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WORDS OF PATRIOTS.

Prominent Stump Speakers on Sound Money, Protection and National Honor.

RECENT CAMPAIGN ORATORY.

Makers of History Record Utterances Which are Bound to Live for Ages.

What the Republican Party Stands For.

MAJ. MCKINLEY.

"The political situation of the country is peculiar. We have had few parallels to our present political condition. We have but one political party which is united, and that is ours. (Applause.)

"Happily the Republican party was never more closely united than now, both in fact and in spirit, and there were never better reasons for such union, and never greater necessity for it than now. (Cheers and cries of 'That's right!')

"It is wedded, devotedly wedded, to party principles. It stands as it has always stood, for an American protective tariff which shall raise enough money to conduct the several departments of the government, including liberal pensions to the Union soldiers. (Tremendous cheering and hurrahs for McKinley.)

"It is, too, for sound money (great cheering), every dollar worth 100 cents (renewed cheering), every dollar as good as gold (renewed cheering), and it is opposed alike to the free coinage of silver and the issuance of irredeemable paper money to which the allied party seemed firmly committed. (Great applause.)

"We cannot have commercial prosperity without the strict integrity of both government and citizen. (Renewed applause and cries of 'That's right!')

"It taxed the credit of the government in the days of the war to its utmost tension to preserve the government itself, which, under God, it was happily enabled to do. Following that mighty struggle it lifted our credit higher than it had ever been before and made it equal to the oldest and wealthiest nations of the world. (Applause and cries of 'That's right!')

"What was the peculiar part of the government which promises permanent credit unimpaired, the honor of the union unscathed, the country in its material conditions stronger than it had ever been before, the workingmen better employed and better paid than ever before, with prosperity in every part of the

republic and in no part an idle workman who wanted to work. (Tremendous applause.)

Bryan for Fiat Money.

EX-SENATOR WARNER MILLER.

Mr. Bryan at heart cares nothing for the free coinage of silver. Mr. Bryan is first and last a believer in fiat money, and he is only using the free coinage of silver to arrive at that finally. This is a serious charge to make, but if I cannot prove it I will apologize publicly for it.

In the September number of the Arena—just last month—there is an article on the currency by Mr. Bryan, in which he criticizes Mr. Cleveland severely for using bonds in time of peace, and especially for selling them to a syndicate. He says: "When the United States, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation, opens its mints to the free coinage of silver, it will be prepared to perfect its financial system by furnishing paper money invested with legal tender qualities and sufficient in volume to supply the needs of the government. Its paper money will not be loaned then to favorites, but will be paid out in the discretion of government, so that all may receive the benefit."

This is fiat money, pure and simple. Mr. Bryan proposes to stop taxation and pay the expenses of the government and printing fiat money. This government once launched upon that boundless sea would as certainly fall and go down as did the French republic, which was set up at the close of the last century by a lot of theorists and revolutionists. They issued during a few years forty thousand millions of francs of fiat money called assignats and mandats. They gave a legal-tender quality to it, but while it could pay debts it could not compel people to take it in purchase. In other words, they could give legal-tender quality to the money, but they could not give purchasing power to it. From day to day the assignats and mandats were issued until finally it all disappeared as utterly worthless. Not a single franc of it was ever paid or redeemed, and the people who had parted with their property for it were rendered paupers. Their property was gone and the money they had received was valueless.

Shall this be a lesson to us? And can we contemplate the probability of putting into power as President of the United States a man who holds such views? In my humble opinion there is but one way to bring us back to prosperity and to the path of progress, and that is to return to the system of administration which has been of such great benefit to us in the past, and to follow in that path, to follow the lamp of experience. To do that every true, honest American citizen, without distinction of party, should unite in this attempt at restoration, and should by an overwhelming majority stamp out now and forever the heresy and the folly of a cheap and deluded currency.

Bryan as an Orator.

BY W. D. ESTABROOK.

But Mr. Bryan I know somewhat, and find in his habits of life many things to admire. He is a man of modest, rather than of stately, stature, perhaps, rather than for staterate. He is a kind husband and an indulgent father. He does not smoke or drink or swear, and he is a man of few words. He is a man of rare eloquence, although he is not a man of many words. He is a man of rare eloquence, although he is not a man of many words. He is a man of rare eloquence, although he is not a man of many words.

But, my friends, there is not a word in this eulogium which would not apply with equal truth and appropriateness to another famous Nebraskan, whose exploits are inseparably linked with the history of Omaha, whose name is as regular as the sun, whose character is as impeccable as Bryan's own, whose presence is just as handsome, whose powers of speech were formerly just as great and have wrought many an audience to tears, to laughter and to frenzy; a man who, like Bryan, was possessed of a talking devil, and who today, in Madison square, New York—that bourne from which no Nebraskan seems ever to return—feeding bread crumbs to the sparrows. That man is George Francis Train. And it must be remembered that Mr. Train once ran for the presidency, just as Mr. Bryan is doing on a ticket of his own. I say that on a ticket on which Mr. Bryan is running for the presidency is essentially his own, although two other gentlemen have been casually mentioned in connection with it—trying to get off and the other trying to get on. Here, you observe, is a sort of political cerebus, with not the best of feeling between the candidate and the candidate.

