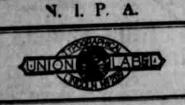
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sople's Independent State Conven-

The people's independent electors of the state of Nebrasks are requested to elect and send delegates from their several counties to meet in convention at the city of Lincoln. Tuesday, September 5, 1895, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating the following state officers, viz: Candidate for judge of the state spreme court, three regents of the state stressity, and transact such other business

as may come before the convention.

The basis of representation will be one delegate for every one hundred votes or major fraction thereof cast in 1892 for the people's independent candidate for governor and two delegates at large from each county, which gives the following votes by counties:

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Total We would recommend that no proxies be allowed, but that the delegates present cast the full vote to which the county is entitled.
C. H. Pietle, Geo. W. Blake,
Secretary. Chairman.
State papers please copy.

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Lancaster County Convention.

The people's party convention of Lancaster ounty will be held in the tent at the corner Tenth and M streets, on Friday, August 25, 1893, at \$ p, m , for the purpose of placing in tion candidates for the following es: Tressurer, sheriff, register of deeds, judge, clerk, superintendent, coroner, comper for district No. - and one sanitary trustee: also to elect thirty-five delegates to represent Lancaster county in the people's in-dependent state convention, and to transact any other business that may properly come before

Each ward and precinct will be entitled to one delegate for every 15 votes or fraction thereof polled for General Van Wyck at the

First ward	12 Mill precinct
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Third ward	17 North Bluff precinct
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Fifth ward	15 Olive Branch prec't 12 Panama precinct
Sixth ward	13 Rock Creek precinct
Seventh ward	3 Saltillo precinct
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Denton precinct	4 Stevens Creek prec't
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Garneld precinct	4 West Oak
Highland precinct	5 Yankee Hill prec't
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Middle Creek prec't	

n Wednesday, August 23, between the hours
12 m, and 9 p. m. It is also recommended
that no proxies be admitted to the convenon. M. Hows, Chairman. W. W. KERLIN, Secretary. Lincoln, Neb. August 10, 1823

Don'T fall to attend the primaries.

PRESERVE the purity of your party by attending your primaries.

THE Record is a new reform paper just started at Weston, Saunders county.

THERE are no "off years" for populists. They are in a fight for principles, and that kind of a fight is "on" all the

still very young, some of its members already have more partisership than man and a patriot, and well deserves

MRS. MARION TODD has written a new book on 'The Railways of Europe and America." She advocates government ownership.

suffer together.

able to go to the seashore for a time. | as one of the greatest and wisest men of quitting the newspaper business.

BRAVE WORDS.

A few times in the history of this country has an honest man stood up on a great occasion and launched forth words that thrilled the nation farmers Alliances Sebraska Independent One of these great occasions was the opening of the great debate on silver in congress last Thursday. The man who THE ALLIANCE PUBLISHING Co. rose to the occasion was Richard P. Bland of Missouri.

> For sixteen years this man has fought with untiring energy and quenchless teal to restore the coinsge of the constitution as established by our forefathers, During all those years he has fought as democrat, as a leader of the party he loved. During all that time has he belleved that his party was the friend of silver and of the people. During all those weary years of battling has he looked forward to the day when his party might have its chance to wipe out the "crime of "73." At last he finds his party in control of every branch of the government. But alas for his hopes, he finds the man whom his party has placed in the president's chair striking a bolder and more deadly blow to the white metal than any republican ever dared to strike. He finds the chief executive repudiating the platform on which he was elected, trying to bribe and brow-best members of congress into betraying their constituents, and openly in league with the money power of the world in its efforts to enslave mankind. He saw men who fought by his side yielding to the persussive voices of sophistry, flattery, ambition and gold, and surrendering to the enemies of their country. Then he turned and looked at the outraged and long-suffering producers of the nation. He saw the people who have made the nation great struggling with poverty and face

to face with ruin. Richard P. Bland saw all these things. He saw that the parting of the ways had been reached, that the hour had come when patriots must choose between loyalty to party and loyalty to the common people. It was a great occasion, and he was great enough for the occasion.

