#### FOREWARNED IS FOREARMED. Keep Before the People's Eyes the Official

Declaration of Democratic Policy. The Chicago Weekly Dispatch is a democratic silver paper published in Chicago, Ill., and may be considered as the official organ of the democratic silver forces and the exponent of the policy of the silver wing of the democratic party. Such being the case, the

The editorial page of the Dispatch of August 24 contains a very peculiar nomination, in order that our own and significant combination of statements and ideas, which may be justly considered as "pointers," or "straws." The first item that arrests the attention is under the caption, "A Warning," and is as follows:

"Here is a warning to democratic managers. The Boulder (Col.) Tribune, populist, says: 'The democrats of Illinois, Missouri, Mississippi and Texas have now pronounced for free silver at 16 to 1. Those of Iowa failed to make a square indorsement and Kentucky also. At this rate it hardly seems probable that the national convention next year will pronounce for free silver. But no one questions the fact that the populist national convention will be squarely for the white metal.'

"That's to the point," says the Dispatch. "A gold standard platform in 1896 will drive all the democrats to the

national convention declares for the free coinage of silver, at 16 to 1, the voters now aligned in the ranks of the people's party will rally to the banner of democracy and vote the democratic ticket.

In the course of its editorial comments upon the action of the democratic silver conference recently held in Washington, the Dispatch further. elaborates this idea. The closing paragraphs of the editorial in question, read thus:

"The object to be accomplished is worthy a manly, energetic struggle. There is nothing to be concealed. The more of argument and discussion the better. Most of the metropolitan dailies are against us, but the people are already very fully informed of the import of the great issue. It resolves itself into a campaign of the rights of man against the rule of money. Failure will result in slavery. The battle must be won. Every inch of ground of the Mercantile national bank, is must be keenly contested. Defeat at the primaries will be disaster in the state and national conventions and ruin to the masses. There is no time to be lost. The fight is now on.

"It is the hope of the Dispatch that populists everywhere will join this movement, which is none the less important to them because within the emocratic party. It is a battle on heir ground to a great extent, and their duty is plain. It will require the help of all the friends of the people's money, whether they be in the republican, populist or democratic party, to win the fight. The call to duty implies the enlistment under the democratic banner, it is true, but it is the old, historic democratic flag that has been raised, not the banner of monopoly and the rule of property that the Whitneys and the Carlisles and the Hoke Smiths and the goldites are marching under. It is the flag of Jefterson and Jackson and Tilden, and its folds are broad enough to cover every friend of the people.

"The call to duty is to every loyal citizen of the republic who desires the restoration of popular rights, the overthrow of class rule, the defeat of plutocracy, and the supremacy of the masses. In this supreme battle man's duty to man should stand even higher than party allegiance. The cause of the people demands the united action of all who love patriotism more than spoils, man more than property."

The reference to Tilden is rather unfortunate, as populists generally, and old greenbackers specially, have very little love, or veneration for Tilden's financial tenets. But let that Now let us inquire just what resolu-

tions were adopted by the democratic is neither here nor even in sight. national silver conference. Here they

Resolved, That the democratic party in national convention assembled should demand the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold into primary or redemption money at the ratio of 16 to 1 without waiting for the action or approval of any other nation.

Resolved, That it should declare its irrevo-cable opposition to the substitution for a metallic money of a panic-breeding corporation bredit currency, based on a single metal, the supply of which is so limited that it can be cornered at any time by a few banking institutions in Europe and America.

Resolved. That it should declare its opposition to the policy and practice of surren to the holders of obligations of the United States the option reserved by the law of the government redeeming such obligations in either silver coin or gold coin.

Resolved. That it should declare its opposi-tion to the issuing of interest-bearing bonds of the United States in time of peace and espe-cially to placing the treasury of the government under the control of any syndicate of bankers and the issuance of bonds to be sold by them at an enormous profit for the purpose of supply-ing the federal treasury with gold to maintain

Note the fact that there is not one word said about government paper money, or its issue, or any demand for any such money, or for the sole issue of such money by the government. They are a reproduction, word for word, of those adopted by the democratic silver conventions of Missouri, Mississippi and Texas, and also those adopted by the democratic convention recently held in Nebraska. This is a significant fact, worthy of consideration.

In the first column of the editorial page of the issue in question of the Dispatch, under the bold caption "Good Suggestions," appears this item:

"Ex-Senator Butler, of South Carolina, had an interview the other day to stay." with Senators Harris and Jones, members of the executive committee appointed by the recent democratic silver conference, and suggested the following propositions to be advocated by the silver democrats:

"1. Repeal of the tax on state circu-

"2. Admit silver to coinage at an equality with gold at the rate of 16

"3. Retire all greenbacks and coin certificates

"4. Require national banks to surrender their charters and permit them to take out state charters under na-

tional supervision. "5. Take the government entirely

out of the banking business. "6. Stop the issuance of long-time bonds by the government. The reveutterances of the Dispatch are entitled nues should be enough to support the to serious consideration. issue bonds they should be of small depeople can invest their savings in

"To the above he should have added government control of the quasi-public service and government supervision of life insurance."

