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IOWA DEMOCRATS CONSERVATIVE

Tariff Tinkering Promised at the Regular Session.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Aug. 23.—The Democratic State Convention assembled here today. Henry Vollmer of Davenport was chosen temporary chairman. After the committees had been announced the convention adjourned to 2 p. m. The renomination of Boies is certain, Governor Boies said this morning that his letter declining to run a third time was sincere but he was willing to subordinate his wishes to the wishes of the Democratic party. The committee on resolutions insures conservative silver utterances. Henry Stivers, member of the committee from 7th district, a radical and free silver man was elected over the free silver opponents at Des Moines. In 5th dist. P. O. Stuart, free silver candidate, was defeated.

A DEMOCRATIC SPEECH.

On taking the chair Vollmer said: "We live, it is true, under a Democratic administration, both state and national, but both in state and nation we are cursed by Republican laws. Let us not forget, nor permit the people to forget, that we still have the blessed McKinley bill, that latest but most developed offshoot of the poisonous plant of protection. Let us not forget, especially, that that cowardly makeshift denounce! by the National platform of last year, the Sherman bill, discredited now by its own author, still stands upon the statute books. Our party is even held responsible for the condition of the treasury of the United States, yet four years ago it went out of power, leaving a surplus of a hundred million dollars. Both the McKinley and Sherman bills have got to go, and the people will sustain us in the good work. In the state we are still blessed with a set of blue laws, that suggest the ignorant intolerance of the dark ages, rather than the broad-minded liberalism of these latter days of the nineteenth century."

A General Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 23.—Chairman Wilson, of the ways and means committee of congress today, said: "The committee will probably prepare a general tariff bill, in accordance with the declarations of the Chicago platform. I think it is quite probable congress will adjourn about the middle of September."

First Cholera Victim.

WELLINGTON, Mo., Aug. 23.—Mrs. Mary Landrum, who lived a mile and a half west of this place, died this morning of sporadic cholera.

Consular Marshal.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—The president has named Henry J. Boettwick of Ohio, to be marshal of the consular court of the United States at Tien Tsin, China.

The Money Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—Demand for money for the purpose of moving crops is beginning to be felt. Currency still commands a premium of 1 1/2 per cent, but business is light. Gold to arrive is at a premium of 1/2 per cent. Spot gold is offered at 1 1/2 per cent.

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BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The Knop & Co. bank, Cedar Falls, Ia., has assigned.

Fairfield, Wn., lost a dozen houses by fire. Value \$12,000.
Silver jumped up 2 cts. an ounce in London Tuesday.

Burglars in San Jose got \$750 worth of drygoods last night.

The Chinese have cleared out of Huron and Ontario, Calif.

The Coos Bay & Roseburg railroad is completed to Myrtle Point, which makes twenty-six and a half miles of road finished.

Meetings of prominent citizens are being held at Chicago and elsewhere to devise means to feed and employ the unemployed.

A dispatch gives this account of the cause of the riot at Gilberton, Pa.: In the car were a number of men taken on at Girardville, members of the national guard, who had with them rifles belonging to the company. While the railway officials were engaged in conversing with the borough officers, some one in the crowd taunted the men on board the car and called out "Where is the Girardville militia?" John Briggs of Girardville stepped out, and saying "Here we are" fired into the crowd, killing Richard Parfitt.

How to Make a Scrapbook.

A scrapbook should not be composed of miscellaneous material, but confined to some special purpose. Let the collector decide rigidly whether pictures or printed texts are to be collected. In pictures the collector should confine himself to a definite subject, whether portraits, historical landscapes or some branch of natural history. A book of famous authors may be collected by two widths of ordinary newspaper clippings. The margin may be used for notes, including dates and a few explanatory memoranda. The clippings should be kept for a week or so before they are pasted down because a second judgment may rule them out. This quite safe to advise collectors that no fitting will do unless it bids fair to be fresh and intelligible a year after it has been honored with a place in the scrapbook. If the pages become too thick for the cover, cut out two or three leaves after each page filled with the clippings. When there is the slightest possibility that a scrapbook may be used for publishing purposes or that any of its entries may be cut out for other use, cover one page only. But on the page used the clippings should be packed closely together.

If possible, each clipping should retain the "rule" which marks the end of a printed paragraph or poem. The column lines need not be retained. In fact, it is best to cut newspapers always along these lines. Ragged edges of course should be avoided, and the mullage with which the clippings are pasted down should be used sparingly, lest it ooze through the paper or exude from under the edges. Flour paste is better than mullage, and what is known as photographer's paste is excellent.—Literary World.

Familiar Names of English Birds.

The number of birds—"dicky birds," shall we call them?—which are familiarly known by Christian names is probably cut as larger than most people suppose. Besides Tom Tit, there is Tom Noddy, the puffin (Tammie Norrie or Tammas in Scotland); Tom Harry, the skua, and Tom Pudding, the dabchick. The Jacks, as we should suppose, are commoner still—Jack Daw, Jack Sparrow, Jack Snipe, Jack Nicker (the goldfinch), Jack Curlew (the whimbrel) and Jack Saw (the goshawk). The town sparrow is surely Jack rather than Dick, at least when he is given his name in full, although his somewhat distant cousin, the hedge sparrow, is certainly Dick Darmock. Willie is the guillemot. Billy Biter (the titmouse) is one who bites Billy. I suppose, and cannot be fairly pressed into the list.