What did Jackson do? These people call themselves Jacksonian Democrats, and I speak by the card. Before the latter end of 1832, Jackson ordered Gen. Scott, then in command of the United States army, to establish his military headquarters in the capital of South Carolina, in the first place. (Applause.) On the same day he ordered the two most powerful ships in the American navy to Charleston harbor. Next he ordered the troops of the United States available on the Atlantic coast to concentrate within striking distance of South Carolina. (Applause.) And he sent word to John C. Calhoun, not by letter or declaration, but in private—the best way of doing it. (Laughter and applause.)

Why, gentlemen, in 1832, John C. Calhoun advised that a convention gather in the state of South Carolina to consider the question whether his president Jackson could execute the law for the collection of tariff, this high protective tariff, and to execute the tariff law in the state of South Carolina. That convention declared that the federal government, through its president, had no power to execute that federal law in that state without the leave of the government of South Carolina.

Let us see what confronts us. What is this free government that we hear about from the rostrum only on gala days? But a word about this fundamental expression. Up to the establishment of the American government, all governments had failed on the face of the earth for the object for which governments are formed.

The theory is that this is the best government and the only free government which achieves for the people the largest amount of happiness, comfort and prosperity for the greatest number. Now, they had tried every thing, every absolute power of government, the execution of laws, and all judgment upon laws in one man, and it failed; the people were oppressed and made slaves. They tried, then, oligarchy, a government of many men; it failed for the purposes for which it was founded; so that all monarchy and all systems and every republic in the world had failed when our fathers founded the United States of America and gave us a place in the family of nations. (Applause.)

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AN EXACTING PATIENT.



Dr. Bryan: "There, sir, gaze at any object, your wallet, for instance; it looks as large again, doesn't it?" Uncle Sam: "Maybe, but it doesn't weigh any heavier." —Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Congress, can you go, thus far and no further, as laid down in this written document? We named an officer to execute the laws, called the President, conferring upon him certain powers to execute and carry out the provisions of Congress. His powers were conferred and limited by the written constitution; it had never been done before. What then? Still a further check in this new experiment. To what tribunal or what umpire shall he be referred to decide upon the question whether Congress goes beyond its written license under this constitution of the United States, and to what umpire shall it be referred if the President shall go beyond the license conferred upon him by this constitution of the United States?

We had created a congress independent of the President; we had created a President independent of the congress, within the powers conferred by the written instrument. Then the fathers decided that another check was necessary; this President and this congress, we have set up, may go the way of the French republic, or the Roman republic, or of other systems of government that have been formed; even with the best of intentions they may agree upon a certain construction. We will set up here a tribunal, far removed from political contest, the Supreme court of the United States (applause), with power to say to the President and the representatives of the state and the Senate: "Thus far shall you go in dealing with the rights of the people, thus far and no farther, and we beyond that point are considered upon these things by this constitution of the United States." (Applause.)

They said further that the President, occupying the office of the greatest potentiality and the greatest power conferred upon him, he may transgress this constitution of the United States, and there is no power to interfere with him as it stands, except by impeachment before the Senate and if the Senate and the President agree, that power would be futile, so that we will name this great tribunal, far away from the passions of elections, far away from the dictation of party conventions, and the decision of this tribunal as to what may be done, or what may not be done, shall be the final and binding on all the people of the United States. (Applause.)

What have we today? In the first place, we have this extraordinary proposition made. We find the powers conferred upon the President of the United States to execute the laws of Congress in these things, we find that by the law of Congress the President must see to it that the mails of the United States, the communications between our cities, the feeding of bread crumbs to the sparrows, that the mails shall go at all hazards. (Applause.)

We find Congress providing, as between the states, that the President shall have the power to suspend the execution of the law of Congress in the collection of freight and merchandise from state to state. We find this power resisted, and find in the declaration of the party platforms made at Chicago a statement that the President of the United States cannot execute the federal laws; cannot execute the power conferred upon him by Congress and the constitution of the United States, except by leave of the governor of the state (applause), and this is declared, fellow citizens—mark it well—this is declared by a body of people that came together at Chicago to elect a president of the United States. (Laughter.)

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No New Sectional Issue will be Tolerated.

