy of gold monometallism means prolonged and intensified depression; an endless and hopeless era of falling prices for our farmers and other producers; continued uncertainty of employment for our workmen, with lessening wages following the fall in prices of the products of labor; discouragement of all enterprises and in the end universal bankruptcy and gravitation of all money into the hands of money brokers.

Everyman who places country above party and whose sympathies are with the producers as against the money brokers and bondholders owes a duty to his conscience and to his country which can only be discharged by putting forth every effort in his power that the slight of the single gold standard may not be fastened upon this people.

England's Sugar Bounty.

LONDON, Eng., July 2.—In the House of Commons to-day Right Hon. George N. Curzon, Parliamentary Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated in a reply to a question by Sir Charles Vincent that the Government was not disposed to take the initiative steps toward the abolition of the sugar bounty system.

Action on the Land Bill.

LONDON, Eng., July 2.—The Irish Land bill passed its third reading in the House of Commons to-day by a vote of 292 to 140.

ON THE WAY TO THE CONVENTION.

Action of the California
Delegation on the
Train.

TAKING AFFAIRS EASY.

Discussion of the Platform and
Candidates Postponed for
One Day.

HARRY WISE AND THE TARIFF

Congressman Maguire Says Tarpey
and Dwyer Are Talked Of for
National Committeeman.

WELLS, Nev., July 2.—This has been a quiet day with the delegation. The discussion of platform and candidates was postponed by common consent until tomorrow. The chairmanship of the delegation, National Committeemen and committee assignments will not be considered until we reach Chicago. Tarpey and Dwyer are most talked of for member of the National Committee.

Harry Wise is trying hard to convince us that a tariff on raw wool should be made a part of the Democratic platform, but we persist in looking at the question from the standpoint of the people who wear woolen goods. He is not discouraged, however, and will present the matter to the committee on platform.

Ex-Congressman Caminetti was last night elected as a delegate to represent the Second Congressional District, neither Mr. Rector, the delegate, nor Mr. Donohue, the alternate, being able to attend. The Nevada delegates were expected to meet us at Reno, but they left for Chicago on another train. The trip is hot and dusty.

JAMES G. MAGUIRE.

BLUE RIVER FLOOD.

One Person Drowned and a Large Number Made Homeless.

BEATRICE, NEBR., July 2.—The Blue River, as a result of the heavy rainfall of yesterday morning, has reached the danger stage, and is within a foot of the high-water mark of 1892. Residents of the west side were obliged to vacate their homes, and during the night men in boats were at work rescuing those who could not get away. Dana Sleeth was drowned. This is the only fatality so far as known.

At Wymore twenty-five families are homeless, water surrounding their houses, which are flooded. The water is thought to be receding, and train service to the north, which was abandoned last night, will be soon resumed. In the farming districts crops are submerged and some livestock drowned.

Wilkesbarre Men Discouraged.

WILKESBARRE, PA., July 2.—Affairs at the Twin shaft this morning were no better. The shift that went down at 2 A. M. returned to the surface at 9 o'clock and reported very little progress. Not over forty feet of debris was moved since 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. All hope of finding any of the men alive is gone.

GOLD DEMOCRATS DRIVEN OUT

Beaten at Chicago They
Will Not Support the
Silver Nominee.

DETERMINED TO UNITE AND
VOTE FOR MCKINLEY.

Bland Not Conservative Enough to
Please the Desperate Federal
Brigade.

ALTGELD WILL NOT BE CHAIRMAN OF
THE CONVENTION.

The Illinois Governor and Dictator of the
Solid Silver Element Induced to Curb
His Ambitions Because of a
Rabid Record.

"THE CALL'S" HEADQUARTERS,
THE AUDITORIUM,
CHICAGO, Ill., July 2.

No new or startling developments have been noted up to midnight in the political situation. Boss Altgeld has given orders that the work of the convention shall be rushed through in one day if possible. He fears that delay may give the enemy time to muddle the financial issue, and as this is a silver convention, with no Democratic principles to be reaffirmed or pointed to with pride, the job might as well be done with one sweep of the knife.

In view of the scandal which might be caused by the selection of Altgeld as chairman of the convention, the Governor of Illinois has acceded to the request of the Governor of Missouri and has withdrawn. He will content himself on the floor of the convention in directing the plans laid by him and his friends.

The gold men are to be assisted by Federal officials from Washington, and if they cannot succeed in nominating a more conservative man than Bland they will vote for the Republican candidate.

JOHN PAUL COSGRAVE.

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The Democratic party is like the hero in a political opera bouffe. The old Greek adage, "Whom the gods wish to destroy they first make mad," needs an addition in their case of the word ludicrous. The Democracy is not only mad, but even funny. In the desperate straits to which it has been driven it has cut loose from its old-time moorings and is drifting on the silver seas toward breakers in the misty unknown. Democratic principles have vanished from discussion. They appear neither on the stage nor behind the scenes.