It is very interesting to know that the cockbird is always the "tombird" in Oxfordshire, but in none of these cases is there the least probability that the question of sex is involved in the name. The hen tit is quite as properly called Tom as the hen daw is called Jack, or the cock parrot Poll. On the other hand, Jenny Wren is always a lady with those in the secret of "Jolly Robyn," and the modern spirit of scientific inquiry will not easily dispel the lore acquired by the students of "unnatural" history. Kitty Wren may possibly be only a corruption of "cutty wren"—a name common enough in some parts of the country. Mag, Madge or Margot (Margaret), the magpie, is of course either the cock or the hen, and so perhaps for the other Madge—the owl. "I'll sit in a barn with Madge howlet," says Ben Jonson, "and catch mice first."—G. H. Leonard in London Spectator.

In one of the small towns of New England where a life among the well-to-do and the substantial and personal quarrels are apt to be frequent there once dwelt two highly respected citizens who had become estranged over some trivial incident and were consequently much annoyed in their animosity that would have bitter in their probably, had they quarreled over weightier matters. Chancing to meet one day on a narrow sidewalk, one of them drew himself up haughtily and exclaimed, "I never turn out for a rascal." "I always do," rejoined the other, and with a low bow and a graceful sweep of the arm he stepped out into the street and passed on, leaving his rival baffled and dumfounded.—New York Times.

VOORHEES ON SILVER.

Makes the Greatest Speech of His Life

AGAINST THE SHERMAN BILL

Democrats Defending the Coinage of Silver.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Interest in the financial discussion in congress was transferred to the senate, when Senator Voorhees made a great speech, justifying his position in voting for the unconditional repeal of the Sherman act. Nearly one-third of the entire membership gathered in the rear seats, and the galleries above were packed to suffocation. The speech of Senator Voorhees was one of his greatest efforts, and while the senator did not abate one jot of his past bimetallic record, the burden of his argument was directed to proving that the repeal of the Sherman act was a proposition which, as a necessity, could have no material effect on the merits of bimetallicism as public policy. Allen gave notice of an amendment he would offer to Voorhees' bill. It proposes to add to the repealing clause of that bill a provision that hereafter standard silver be coined into dollars, halves, quarters, and dimes at the present ratio of sixteen to one, under the same conditions as to mintage and other charges enforced in relation to the coinage of gold, and that the secretary of the treasury shall, without unnecessary delay, cause all the silver bullion owned by the government to be coined into standard silver dollars, to be legal tender. Voorhees then took the floor and addressed the senate in advocacy of the bill reported by him, discontinuing the purchase of silver bullion.

He explained that the action of the president in convening the extra session was owing to the loss of confidence in the financial world. This loss of confidence he said, was not in the credit of the government, which was better today than any other on the globe. He praised the administration for refusing to gratify the demand of capitalists for the issue of \$300,000,000 more bonds. He summarized the elements of the nation's financial strength within its own borders, and regretted that legislation had checked our foreign trade, and had left us today without a commercial friend in the world. He had faith that the giant evil which crippled the commerce of the country would be removed with the other evils which challenged attention and action. If the true greatness of the country were studied it would be seen that financial panics and alarms could have no foundation here. There was another exceedingly powerful test of the government's credit. Money was simply a medium for exchange of values; money was a creature, congress its creator. Gold and its alleged intrinsic value went for naught as a circulating medium unless the coin bore the stamp of the government. The same official stamp on silver or paper at once ennobles them to the same quality with gold in purchasing power, no matter how debased and valueless the material may have become as commodities by sinister or unwise legislation. There were nine different currencies used in the transaction of business in this country, which should be uniform in purchasing power, so as to make them interchangeable. Never but once had these currencies been discredited by the government, and that would never happen again. It was the duty of the government to furnish a sound, reliable, constitutional money for the people.

At the evening session of the house, Ellis, Dem., of Kentucky, spoke in favor of free coinage. Kaig, Dem., of Maryland, and De Forest, Dem., of Connecticut, spoke vigorously for the repeal of the repealing clause of the Sherman act. He asserted that the cry for relief came not so much from the rich and powerful as from the humble poor, from the worthy and industrious masses. Arnold, Dem., of Missouri, denied that there was any condition in the country to justify the demon-

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tization of silver which would follow the repeal of the Sherman law. Williams, Democrat, of Mississippi, spoke in favor of the coinage of silver. In the name of the farmers and laborers he protested against the minority of the Democratic party joining the bulk of Republicans in repealing the Sherman law. Tracy, Democrat, of New York, vehemently asserted that when the vote came a majority of the Democrats would be found voting for the unconditional repeal of the purchasing clause. Williams replied that would never be in this world. He predicted that after the next election the monometalist Democrats would find themselves with protection Democrats either at home or on the Republican side. At the conclusion of Williams' speech the house adjourned.

