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Congress meets Monday next.

The committee appointed by Gov. Foster to visit the corn and railroad centers for low prices for the drouth sufferers of this State, have returned, and report world's of corn at 14 to 18 cents per bushel, and freight rates at almost their own naging.

It is the duty of every American citizen who loves liberty to take a firm stand against any increase of the Federal army. No people can possibly perpetuate liberty and maintain a large standing army. The two are incompatible.—Texas Farm & Ranch.

The man who steals a vote is as much a thief as the man who steals a pocket book. The man who fraudulently opens a ballot box and changes the ballot cast by citizens is a greater criminal than the burglar who cracks a safe and robs it of money.—Nashville Banner.

The Daily Caucasian in commenting on our last week's reference to that useless and expensive nuisance, the inspector of weights and measures says:

But the Populist should bear in mind that if this office were abolished, at least one man in every parish of the State would be deprived of a job.

That is so, and is just what we were thinking of when we said that it was useful only to the machinery of politics.

"Vincent's Nonconformist."

It is a genuine pleasure to us to inform our readers that the American Nonconformist, at Indianapolis, Ind., is again owned and edited by the "Vincent boys" that made it such a power for good in the campaigns of 1888 to 1893. In the latter year, in the panic, the paper was bought by Mr. Templeton, at one time populist candidate for governor of Indiana, and is now repurchased by Prof. C. Vincent. It has the old snap and vim that made it so popular in every state in the union, and in addition to being one of the very best papers any populist can have, either for home use or for propaganda work, it has added a most complete and well edited News and Family Department, and it gives the latest and most complete market reports by telegraph up to the hour of going to press. These departments will give it a decided advantage in the race for subscribers in every part of the country. We most heartily recommend the New Noncon as a thoroughly up-to-date, vigorous, true-blue populist national newspaper, that hews to the line of the St. Louis platform and treats courteously those who may differ in opinion as to methods to be employed. Its "People's Forum" and "Exchange" columns are alone worth twice the cost of the paper.

Bring your produce, such as Beef Hides, Beeswax, &c., to H. Kaffie & Bro., they will pay you highest market value.

Gains in Populism.

In this issue will be found an article headed "Platform for 1900," taken from "The American," edited by Wharton Barker, the great free silver Democrat of Philadelphia, who was a candidate before the Chicago convention, and who lead the fight which gave Bryan over 400,000 votes in Pennsylvania.

Read his platform closely and you will see that he follows the Populists on their railroad, telegraph and land, as well as financial planks.

He also discards free trade and takes up Populism bodily.

It does seem that Populism will soon be the slogan of all those 6 millions who voted for Bryan, and we should continue the fight with renewed hope, energy and confidence.

The Platform for 1900.

THE ROAD TO VICTORY.

Wharton Barker, in The American.

1. We declare our fixed purpose to work for the restoration of silver to its time-honored place as money, side by side with gold. Believing, moreover, that it is America's place to command, not to follow, we spurn to wait upon Great Britain or any other foreign nation, especially as we recognize that Great Britain is ruled by the creditor classes, among whom converts to bimetalism are only made at the cost of hundreds of ruined products in America and other debtor nations.

To this end we pledge ourselves to the prompt repeal of all laws by which silver has been demonetized and its use abridged, to prohibit all discriminations by the government or any of its officers against either gold or silver, and to admit both metals to the right of free and unlimited coinage at our mints at the ratio of 16 to 1, with full power for all the money thus coined as legal tender for all public dues and in all transactions of the citizen.

2. Recognizing that the government should guard over the measure of value even more scrupulously than it guards over the measures of weight, distance and quantity, we pledge ourselves to oppose all schemes for the retirement of our non interest bearing national paper money, and the substitution of bank currency therefor, we protest against the surrender of this sovereign power to the banks, and we demand that all issues of paper money whatsoever, shall be issued directly by, and the volume thereof controlled by the National Government.

3. We view with alarm the rapid centralization of capital and the unexampled growth of trusts and combinations designed to repress competition and raise prices by restricting production, but in view of the appreciation of gold resulting in the impoverishment of our people and the restriction of the purchasing power of the community such growth is not surprising. Consumption being greatly curtailed, such a thing as competition among buyers is unknown. Competition among producers (sellers) not being balanced by competition among buyers, becomes keener and fiercer until finally the very advantages that should accrue to the consumer from competition are annulled by the destruction of many competitors, while the survivors are driven to combine and restrict production in order to maintain prices and save themselves from bankruptcy.

Naturally, and rightly, such trusts and combinations excite the enmity of the public, for while by monopolizing the products of various articles of manufacture they are enabled to tax the consumer in the shape of an unduly enhanced price for what he buys, the wage-earner, employed by such combinations, receives no benefit from the enhanced price charged the consumer for the product of his labor. On the contrary, while the consumer is obliged to pay trust prices the wage-earner is forced to accept trust wages. Such a state of affairs cannot be tolerated, and we demand such legislation as will prevent the formation of trusts and combinations designed to tax the consumer on the one hand and the wage-earner on the other, and provide means to discover dishonest overcapitalization of corporations, and enforce penalties against such overcapitalization.