In fact, it has ceased to be a Democratic convention. It is a convention of silverites pure and simple. An old-time Democrat surveyed the crowd in the Palmer House to-day, listened to the extemporaneous debates, looked up and down and around the room as though he had missed something, and, turning to a bystander, inquired with a bewildered air: "Where is the Democratic party? I don't see anybody here but silver men and Populists and cranks. I thought the silver men and Populists were going to meet in St. Louis on July 22." Then the old man, shaking his head and squinting some tobacco juice on the boot of a gentleman from North Carolina, walked out of the hotel. No wonder that the old man felt lost in that crowd.

While the vase has been shattered, the scent of Democracy does not hang around it still by any means. It is apparent now, and it is not contradicted, that the silver men have captured the National Democratic organization, and that they propose to conduct it in their own interests without reference to those principles which made the Democracy one of the stable parties of this great Nation.

Anarchist Altgeld raised the black flag with the death-bed and cross-bones this morning in Springfield, to which place he had gone after having laid the mines and set the electric wires with Governor Stone of Missouri for the destruction of the Democratic party and the resurrection from its ashes of a silver phoenix. The Governor said that the silver men wanted a one-day convention, and that he was of the opinion that a one-day convention would be all that would be required to explode the mine. He and his friends did not wish to take the risk of a delay, advantage of which might be taken by the gold men to muddle the platform and to hamper the adoption of an out-and-out 16 to 1 free-coinage plank.

This is a sufficient intimation to all parties concerned that the silver programme has been completed, and that the work of the convention will be rushed through in one or two days at most. There was only one erasure on the slate as originally prepared by Altgeld and Stone, and that was the wiping out of Altgeld's name as chairman of the convention. It was found that Altgeld's record was so loud that the Democracy or the new party to which it has given birth would not be able to run a good race with Altgeld astride of its neck.

The leading Democrats, many of whom were personal friends of the Governor of Illinois, called upon him and succeeded in persuading him to relinquish the honors of the chairmanship. This was a very difficult task, and the gentlemen who accomplished the feat are being warmly complimented upon their success, for it is easier to get to heaven than to persuade Altgeld to change his mind or to be politically decent. The saying is abroad that if Governor Altgeld saw anything to displease him in the appearance of Peter he would hurl defiance into the teeth of the venerable doorkeeper and would go around the back way and climb over the wall.

The men who are in the minority—those who are opposed to the free coinage of silver—have given up all hope and are

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Wharton Barker, a Noted Philadelphia Banker and Editor of the "American,"
Who Is a Silver Candidate for the Democratic Presidential Nomination.

Boies contingent does not take kindly to it, and there are others who think it would be better to have the convention as a whole select a candidate. They hold that in this way they will be able to soothe the ruffled temperament of the gold men, who would otherwise sulk in the harness and probably openly rebel against the dictation of the solid South and West. The disposition of the Boies people to go before the convention is probably encouraged to some extent by the belief that they will draw considerable force from the Eastern States. In fact the rumor was in circulation about the headquarters of the different candidates to-day that New York would in the event of not being able to secure a gold man at the head of the ticket throw its 72 votes for Boies. The Bland men were very much alarmed over this rumor and consequently are working with renewed energy to have the caucus plan carried into effect. It is doubtful if the other candidates apart from Bland would agree to such a bargain, as they realize that their chances would be very much better before the general gathering.

J. W. Farras, who is the original Bland boomer, and also the personal representative of the Missouri farmer, and who first nominated Bland for Congress in 1872, told me that he did not think the New

such a conclusion, since the former has all along held aloof from the managers of any particular candidate. Chairman Ferguson of New Mexico called at the Bland headquarters to-day and said that his delegation was for the Missourian. Alabama was also counted to the credit of "Silver Dick" by the young man who makes up the returns at the headquarters. Judge W. H. Barnes and Wiley E. Jones, delegates from Arizona, who had just arrived in the city, say that the delegation leans toward Bland, but any candidate will be acceptable as long as the platform declares for silver. Judge Barnes is an old-time resident of Illinois. He was appointed to the judgeship in Arizona under the first Cleveland administration, and has since been a resident of that Territory. Judge Barnes is after the scalp of William C. Whitney of New York.

"I just want to meet that fellow Whitney," said Judge Barnes. "I just want to meet that fellow," said the Arizona Judge, as he quaffed a few paragraphs of red ink in the cafe of the Auditorium annex to-night, "and I will make him swallow his insulting language about the South and the West combining to repudiate the National debt. I want to tell him to his teeth that the people of the South

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Senator George Gihann Vest of Missouri, Who Will Labor for Silver in the
Councils of His Party at Chicago.