He arose and launched forth words aden with a mighty portent, and whitehot with feeling. The following is the of his speech:

"We are asked here today to lay the bloody hand of confiscation on millions of our population in order to satisfy the greed of England. Will congress do it? Will you trample down the interests of your own people and destroy the value of one of the precious metals simply to gratify the greed of Wall street—a mere agent of Lombard street? It cannot—it shall not be done. [Applause.]
"Speaking for the masses of the peo-

it. (Renewed applause.) And anybody and any party that undertakes to do it will, in God's name, be trampled—as it ought to be—in the dust of condemnaapplause on the floor and in the galleries.) I speak as a democrat, but yet as an American above Democracy. (Cheers.) We do not fintend that any party shall survive, if we can help it, that will lay its confiscating hand on America in the interest of England or of Europe. That may be strong lan-guage; but, speaking to you of the eastern democracy, we will bid you farewell when you do it. (Applause.)

"Now you can take your choice of sustaining America against England, of sustaining American industries and American laborers against English in-dustries and English laborers, or of go-ing apart. We have come to the part-ing way. I do not pretend to speak for anybody but myself and my constitu-ents; but I believe that I can speak for the masses of the great Mississippi val ley when I say that we will not submit to the domination of any political party. however much we love democracy, if it lays its sacrificial hand upon silver and has not been profitable heretofore, and elsewhere, but will denounce it as undemecratic and un-American. And the democrats in it will be condemned by thet-as the representatives of the money power and money interests in-stead of representatives of the Ameri-can people. You cannot hold the demeratic party together on that line."

(Applause.) Braver, nobler words were never poken in a legislative hall. All honor to Richard P. Bland. Liberty can never die while such men live to fight her battles. May his words sink deep into the hearts of every patriotic citizev. May his example inspire millions to emancipate themselves from thralldom to party. May the fire of his rightcoos indignation kindle a blaze that will burn till the whole nation is affame with patriotic zeal. Then will the halis of congress be filled, not with sgents of the money power, but with honest representatives of the plain people.

ALTHOUGH the independent party is THE GRAND OLD ROMAN SPEAKS. Allen G. Thurman of Ohio is a statesthe title, "The grandest old Roman of them all." In an an interview in the New York World a few days ago be as bad and even worse in Australia, Journal is a carbuncle on the body of THE populists today can say: "We England and several European coun- Nebrusks journalism We are not surtold you so." But there is very little tries where they have no Sherman law prised that its editor should want to estisfaction in that since we all have to to blame. He further says it is ridicu- retire an honest man from the profes. They seem to think Thurman's opinion less to think of curing the evil of con- sion, but we can't oblige him. We on the silver question is worth more traction by cutting off a part of the would have paid no attention to this than Cleveland's. IT will be a source of sincere pleasure money we already have. Thurman's report had it not been that the reto a host of General Van Wyck's friends counton is of a hundred times more porters for our state dailies gave it to know that he is slowly regaining his value than Cieveland's. In the United currency. We wish to say that the re-funds to throw at the birds this year.

of his party. It was his son, Alien W. THE SITUATION AT WASHINGTON Thurman who presided over the binetallic convention in Chicago,

CLEVELAND'S CLUB. said in effect that he would use every attitude of congressmen. The Post power vested in him to prevent any states that the alleged polls of congress interference with the schemes of Wall on the repeal question are of no value. street. This was construed by many and declares that the Sherman law can The Manufacturers' Record publishes to mean that he would use federal pat- not be unconditionally repealed. The ronage as a club to best congressmen silver forces are stronger than they into line with his gold standard policy. have been represented, they are in There can be no doubt that he is doing dead carnest, and they will defy and this. The following dispatch from defeat the president Washington appeared in the World-

Herald August 12: There are to be no more presidential appointments until after the repeal of the Sherman law. The president does not appear to have laid this rule down

in so many words, but it is a logical de-duction from his action.

Members of congress who have called upon him with reference to changes in their local offices say that they have met with a very chilling reception. The president in a private conversa-tion before the meeting of congress several times expressed his disgust that members of the two houses came to him to talk of nothing but patronage when the fate of the nation was hangwhen the fate of the nation was hanging in the balance. He has felt for a long time that the repeal of the purchase law was the supreme necessity of the hour, and that party politics should be thrust into the background to promote the union of all patriotic men in favor of reforming the currency.

The president is quite willing that members who desire recognition in the way of appointments shall be kept in suspense until they have voted on the Sherman law. But he looks upon the matter from the higher point of view

matter from the higher point of view that they should perform their duty to the country before they expect the president to perform a duty or a favor for them and their constituents.