Unless there are changes in the senate, which are not looked for, the majority against the three appointed senators will be three or four. Several votes, which will not be according to the honest convictions of the senators but either for personal or silver considerations, will be for their admission. Senator Mitchell, who has been conducting the fight against their admission, said today that he had no doubt that the vote would be against them.

PEACHES AND PUNCH.

What Will Be Done With the Exposition Buildings.

WORLD'S FAIR GROUNDS, Aug. 23.—Today in West Virginia and Delaware day. Delaware furnished peaches and West Virginia punch. After the exposition is over the buildings will be sold at auction. About the only thing of future use in them are the iron and steel arches and timbers. It is thought not more than a million dollars will be realized from the auction.

THE MARKETS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—Wheat, December, \$1.12.
CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—Cash, 60; September 61.
PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—Wheat valley, 97@1.00, Walla Walla 87@90; Dec. \$1.21.

DISASTROUS RUNAWAY.

Oranson Higgins and Guy Smith Thrown from a Wagon.

ZENA, Aug. 23.—This morning as Mr. C. Higgins and his little nephew, Guy Smith, were driving to this place they met with quite an accident. Mr. H. had his young horses hitched to a lumber wagon, and as they were passing G. H. Crawford's residence the team became frightened, a trace unhitched, the pole broke and went to the ground, and, after a few rods run, the pole was forced into the ground, the team broke loose, the wagon was badly wrecked, and Mr. Higgins and little Guy were thrown high in the air to come down on the hard ground. The two unfortunate were taken into Prof. Crawford's house and on examination it was found that no bones were broken, but Mr. H. was badly bruised about the head and face, also on the left hip. The little boy complained of his back hurting him, and received a bad bruise and cut near the left eye. They were placed in a hack and Mr. Shepard and Prof. Crawford accompanied them home. The horses escaped injury except a small cut on one foot. One ran about half a mile when it was thrown down and remained until captured. The other was captured about a mile from where the accident occurred.

Indian Fighter Dead.

SENECA, Aug. 22.—R. L. Woolen, well-known throughout as "Uncle Dick," died in Trinidad last night in his 80th year. He was the greatest pioneer in America, and the oldest Indian fighter in the world.

The Antiquity of the Pump.
The development of the modern steam pumping engine forms one of the most important features of progress in the field of mechanics, the details of which are outlined in an entertaining manner by Mr. William M. Barr. According to this writer, however, the ancients were not without a great deal of ingenuity in devising methods for the raising of water, and it is of interest to study some of these methods as introducing principles still in use in the construction of pumping machinery. Machines for raising water may be said to be as old as civilization itself, and their invention extends so far beyond written history that no one can say when the art of lifting and distributing water began. Egypt, the land of unapproachable antiquity, the oldest civilization of the orient, noted not only for her magnificent and power, but for knowledge, wisdom and engineering skill, understood and made practical use of such important hydraulic devices as the siphon and the syringe, the latter being a remarkable invention and the real parent of the modern pump. Whether or not syringes were ever fitted with inlet and outlet valves, thus making the single action pump, is not known. But bellows consisting of a leather bag set in a frame and worked by the feet, the operator standing on one foot on each bag, expelling the enclosed air, the exhausted bag being then lifted by a string to refill it with air, implies the use of a valve opening inward, and it is difficult to conceive of a continuous operation without one.—Engineering Magazine.

A Society Man Tells Secrets.
Of course in Newport one always visits, and usually an invitation includes one's servants. This, however, is sometimes not the case, owing to the limited accommodations for servants in this country. Under such circumstances he boards at the nearest place. This is undoubtedly a mistake, and I think twice before accepting a second invitation to such a house, and the groom and attendant for a man who visits a great deal, are by no means a small item. They frequently amount to more at the end of the year than would keep many a family. After a week's visit in a smart house, I give the butler \$5, each footman \$2, the head coachman the same as the butler, and the groom the same as the footmen. In this country I never go as a housekeeper. She is apt to be a poor relative. To the housemaid who attends to my rooms I give \$3. These are ordinary fees. In semibarbaric houses I presume the fees are less. I really do not know.—Cor. Vogue.

Their Values.
The visitor in the town was asking his host about the people they saw passing the window.
"Who's that ordinary looking man with the handsome woman?" asked the visitor as a couple went by.
"That's Mr. Dime."
"And the lady?"
"That Mrs. Dollar."
"Ah! you must have a moneyed aristocracy here," laughed the visitor.
"No, not exactly. You see, that isn't her name. She's his wife, and I call her that as a joke."
"Why?"
"Because she's worth 10 of him."—Detroit Free Press.

A Remarkable Book.
Fulgencius wrote in Latin a work of 23 chapters, dividing them according to the order of the 23 letters of the Latin alphabet. The first chapter is without a, the second without b, and so with the rest.

Newspapers in New York State.
Since the centennial year, 1876, the number of newspapers in New York state has nearly doubled. There were 1,088 published then, and there are 2,131 now.—Printer's Ink.

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