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What the Populist Governor of Colorado Said at Chicago

"THE ORIME OF '73" DENOUNCED.

The Old Parties Are Traitors to Their Platforms-Effects of Contraction-No Compromise.

Cotton. Wheat and Sliver.

That Governor Walte of Colorado has reports of his speech in Denver some three weeks ago has been asserted by those acquainted with the methods of correct is shown by the reports in the should rule and will rule. Chicago Inter Ocean of a speech made Wednesday. The Inter Ocean is a strong sire it, it should be the law. partisan paper and can be relied upon not to fgive the governor undue credit. The speech is too long to print entire in THE UNIONIST, but we give a few choice extracts:

was secret and fraudulent; accomplished same conditions. oy omitting the silver dollar from the list of silver ceins and sneaking the bill through the house and senate without die the knowledge of the president or of the speaker of the house, or of the great majorky of the members of congress. That act demonetized silver. But the present movement of Wall street to destroy silver entirely, except as a subsidiary coin, is open and aggressive, and, if successful, will be celebrated in Chicago with the blare of trumpets and roar of cannous. The late national platforms of the republican and democratic parties had planks in favor of bimetallism. But both parties now agree in the repeal of the Sherman act, which practically means the single gold standard. By the patronage of the president and the usual corrupt methods of Wall street, the money power has then, for they would only be carrying into effect the laws approved by all the both houses of congress.

There could be no heart-burnings be-

"Abraham Lincoln said: 'If a debt is created with a certain amount of money in circulation, and then the government contracts the money volume before the debt is paid, it is the most heinous crime divide the people. None of them can or which a government can commit against in circulation, and then the government which a government can commit against the people.' And that is just precisely what this [government has been doing this whenever the majority so decide. since 1878. Congressional legislation, and nothing else, has reduced the price for which the two old parties are equally responsible, has reduced the price of wheat from \$1.41 per bushel in 1878 to men, socialists, protectionists, free trad-1893.

"I could prove from official statistics that the loss to the [agricultural states from the scarcity of money in good part occasioned by the refusal of the free coinage of silver in each state in the great Mississippi valley is from ten to twenty times the loss sustained by Celorade. As a striking evidence of the truth of this statement, and of the immense amount of money, out of which the people have been buncoed by the war upon silver and the contraction of currency, is the fact that when the late civil war closed our national debt was \$2,700,000,000. We have since paid of the principal of that debt about \$2,000,-000,000, and on interest and premiums over \$6,000,000,000, and yet it is absolutely true in this panics which the two old parties have brought upon us, that it would cost the American people today as many bushels of wheat or corn, or as many pounds of cotton, or of beef, or pork to pay the present balance upon our national debt as in 1886 at the theu prices of those products would have paid the entire debt.

"Who has gobbled up this vast amount of \$8,000,000 in the past twenty-seven years from the taxpayers and producing the settlement of differences between emclasses of the United, States? And yet the principal of the debt is practically undiminished. It is the bondholder, the bankers and usurers (of Wall and Lombard streets, that creditor class to whose interest all the legislation of the past thirty years has been devoted.

"Who is Grever Cleveland? and who is "Who is Grever Cleveland? and who is each one of them from the manager down to the smallest apprentice, gets his share supporters in Wall street and in Chicago? of the profits. This averages 8 per cent of the human race. To increasing multi-that they dare assume to drive into povon the wages per annum ever since we tudes a rayless and wretched life of incesthat they dare assume to drive into poverty and exile a half million of American freemen? In the late civil war, there was no time after the war commenced that both the north and the south would not have gladly compromised upon the surrender of the rights of the black man. But there is a just God who presides over the destinles of nations and he prevented such iniquity. And now, when is involved not the freedom of 4, 000,000 black men only, but the liberty of 64,000,000, tlack and white, the same God of mercy and justice will overrule evil for good, and no banker, usurer, or many delions saved to the men who work. peddling politician be able to compromise this tremendous Issue."