4. It is the duty of the government to see that the products of labor are justly distributed, that the many be not despoiled for the benefit of the few, and to the end that all producers shall enjoy a recompense for their toil, we hold that it is the duty of the govern-

ment to absorb and operate in the interest of the whole people all such agents in the distribution of wealth as tend, in the hands of private corporations, to develop into monopolies. We hold that oppression of the people by such monopolies either through the charge of exorbitant rates for transportation or through discrimination on the part of our transportation companies against some localities and some individuals, should not be tolerated, and to the end that all producers may be accorded the same treatment and protected against unjust charges, we demand that the government own and operate our railroads and telegraphs.

5. We demand the maintenance of a true Protective System, a system that will

(a) Protect American labor against underpaid and degraded European and Asiatic labor, and secure to American citizens the American markets.

(b) Demonstrate that protection is a national question, not a class question, and that protective duties are not imposed for the benefit of any class, but for the public advantage of (1) diversified industries, (2) the industrial independence of the nation, (3) the maintenance of comfort and intelligence among the people, and (4) the promotion of domestic commerce through extension and improvement of the means of communication.

But where trusts and combinations, sheltered by protective tariff duties, have monopolized production, thus repressing domestic competition, we urge unhesitatingly, in the interests of the wage-earner and consumer, the removal of all protective duties from all imported articles which such trusts and combinations have monopolized.

6. We demand legislation that will prohibit immigration of subjects or citizens of foreign countries, unless such immigrants intend to become citizens of the United States, and unless they can demonstrate that they have not been of the criminal classes in the countries from which they emigrated.

7. We protest against the sale of public lands to aliens, and we demand legislation that will prohibit such sale and ownership.

8. We demand for the people of the United States an American policy thorough and strict, and with all possible emphasis we reaffirm the principles of the Monroe Doctrine as enunciated by Thomas Jefferson, that: "Our first and fundamental maxim should be never to entangle ourselves in the broils of Europe; our second, never to suffer Europe to intermeddle with Cis-Atlantic affairs."

Clothing at reduced prices at H. Kaffie & Bro.

Congressman-elect Jerry Simpson has an only son whom he did not see for several weeks till just before the election. Jerry told a reporter that on sitting at the table with the boy, he opened a dialogue with him:

"My son, what has become of your watch?"

"Bot it on the election."

"And the ring I gave you last Christmas?"

"Upon the election, too."

"And the pony?"

"I put him up to say that Barber county would give Simpson a majority."

"And the saddle—what has become of that?"

"Oh, the saddle is all right, if a certain man named Simpson carries Harper county by 200."

"And the shotgun?"

"Up against \$6 that Long wouldn't carry Sedgwick county."

"Have you anything at all left?"

"The clothes that I am wearing and an extra shirt."

"What has become of your little bank account?"

"Staked on the political fortunes of my house. I wish I had some more money for two men down at the livery stable have \$100 to say that Long is elected."

Jerry Simpson sipped his coffee meditatively, and, rising from the table, took out his check book and gave the boy \$100. In a short time the boy came back and said:

"Pop, those livery stable fellows say they would like to have another \$100 of Simpson money."

Jerry wrote another check, and in ten minutes the boy, having placed it, came back and said:

"I have bet 'em on a standstill. They want odds now."

"How much?" said Jerry.

"They want me to give 'em 1,000 majority."

"Oh, that's all right," said Jerry, as he made out a check for another hundred.

The boy placed it, and after this no more bets were offered.

Jerry said that his boy was now wearing diamonds.—Kansas City Star.

Married:

DUFILHO—SHACKELFORD.—At the residence of the bride's brother, Mr. W. L. Shackelford in Colfax, La., at 8 o'clock in the evening, on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 1896, Mr. J. Mc. Dufilho and Miss Mattie A. Shackelford were united in marriage by Rev. Father Boulter, of Natchitoches.

A number of the friends and relatives of the happy couple were present to congratulate them and partake of the excellent wedding supper provided in honor of the occasion. The bride and groom went at once to their new home on Grant's point, Natchitoches parish, which had been fitted with new furniture and finishings. We wish them joy and success in life, and return thanks for their kindly remembrance of the printer with a liberal share of the wedding cake.—Colfax Chronicle.

Big pound box of choice Baking Powder for only 10 cents, at Burnside's.

Notice to Alliances.

The Farmers' Alliances lately reorganized in Natchitoches parish are hereby notified to elect delegates to meet with Harmony Union—near Robertsville, on the T. & P. railroad, on Dec. 22nd, for the purpose of reorganizing the parish Union. All are requested to be promptly on hand at 10 o'clock. Any neighborhood not having a Union can be organized and will be allowed representation in the meeting by making application to me before that time. I will at the earliest moment respond to a call and organize a Union where responsible parties notify me they wish to organize.

Fraternally,

J. A. TETTS, State Lecturer Farmers' Alliance and General Organizer.

We would like to have an expression from each member of the People's party State Central Committee as to the advisability of calling a meeting of that body in Alexandria, in January, for consultation and general party work.

Some kind of organization and effective work should be commenced at once in the interest of the Constitutional Convention to be held about a year hence, when the last desperate struggle for fair elections and good government in this State will be made.

H. L. BRIAN, Ch.

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