

ONLY ONE WORD.

But It is Very Much in Evidence Just Now

WITH THE PLATFORM MAKERS.

Some Want It Expressed "the Present Standard,"

OTHERS WANT "GOLD" INSERTED

But It is Claimed Neither Side Knows Exactly "Where They Are At"—Virtually It Takes on the Phase of a Nursery Racket Over Nothing—Revolt Against Platt in the New York Delegation.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

ST. LOUIS, June 15.—On the eve of the convention it is not determined whether the money plank shall declare for gold by name, or whether the yellow metal shall be spoken of as the present standard and let it go at that.

No matter what may be said, the point is not settled and nobody has authority to settle it until the convention takes hold. The committee on resolutions is appointed and the "gold" men think they have it. It may be so, but I know that they are unable to name the men who make up the majority claimed.

The sound money men of the Mississippi valley say that the use of the word "gold" will help the demagogues in their region to frighten the timid and may lose some electoral votes.

The matter of great interest to-day was the battle royal in the New York state delegation. If it had been a national state delegation, there would have been guns in the argument.

The Revolt Against Platt. The like of it was probably never heard on a like occasion in any national delegation. Platt and Warner Miller were in turn denounced, each to his teeth.

WEST VIRGINIA DELEGATION

Organizes and Declares for the Present Standard—A Hot Fight on the Selection of the National Committee.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 15.—The West Virginia delegation organized to-day as follows: Chairman, A. B. White; secretary, D. W. Houghner; committee on credentials, O. W. O. Hardman; permanent organization, H. Schmitt; basis of representation, F. C. Rathbone; rules and order of business, J. L. Hurst; resolutions, F. M. Reynolds; to notify the presidential nominee, W. N. Lynch; to notify the vice presidential nominee, T. Edgar Huston; sergeant-at-arms of delegation, J. W. Chaffin.

By Associated Press. ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 15.—The West Virginia delegation to-day declared for a gold standard and elected its list of the convention committee, but it is itself into a deadlock over the office of national committee.

IT IS ALL OVER

Except the Shouting when the Nomination is Declared.

THE TRIUMPH OF M'KINLEY

So Complete that His Friends Can be Magnanimous.

PARTISANS OF SPEAKER REED

Quay, Morton and Allison are Whistling for Appearance Sake, and will Go Down with Colors Flying—The Convention will be Nothing but a Camp of Harmony—The Silver Schismatics, Led by Senator Teller, Have Only Mustered Five States, Giving Them a Strength of Fifty Delegates Out of a Total of Over Nine Hundred—Formulating a Manifesto Severing Their Allegiance with the Grand Old Party.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 15.—On the eve of the tenth national convention of the Republican party, St. Louis resembles a bride decked for the coming of her bridegroom.

The buildings flame with bunting, and windows are adorned with pictures of the various candidates, the air boats with the pulsating of martial music as parading clubs, go sweeping by, the streets surge with people borne along in restless streams while the hotel corridors are choked with a jostling, pushing mass of humanity.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 15.—It is conceded on all hands that Mr. Hanna will be made chairman of the national committee if he will accept. He has not yet signified his acceptance in explicit terms, but he has said enough to convince his friends of his willingness to assume the duties of the place.

Will Go Down with Colors Flying.

The names of the other candidates will be presented and voted for and will probably poll full strength. Indeed, the Reed men to-day have labored assiduously to rally their followers to the last man. They have appealed to his friends to go down with colors flying.

Upon the tariff, and upon all other questions there is substantial unity, but the differences upon it are as wide as the continent. Free silver and gold are as irreconcilable as the poles, and the radical silver men are prepared to stake their all upon the issue.

The Battle for Gold.

Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska, Oregon and Washington also took strong ground for gold. In Indiana General Lew Wallace was chosen a member of the resolutions committee, after he had declared that he would not stand on the Indiana plank, and that the utterances for the maintenance of the gold standard could not be made too strong.

The California delegation after being in session all the afternoon, chose J. D. Spreckles to succeed M. H. De Young as national committeeman.

The Mississippi delegation met at 4 o'clock at the Southern. The fight between the Lynch and Hill factions resulted in a victory for the latter, Hill having twelve out of the eighteen votes.

The colored delegates to the convention at mass meeting to-day, attended by more than two-thirds of their number, declared for the gold standard.

The members of the American Protective Association will ask the national convention to recognize them to the extent of inserting a plank in the platform which, after conceding to all the utmost freedom in the exercise of the right to worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience, will declare for the restriction of immigrations to-day of their membership on the committee was not marked by sensational incidents save in New York and Missouri.

tion to the extent of excluding all undesirable persons, for changes in the naturalization laws and their administration so as to prevent unfit persons from becoming citizens; for one general non-sectarian free public school system; no public schools of any character, and all appropriations of public money or property shall be solely for public institutions and for the benefit of every class of the people, to be disbursed by responsible public officials.

Filliey Knocked Out. In the Missouri delegation Chauncey I. Filliey, who for many years had been the Missouri representative on the National committee, was defeated in his attempt to gain the ex-secretary of the Missouri representative on the National committee and Richard Kerens was selected.

There was a strong belief early in the day that perhaps the New York delegation could agree on some one who would be satisfactory to both factions, and there was a renewed discussion of Governor Morton and ex-secretary of the Navy Tracey, but when the factions declared war to the hilt, all idea of New York furnishing the tall of the ticket was abandoned.