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Let the platform read something like

mitted to the people who are to be gov-erned by them for approval or rejecti n, and that on petition of a certain percent age of the voters they may propose a law and the legislature must submit it to the people at the next election

On that all parties can unite. If the by a packed committee. If a majority of

in that city at the silver convention last embodied into a law, and a majority de-

If the single tax people want a trial of their theory and can muster the requisite petition, they can have it submitted to the people.

"The demonstization of silver in 1873 forth in any law, they can do so on the

If the prohibitionists desire their theory, they can get an opinion on the merits of their case unbiased by party preju

If a majority of the people desire the public ownership of telegraphs, they can not be raied out of court without a

hearing.

If the people want a paper money, the people can decide it for themselves, and a gold bug lobby will be powerless to

No man who believes in a republican form of government, one of, by and for the people, can offer any valid objection. To oppose it will be to deay the right of the people to rule, and the party that dares to take that position will be snowed

The people could veto the thousand steals that are lobbie i through congress, legislatures and town councils. It would make no difference to the people whether the officers were democrats or republicans

cause a minority, or a majority, could get no hearing. It will take all questions out of politics and place them before the people on their merits. There is no use ity of the country decree it, and with "direct legislation" they can accomplish Under present methods a minority can suppress a majority often.

Let us lay saide all other questions, so

of silver bullion from \$1.32 per ounce in | far as platforms are concerned, and con-1873 to 70 cents in 1898, and legislation centrate all efforts on making the laws direct, without the intervention of poli-ticians and lobbles.

58 cents in 1893. The same legislation has ers, democrats and republicans can see in reduced the price of cotton from 19 8-10 this an equal freedon, and majority rule, and dare not fight it without putting themselves outside the pale of republican Institutions.

What says the press ?- The Coming Nation.

Profit Sharing.

Readers who have kept a close watch upon industrial matters during the past five years know something about the Neslon manufacturing company of St. Louis and Edwardsville, Ill. Newspaper writers have fallen into the error of speaking of the plan adopted by the Nelson as co-operation. It is not co-operation in the sense that the term is used by economists, for workers do not stand upon an equality in the direction of affairs, and capital employed is not owned jointly by the workers. The Nelson manufacturing company is the property of a few stockholders and the laborers are simply employes working for stipulated

However, from all reports the company is exceedingly fair in the treatment of its employes, and the profit sharing system under which it operates is of great benefit to the workmen as well as to the stockholders. In a recent interview N.O. Nelson, who is president of the company, said that during a visit England apout seven years

ago he became imbued with the idea that ployer and employe lay in the direction of profit sharing. On his return to St. Louis he arranged to have his theories carried into practice.

"At our works near Edwardsville, Ill.," he said, "there are about 450 men employed, and at the end of every quarter

put the system into force. "Littaine is in every respect a model village. We bought 125 acros of ground, erected substantial buildings for our factories and laid off the town not with square blocks, but on the park idea with winding roads and grassy lawns. In our village we have a co-operative store where the men and their families trade. They pay the current retail prices for Heaties this we have a hall where school and church are hold and a free kinder-garten is maintained during a veral months of the year. We have free baths. The St. Charles hotel at the foot of electric lights, modern water works and a

the men, and some of the best lecturers of this country are engaged. Last winter we had Edward Everret Hale and men of his class.

To employes who desire homes we sell them one third of an acre of ground \$2 a front toot and erect a cottage for them at cost. This is all said for in installments, the sum not amounting to more each mouth than the rent of a cat-

co ony and the only one of its kind this a single plank that no man, no matter side of the Atlantic. It mak-s, I think, a what his party, who believes in a rule by sup-rior class of workingmen and it encourages men to apply themselves was shown when we reduced the working ho irs from 10 to 9 hours without a reduction of wages and without any de-We demand that all laws shall be sub- crease in the amount of material turned

What Is a Dollar.