Now what do these suggestions embody? Free coinage of gold and silver at 16 to 1. The retirement and destruction of all legal tender government paper money, including gold and silver certificates. A return to the old system of state banks and the grant to such state banks of the sole right and prerogative of issuing the paper notes which are to constitute the people's sole medium of exchange.

What conclusions may now be drawn? Simply these: The democratic silver movements which have taken place in the several states originated with the people, and are of the people, populist flag. A silver-restoration platform will bring the populists to democratic national demonstration, democratic national demonstration, Here, then, is a plain and unequiv-ocal declaration that, if the democratic behalf of silver, has behind it, as its prime origin and its moving spirit, none other than Wall street and the money power of the United enactments. States, who hope to use the silver sentiment, through the democratic party, to accomplish their cherished end, aim and object; to-wit: The retirement and destruction of all government legal tender paper money, and the sole con-trol of the issue and regulation of the volume of the paper money of the nation through a system of state banks of is-

Brethren! the enemy of humanity has shown the cloven hoof-let us be-GEORGE C. WARD.

#### THOSE GOOD TIMES.

A New York Banker Says They Are Mostly Apparent and Not Real.

William P. St. John is one of the few presidents of a New York national bank who favor the free coinage of silver. Mr. St. John, who is president not only a conservative business man, but a thinker and student of finance. Here is what Mr. St. John had to say on the currency question the other

"To my thinking the alleged era of prosperity is not in sight. We have had, and are still having, recoveries from extreme depression, with some advances in wages from figures that were below a living scale. But signs of exhausted recuperation appear al-ready with a decided lull in at least three important branches of our manufacturing industries. Cheap talk of higher prices for iron mention also s and proposed combinations among iron men, which are usually in restraint of trade, rather than harbingers of widening prosperity. The great staples of wheat and cotton, having been depressed beyond reason and rebounding naturally, have been advanced speculatively to prices equally unreasonable, but at the time when the farmer and planters are not bene-

"Both of these staples are now threatened with a new demoralization in market, with consequently poor returns to the producers for the incoming crops. The present money market in New York— per cent. per annum for five months' strictly prime commercial paper-is not the prognostication of an era of prosperity. On the contrary, it is the seal upon the proof of a new sacrifice of the little prosperity that appears. It betokens a lack of profit to borrowers in any use of money, and presages such prices as discourage buyers of merchandise for a future market. Therefore, the silver lining is wanting from the cloud, and

"As grounds for my impression that the reopening of our mints to silver is essential to an era of even moderate but continuing prosperity, I remark as follows: The prices that are governed by the volume of current money are normal prices. Scarcity on the one hand or superabundance on the other hand of any commodity relative to the demand for it will yield abnormal prices for that commodity. Scarcity, abnormally high price; superabundance, abnormally low price. Which is to say that price means money. What is its price means how much money for it. Hence a normal quantity of any commodity relative to the demand for it will afford a high price or a low price for that commodity, according to the searcity or abundance of money. Our normal price of wheat -the price upon which as a fulcrum our scale of prices for wheat swings up or down-is set absolutely by the volume of our current money. Therefore, if we enlarge the volume of money, as by a reopening of our mints to silver, we shall raise the normal price of all commodities.

"Hence we are conspicuously a nation of producers, our national prosperity is favored by enlarging the volume of money so as to increase the prices of what we produce. To reopen our mints to silver is thus to put a premium on production rather than upon consumption, and to bestow upon the producer a liberal share of the wealth for which our consumers are thus debtors. When such is done we may see an era of prosperity that has come

-The industrious and frugal man should own a nice home; have money in bank or invested in business, and an income from his labor sufficient to keep himself and family in more or less luxury, and leave an annual sinking fund to provide for old age. When this is the case with the masses, justice will be done. Until it is so, register your kick against the powers that be.—Missouri World.

WOMEN TO THE RESCUE.

Women Organize the National Progressive Political League and Enter into Po A new organization has been formed, the purpose of which is to advance through a system of educational methods, and all other possible means of propaganda, the economic issues of the people's party.

The influence of women in politics is becoming a powerful factor; already three states have extended suffrage to women, and ere long full right to citizenship will be acknowledged.