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Lively Times at the Meeting of the New York Delegation.

THE ATTEMPT TO RETIRE PLATT

Provokes an Internecine Conflict Among Delegates.

OPPOSITION TO "EASY BOSS"

Led by Ex-Senator Warner Miller, who Nominates the Good-Natured Depew for Chairman of the Delegation—The Herkimer Statesman Receives an Awful Roast from the Followers of Platt—Platt All Over with Vituperation and then Painted a Dark-Blued Traitor—Platt Finally Wins the Fight by a Vote of 57 to 13.

ST. LOUIS, June 15.—The meeting of the New York delegation to-day was marked by the attempt to retire Thomas C. Platt, and the surprise was so great that the Platt adherents were forced to take a recess until 3 o'clock this afternoon in order to marshal their forces.

When the delegation was called to order it was understood that Chauncey M. Depew was to be named as chairman of the caucus and that Mr. Platt was to be selected as chairman of the delegation. There was not the shadow of any opposition, but Warner Miller had been in conference all morning with the McKinley managers and with Mr. Matthews, of Buffalo, and when the double proposition was made, he was upon his feet in an instant.

"I move, Mr. Chairman, that the name of Mr. Depew be substituted for that of Mr. Platt," he said.

Surprise was written on all faces and even Mr. Depew seemed taken aback.

"I do this because the most distinguished man on this delegation has been entirely neglected," said Mr. Miller.

There were cries of "no," and a motion was at once made to divide the question. Mr. Depew was then selected as chairman of the caucus by an unanimous vote. The question was put as to the selection of Platt as chairman of the delegation, and then Mr. Miller renewed his motion to substitute Mr. Depew's name.

Mr. Depew sat silent, but Congressman Quigg in opposing the substitution attacked Mr. Miller in a vigorous and almost vicious manner.

Miller Choked Off. Before Mr. Miller could answer Mr. Quigg, Frederick S. Gibbs had obtained recognition and moved that the delegation take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon. In making this motion Gibbs characterized Miller as a "chronic gibber," "washed dirty linen," and "political outcast," and such characterizations.

Mr. Miller was not allowed to respond to these attacks, but a recess was taken until 2 o'clock.

Shortly after 2 o'clock the New York delegation met again and at once Mr. Sutherland made a motion for the adjournment of the press. This was carried and Mr. Depew asked the further pleasure of the meeting. Mr. Lauterbach obtained the floor and criticized the action of Mr. Miller in the morning, and then proceeded to say that while it was conceded that there would be any use in carrying the name of Mr. Depew as chairman of the convention the seating of the anti-Morton delegates, still he thought that the delegation should protest against the seating of those delegates by the national committee. He thought that the delegates should be urged to vote on their questions. General McCook, one of the anti-Morton men, objected and made a heated argument in favor of his own right in the matter.

The statement was noted on the minutes and then Mr. Depew arose and made a brief statement. He said: "I have no desire to occupy any other place in this body or to have any other name except that of presenting the name of Governor Morton. My friend, Mr. Miller, has made a mistake in misconstruing my answer to his remarks to me about being chairman of the meeting. I will not stand for chairman unless my election is unanimous. I for ask Mr. Depew whether he would accept this nomination and he answered yes, and since the meeting this morning he again assured me that he would accept. I stand here to repudiate the name of Miller as chairman of the delegation. I cannot stand under such a banner. I cannot go forward with the world pointing its finger at me and saying: 'How can you vote for a man whose ability you have questioned?' I regret Mr. Chairman, that you will not accept the offer of Mr. Depew to carry the leadership of Platt."

Mr. Thurlow Weed Barnes then standing directly in front of Mr. Miller, talked at him in some of the most violent language that has ever been heard, while the majority of the delegates applauded.

The Herkimer Statesman's Roast. "This man," he said, "was elected to represent the state of New York as preferring the candidacy of Levi P. Morton has turned over to William McKinley. Why? Who is the traitor?"

Cries of "Miller, Miller!" "What is the issue? Why is it Miller against Platt and that alone? The people do not want to follow a traitor's lead."

Miller sat with trembling lip, and General McCook strove to break into the affair by moving to proceed with the vote. Miller tried to get him to not withdraw Mr. Depew's name, but he insisted and named Warner Miller.

"That's the issue, that's it; it's a traitor against a Republican," shouted the delegate Albridge. Then Senator John Baines arose and in scathing terms denounced Miller. He said: "Now the gentleman has placed himself in the position he coveted. Shall we choose a Republican or a kicker? A chronic kicker from Herkimer, a man whose name is never known, who was never faithful to any man or any party? That is the issue. I hurl back in the Herkimer statesman's teeth the statement that Mr. Platt has maligned Mr. McKinley. When election time comes and New York Republicans cast their votes for President, will they vote for Mr. McKinley or will they vote for Mr. Platt's support and the support of New York Republicans, but he can never rely upon the vacillating and treacherous statesman from Herkimer, Warner Miller. His name will go down to ignominy."

The roll call began. When the vote was announced as Platt 53 and Miller 17, there was a burst of applause. Mr. Cornelius Illies offered this resolution: Resolved, That the New York delegates favor and heartily support the strongest statement that can be devised, recognizing the imperative necessity of maintaining the present gold standard of value and condemning the free coinage of silver."

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