The following from the Bee's special correspondence of August 13, shows the same thing in a stronger light:

President Cleveland is confident that he can and will get a bill into a law he can and will get a bill is a law unconditionally repealing the silver purchase act. It can be stated on high authority that just before leaving Washington for Buzzards Bay the president said the repeal bill would pass the senate; that he had already overcome such impossibilities, and he would pevail in this instance. The president has directed that all appointments be deferred until he sees who in the democratic ranks of the senate stand by him in this great struggle. by him in this great struggle.

press report of the most thrilling part In o her words, the president of the United States, after repudiating the platform on which he was elected, now proposes to bribe congressmen with federal patronage into betraying their constituents, and surrendering to Wall street. A magnificent spectacle for free-born American patriots to witness, ian't it?

The congressman who can be bought "Speaking for the masses of the people of the Mississ ppi valley and the people west of it. I say you shall not do it. (Renewed applause.) And anybody up in this way ought to be adorned with a hempen necktie when he returns

COUNTY POLITICS.

is likely to prove a blessing. Over- line from Lowell: confidence before convention day is not a good thing. It usually leads to a most accursed." scramble for nominations, and a partisan intolerance that injures rather than helps chances of success at the polls.

The republicans are over-confident as usual, and the result will be that the old ring will control their convention and nominate a ring ticket. This will give the independents the opportuni y they want.

The project of tying up with the democrats seems to be very much in disfavor this year as it ought to be. It wounds it in this country. For myself, it will not be this year if it should by I will not support such a party, here or done.

There is, however, a disposition on the part of a good many to the people of the country as the agents defer nominations till after the and tools—no, I will withdraw that epirepublicans have named their ticket. They propose that the convention of the 25th elect delegates to the state convention and then adjourn to a later date. By this means it is thought that all elements which are tired of ring rule can be united in the support of one ticket. This proposition is worthy of careful consideration.

advantage to the party. If the inde- Thursday. pendents make wise choice of candidates, putting up only men who have the respect and confidence of the people, can elect part and perhaps all their can- supplies. didates.

Sherman law. He says there are panies tries to teach school. The aforesaid marks. bealth. In a short time he hopes to be States senate he was always recognised port is false. Thornton has no notion Neither the banks nor the railrords are

The Washington Post, a strong antisilver paper, on August 12 publisted an article on "the true situation" in which it says that the eastern papers are mis-Cleveland in his inaugural last spring leading their readers regarding the

On August 13th the Post continuing on the same line says:

Yesterday morning the Post uttered a note of warning to the country. It was scarce and sadly needed. There has been nonsense and romance enough.

Great metropolitan journals had been misleading their readers through the medium of alleged polls of congress.

It would be well to have a pillory for newspapers that recalessly mislead the public, and douotless, in some midway laisance of the future, there will be a booth in which the talented news-gatherers and poll-takers of last week can be exhibited to a gaping world. For the present, however, it seems to be of the first importance to clear away the rubbish in which men's minds have been

The silver men are not fools and traitors and conspirators. They do not belong to an inferior order of virtue and intelligence. They are not here to be disciplined by concelted doctrinaries and snubbed by flabby mugwumps. They are entitled to their opinions. They represent constituents who honor and respect them. They are American citizens, devoted to the nation's welfare, and they must be met as such by those who propose to help or be helped by them in solving the problem of the

day. The Sherman act will not be unconditionally repealed by the fifty-third congress. If unconditional repeal be Mr. Cleveland's ultimatum, and if the anti-silver men be resolutely wedded to his will, then congress might as well adjourn tomorrow and leave the country to its fate.

How no the members of the railway employes' associations like the policy of "retrenchment" inaugurated by the western roads? The bosses told them last fall the only way to protect their interests was to vote for corporation candidates. They did it. Now thou- GOVERNMENT BANKS. sands of them are enjoying a lay off, and the balance are treated to a heavy cut in wages. The machine seems to have slipped a cog somewhere. Perhaps these misguided fellows will learn after awhile who are their friends.

THE Rocky Mountain News of striking in its boldness, and quite part of his answer: proper to the occasion. Columbia was The independents of Lancaster county represented as hanging a picture of have a better show for success this fall Grover Cieveland on her wall at the than ever before. It is true they are end of a row containing Benedict not quite so confident as they have Arnold, Asron Burr and John Sherbeen on some former occasions, but this man. Underneath was the following

"The traitor to humanity, the traitor

If the Alliance Tribune, of O'Nelli. Host county, Nebraska, keeps on at the present rate the people will soon be able to classify it where it belongs. Two weeks ago it expressed its admira tion for W. C. Holden. Last week it puff. Nearly all populists believe these and tried men; (2) select men who will two men to be traitors and boodlers. It is only necessary to add that "like attracts like."