Such servile tools of the money changers as the Omaha World-Hrrald are prating about the dishonesty of wantbeen maligned and misrepresented in the silver men want that metal remonetized, ing to coin silver dollars on the ratio of the proper petition will torce congress to 16 to 1. They cry "Give us a dollar with submit it, and it cannot be juggled with 100 cents' worth of gold in it and another that has 100 cents' worth of silver in it." the Associated press, and that they were the people want free coinage, a majority This would be an easy matter if we could only determine what is a dollar. If the protectionists want their views The only logical way we can see to settle what a dollar really is would be to take some article that is essential to human existen e and fix the standard upon it. Let the power that coins money say: "So much of this article shall be a dollar's worth." Then all commodities, If the socialists desire their theory put gold and silver included, will find their level, and it will be easy to tell what is a dollar's worth of each. Then, when the proper ratio is found, if it is desirable to coin them into money, it will not be difficult to decide what shall be the proper size of each. Even then it would be manifestly unfair to say that these metals and they only would be used for money purposes, because when enough money had been coined to make it possible to do the business of the country the metal would be so scarce that the price of it as a commodity would be O St raised to a point much beyond where it was when coinage was begun.

The object of these papers in demanding a dollar as large as a stove lid is not an honest one and it is useless to waste logic upon them.

The Unionist pointed out before that made the exclusive money metal and then insist that a metal debased in price by the process that enhanced gold should be comed at the commodity price put O St. upon it by the tricksters.

Silver is now worth about 73 cents per Silver is now worth about 73 cents per ounce of 480 grains on a gold quotation, or, in other words, the equivalent of 24 grains of gold is 603 grains of silver, or a little over 25 to 1. Gold enjoys a full and almost exclusive money value; silver is limited in that respect. Does any one suppose that if silver was given coequal power as a money metal with gold that the price of either metal would remain as now? The price of silver as a commodity would inevitably rise and what is now a dollar's worth of silver would be now a dollar's worth of silver w worth considerably more than a dollar. Therefore it would be unjust to coin the two metals at this ratio.

But it is not the object of the World-Herald and other birds of evil to secure the coinage of silver dollars on this basis, or any other basis. The object is to di-vide the people on the basis in order that O St. they can be the more easily defeated; or, failing in that, they will take the stovelid dollar as the lesser of two evils—to them. They figure that a dollar of the size they advocate will be too cumbersome to enter largely into business trans-actions and would be eventually pushed aside by gold.

They are not talking for the interest of America, but for that of the moneyed va-grants of Europe,—Weekly Unionist,

Labor Congress.

President Compers of the American Federation of Labor has made arrangements with the Chicago Trade and Labor Assembly for a grand Labor parade to be held there on Labor Day in September. Representative labor men and delegates from all parts of the world will take part, and an immease demonstration is ex-

The parade has been arranged as a fitting conclusion of the Werld's Labor Congress, which will be held in Chicago from August 28 to September 4. At that congress will be assembled all the well known labor leaders of every land.

A large number of important papers will be read, including "Liberalism of the Labor Movement," by Prof. Richard T. Elv, of Wisconsin; "Philosophy of the Labor Movement" by M. Van Tillet of London; "Federation of Labor," by Samuel Gompers of New York; "Knights of Labor," by T. V. Powderly of Pennsylvania.

The progress of the labor movement in 1893, statistics of labor in regard to women, condition of labor, and other important matters, will be discussed.

Ex-Senator John J. Ingalls writes in the Salt Lake Tribune: "Starvation or dependence upon the will of an employer is the hard and repulsive alternative presented to a large, if not the greater, part tudes a rayless and wretched life of inces sant toll and squallid Ignorance and degradation ends in a promature old age, of mendicancy and a paoper's anonymous grave. The prophecy of De Toqueyille is being verified and the tendency of democracy is toward permanent social inequalities, which must be resisted and eradicated if representative self-govern-ment is to survive."

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