With this accession of power, there must also be accession of knowledge. New issues growing out of new conditions confront the nation. The political battles that are from this time out to be fought, involve great moral principles that will determine for all time

the fate of the republic. Briefly stated, the vital question underlying political conflict is: "Shall the United States lapse into an oligarchy, with its ruling and ruled classes, or expand into a great co-operative commonwealth, that will insure to every citizen an opportunity to labor, and secure those things that are essential to life, liberty and happiness? Shall democracy or aristocracy prevail?"

The rule of wealth already dominates politics and our once free institutions. Monopoly is strangling liberty.

The republican and democratic parties are the instruments of monopoly, and the channels through which plutocracy operates to control the executive, legislative and judiciary functions of government, and thus enslave the people through constitutional

The people's party is the growing power that has entered the list to vindicate the rights of the people, oppose the depotism of capital, and establish civil, political and industrial independence; and while not expressing in platform and declarations all that is essential to the establishment of a juster system, it does register that consensus of conviction relating to moral and economic questions, which is essential for practical unity of ac-

The people's party maintains the sovereignty of the people, and the sacredness of democratic institutions.

It declares that in a republic government is the expression of the will of the people; that the exigencies of the times demand that the functions of the government or the powers of the people should be enlarged; that the mone, of t country should be issued only by the national government; that silver should be restored to an equal parity with gold.

That the railroads should be owned and operated by the national, state and municipal governments; that all chartered monopolies that now infringe upon the rights of the people should be administered by the government in the interests of the people.

Therefore, the chief aim of the 'Woman's National Progressive Political league" is to upbuild and strengthen the people's party. Its members are pledged to make the justice of the people's demands better understood, and to advance the interests of the cause in every honorable way, that they may win support for the party,

and help to carry it forward to victory. We appeal, therefore, to the women of the country to throw their influence on the side of liberty, truth and justice; to aid in the building up of such a powerful organization as will lift this struggling movement of the people to the pinnacle of a mighty victory.

We declare that the time has come when women must assume the responsibilities of citizenship; that although lenied the ballot, they must espouse the cause of humanity, which is the cause of God, and work through political channels for the final triumph of liberty, the establishment of pure democracy, and the ushering in of a new and higher order of civilization.

Signed by Annie S. Diggs, Washington; Imogene C. Fales, Bensonhurst, N. Y; Harriet Loring, M. D., Springfield, Mass.; Mrs. Thaddeus B. Wakeman, New York; Mrs. Helen Campbell, Madison, Wis.; Mrs. Edward Bellamy; Mary P. Irving, editor of The Way, Spring-

Address all communications to Imogene C. Fales, secretary, Bensonhurst,

Metal Money Not Wanted.

If the populists acquiesce in free silver coinage alone as the paramount question, they will only weave another strand into the cable that binds us to the money oligarchy. We must cut the Gordian knot of the money power, by ridding ourselves of metalic money altogether. This is the one absorbing, underlying, overmastering question that challenges our undivided attention. Gold and silver money has always been the weapon in the hands of plutocracy to oppress the producers of wealth, and always will be, until we banish gold and silver forever as money, by standing firmly upon the Omaha platform with both feet. Yours for the populist money plank, not the democrat free silver slab.-R. B. Irwin, in Nonconformist.

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-The Brewers' Journal is authority for the statement that British syndicates hold \$91,000,000 of stock in American breweries and that the dividends were 9 per cent., amounting to \$8,190,-000, which was paid in gold. The annual product of gold in the United States is estimated at less than \$40,-000,000 by the director of the mint. How can this country maintain the such conditions?—National Advance.

-The panic scared much of the money in circulation into hiding places This money is most likely coming back into circulation now, and hence we may see in the face of a contraction of the money volume an improvement in the times. But the best year of Cleveland's second term will not be as good as the poorest year of Harrison's term. and certainly Harrison's best year was bad enough. People who have been destitute are apt to be satisfied with thin soup. -Missouri World.

-Our free silver democratic friends who want free silver only when they can get it through the democratic party, are doing more against this reform than all of the gold-bug advocates. By a liberal use of the party lash they are to a great extent preventing a consolidation of the free silver element all over the United States. The only question awaiting a decision is whether or not the party lash or patriotism is the uppermost in the

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"I did not favor free coinage by the United States alone four years ago, nor do I now, although I am an international bimetallist. What I said four years ago was that I would take the chances of election upon the platform as I found it. JAMES E. CAMPBELL."

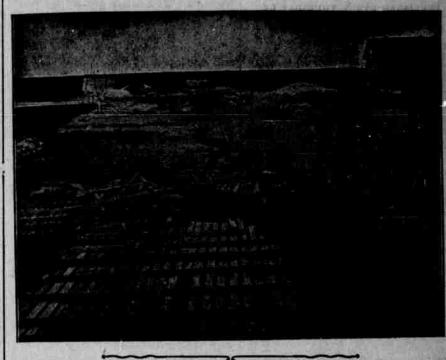
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