16 to 1, first, last and all the time. We hope this is correct. Let the silver states "hedge" if they want to. They are interested chiefly in the price of silver bullion. All other classes of producers are interested in a cheaper dollar, and will get little or no benefit from coinage at an increased ratio.

THE Rocky Mountain News of last Sunday has a fine cartoon representing But the most important thing for the Burke Cochran, the great Tammany independents to do just now is to look chief and leader of the anti-silve-ites over the field and select their best and in the house, as Goliath. and Lafe most available timber. It seems from Pence, the young populist champion of the dearth of candidates that the office Colorado, as David. The young man will be allowed to seek the man in most carned this compliment in his "maiden cases, and this is another element of speech" on the floor of the house last

THE populists in every county in Neif they then set to work in good earn- to capture the county offices. In poliest to perfect their organization and ties, as in war, it is always good tactics make an aggressive campaign, they to cut the enemy off from his base of

THE New Nation says: "The people's THE Kearney Journal has undertaken party is not a one-idea party. It does to retire the editor of THE ALLIANCE det carry all its eggs in one basket. It says it is ridiculous to attribute the INDEPENDENT from the ranks of jour- does not march in single file." Popupresent panic and hard times to the nalism and send him into the rural dis- lists generally say amen to such re-

> THE Ohio democrats nominated a radical free coluage man for governor.

THE old parties won't have campaign in shape to shell out very liberally.

BANK FAILURES

The following press dispatch doesn't seem t - have found its way into many wes ern papers. We clip it from one of our reform exchanges:

BALTIMORE, Md., July 28 .- A summary of the bank failures in the United States from May 1 to July 22 inclusive, shows that 301 banking institutions with a capital of \$38,951,033, suspended. complete list of the closed banks by states, and a table which shows five-sixths of the capital involved was in the western and Pacific states, while only ten per cent. of the failures and eleven per cent. of the capital in-volved were in the south. The number of failures in southern states was thirty-seven, involving \$4,302,100. In western and Pacific states the number was 251, involving \$21,258,923, an 1 in the eastern and northern thirteen, with \$2 600,000 capital. That is the record of less than three

months, and it is doubtless incomplete. That is a bare record of cold facts and figures from the bankers' side of the question. Nothing is said of the deposits in those banks. Nothing is said of the wage-earners, the farmers and morchan's whose hard earned money has been swept away. Nothing is said of the days, months and years of toil enveloped and to convince them that neither Mr. Cleveland's supposed divinity nor the impudent fabrications of the New York newspapers in question can be relied upon to work a miracle in this year of our Lord.

The all of the awful pain and pressure of the awful pain awful and enconomy that was rendered fruithard times brought on by these failures. Such things can not be tabulated. classified and set forth in figures. Such things are beyond the power of language to describe or figures to express. What is a bank failure?

It is a crime, a legalized robbery. The banking business as conducted today is a gigantic "confidence game" operated by authority of law.

Will the people never rise to that plane of intelligence where they can see these things in their true light? better prices for what he has to se Banking is properly a function of government. It is as important that the government should own and control the banks as that it should issue the after the pledges it made to the people money of the country. The mere issue last fall. of money is not going to cure existing evils, if the machinery through which money is handled, kept, distributed, and loaned, is left in the hands of pri- prescription for this condition is to vate corporations.

No scheme of finance reform is complete that does not include a system of

HENRY R. LEGATE is after Attorney General Olney in the columns of the Boston Traveller. He shows that the Fresent attorney general of the United States was, in February, 1892, employed owned less than one-fifth. by the whisky trust to defend it again-t prosecution under the anti-trust law. August 9, contained a cartoon that was In doing this he set up the following as

> Trade and Commerce Againsts Uunlawful Restraints and Monopolies," passed July 2. 1890, is not within the power of congress, and is unconstitutional and void.

He succeeded in having the case dismissed from court. Yet Grover Cleveland, elected on an anti-trust platform, selected this same man for attorneyis to enforce this same law that he him- just as the democrats said it would not self has declared unconstitutional! No do. wonder the trusts are serene and happy under this "reform" administration.

COUNTY conventions should keep in view two points in selecting delegates that? gave Macune of Washington a great to the state convention: (1) Select true attend the convention.

CONGRESSMAN KEM ought to push his government banking scheme to the THE press dispatches from Washing- front in this congress. The time is ripe. ton say that the posulists will vote for The people are in a humor to appreciate such a scheme just now.

> GOLD is sometimes referred to as "the anything against them? money of the world." That's all right, but what we want now is a good deal more money of the United States.

WING SHOTS.

BY THE CAPTAIN.

The eastern press, democratic and republican alike, say Grover's message is strong, patriotic and statesmanlike. They read it through gold-rimmed spectacles. Jerry Simpson, who read it with the naked eye, says it is "weaker yet the Wall street pirates say that the than dishwater.'

THE CAPTAIN would like to have State Treasurer Bartley's attention for two or three moments: There is a la # on the statute books requiring the state treasurer to deposits ate funds in bunks, collect interest thereon and cover the brasks should make a strenuous effort same into the treasury. Have you attended to this little matter, Mr. Bart-ley? We haven't heard of it. In tact we have very reliable information that you are ignoring the law. If you will read over the statute you will find that stringency is. Stringency is a sort of you have subjected yourself to a fine of a queer sort of feeling, like you want you have subjected yourself to a fine of a queer sort of feeling, like you want to too. Further, you will find that if you collect any interest on state funds for your own private enrichment, you may be sent to the penitentiary for two years. Are you a candidate for that lestitution?

OLD PARTY speakers are not very

> Mr. Hoke Smith, a pointer for you: Nebreska state house drawing a pension of \$72 per month for "total dis-ability." The said "total disability" is not visible to the naked eye. He has for years been a deputy in one of the state offices and drawn a fat salary for his services. In fact he appears to be enjoying excellent health. Might be a good subject for investigation. There are several other similar cases in this at a premium on the nation's credit neck of woods. Better look when you have a little spare time.

WHAT's the matter? Everybody seems to be howling calamity.

Money is a creation of law. Then why should a nation borrow it?

WE need more money, but it is not necessary to sell bonds to secure it.

THE "best banking system in the world" seems to have a hole in it some-

POLITICS is "gittin to be mighty oncertain" with the old party dema-THE people have been paying the ex-

Tite banks are still engaged in their dance of death to the music of con-

penses of a political monkey show long

THERE'S a great wave of prosperity -among the gold bugs of Europe and America.

IT is the financiers that seem to have lost confidence and are calling for a THERE's a great want of confidence

-in the money pirates that seem to be running this government. If the farmers were prosperous there would be but few failures in any other

kind of legitimate business. LABOR is the creator of all wealth. yet it has received no consideration at

the hands of our law makers. THERE are only two sides to this money question-more money or less

money. On which side are you? WHAT the farmer ne:ds most is not more confidence, but more money-

Ir requires a great deal of gall files now to defend the democratic party,

EVERYBODY now admits that there is a scarcity of money. Cleveland's make it scarcer.

THERE is only one party that favors the free coinage of silver; if you are not in that party it is time you were getting there.

In 1850 the farmers of the United States owned five-eighths of the wealth of the nation. In 1890 they

DEBTS were made in the same kind

of currency we got now, and at a time

when it would buy much less. Then That an act entitled "An Act to Protect It is honest enough to pay those debta THE money power is now trying to have congress to pass a law that wheat

shall sell three bushels for a dollar, and cotton three pounds for ten cents. THE populists are not prophets but they knew a thing or two and it has general, one of whose principal duties turned out just as they predicted and

> THOMAS JEFFERSON was in favor of free trade. Grover Cleveland allows the McKinley tariff law to continue to rob the people. Any democracy in

> THERE are plenty of men and women in the country who want the opportunity to exchange their labor for money. Put that in your pipe and smoke it. THOMAS JEEFERTON opposed banks

of issue-national banks. How does

Cleveland stand on that question?

Has any one ever known him to say It is evident to any intelligent person that the more you fight silver the lower the price falls. Cleveland persists in fighting it, although his party

is pledged to keep it on a par with

gold.

It is scarcity of money that is causing hard times. The Sherman silver law has given us \$140,000,000 in money. Sherman law is the cause of financial disaster.

CLEVELAND sits down pretty hard on the democratic speakers of the last campaign, when he says the "financial condition is the only danger that menaces the welfare and prosperity of

An exchange wants to know what

patriotic this year. There are no offices in sight. When offices are in There is a certain man who haunts the sight their patriotism knows no bounds. They love the people thenfor the votes they want to receive.

> A GOVERNMENT bond has nothing bewin up why can't maper money be kept at par?