SENATOR THURSTON. My fellow citizens, there are other reasons why the loyal people of this country should stand together at this time. Senator Tillman of South Carolina, chairman of the committee on reso-

lutions, who represents neither the old heroic South of Lee and Gordon and Buckner and Hampton, nor the new South of enterprise and energy and activity and increasing manufacture, stood up in the Chicago convention and proclaimed a new sectional issue, the South and the West against the North and the East. A new sectional issue between the North and the South! Why, God forbid! Illinois sent out the flower of her manhood to the nation's battlefield under Grant and Logan and Oglesby and Pallard to put an end to sectionalism between the North and the South forever. Illinois gave Lincoln to the restoration of the Union, that in his hallowed memory the hearts of all the people might grow together in close and lasting friendship. My father went under Wisconsin's flag, and gave his life that there should be and should remain a united people. I have crossed the old Mason and Dixon's line. Two weeks ago I went from Washington to Richmond in four hours—it took some of you four years to make the same journey. I have clasped in right good fellowship the hands of the men who fought upon the other side of the mighty West. The heroes of that great war—South and North—will never again enlist in another sectional strife.

It does not matter whether the American cradle is rocked to the music of Yankee Doodle or the lullaby of Dixie, if the flag of the nation is displayed above it; and the American baby can be safely trusted to pull about the door the rusty scabbard and the battered caucan, whether the inheritance be from blue or gray, if, from the breast of a true mother and the lips of a brave father, his little soul is filled with the glory of the American constellation. A new issue between the West and the East? Why, God forbid! I am a part of that mighty West. I know its brave, enterprising, pioneer people. I have seen them rescue the wilderness and convert it into a garden. They have been greatly aided by the assistance of the East, by the use of money which represents the accumulated savings of two centuries and a half of Eastern thrift. The great West cannot live and thrive without the cordial co-operation and support of the states of the East and the East cannot live and grow and thrive as it ought and should without the cordial co-operation, friendship and support of the mighty West. United, we are a nation powerful for the welfare of all sections; divided, we are at the beginning of the downfall of the republic. Nebraska put one star in the azure of the flag, and Illinois put another, but when they took their places in the flag they were no longer the stars of Illinois and Nebraska, but the stars of the greatest nation of the earth, shining for the welfare and protection of every section and all the people.

Integrity of the Courts.

EX-SENATOR JOHN C. SPOONER.

"There is another proposition in that platform which ought to strike terror to the heart of every good citizen, whatever his political affiliations heretofore may have been, and that is the proposition which even shocked David Bennett Hill (laughter), whom I am faintly hoping will come out after a little for sound money, and that is the suggestion that whenever the Supreme court of the United States, in the exercise of the jurisdiction vested in that tribunal by the constitution, renders a decision which is not agreeable to Congress, they shall proceed to pack that court in some way, with judges who will reverse it, and who will be more compliant. You recollect, ladies and gentlemen, that the Supreme court of the United States is created by the constitution. There are three subdivisions of our government, each independent of the other. The executive, the legislative and the judiciary. The Supreme court of the United States has been, from the beginning, an honor to this country; and its line of decisions, the great men who have been upon that bench shedding lustre upon our jurisprudence and upon the jurisprudence of the world, have abundantly vindicated the wisdom of the framers of the constitution in creating it, in making it perpetual and in providing for the independent and fearless action by reason of the life tenure of its judges.

Labor Needs an Unvarying and Reliable Currency.

FRANK S. BLACK, CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK.

"No man's labor of yesterday or last year can be preserved, except by money representative or token of it, and money is the almost universally agreed agent for that purpose. Nothing in the world should be so anxious as labor that the token which represents it should be unvarying and reliable. Who can preserve until tomorrow the labor of today? It cannot be stored, and the only means of securing its benefits is to receive and preserve some token which shall stand in its stead and which may be used as future needs may require. We are so great; France is so powerful, a man is robbed, it is a crime and he may have redress. If a bank fails and pays him only 53 cents on the dollar, it is a misfortune, and he is not yet without redress. But if he votes a man who is 47 cents of every dollar, it is his own fault, and he has nothing to condemn but his own folly, which will remain with him much longer than his money."

Effect of Inflation.

SENATOR LODGE.

Well, it is easy to mark up prices. A man can go over his stock of goods in the morning and mark them up with a blue pencil; but you cannot go over the salaries and the wages of this country with a blue pencil in the morning and mark them up.

During our war, when we had an inflated currency and prices rose, the average price of commodities rose 83 per cent. Labor rose about 40 per cent. There was a net loss to labor of about 50 per cent. A net reduction of wages to that extent. Labor always, in case of a depreciated currency, lags behind other prices. It is inevitable; all history and all experience shows it. They tried it in France in the last century; they tried the inflation of the currency to the last extent. You read the history of the period; you find in the debates of the French convention at the time of the Revolution—which resembled a good deal, in many respects, the convention at Chicago—you find it constantly said: "We are so great; France is so powerful, so civilized, so free, that she can raise the price of money, she can maintain any system she wants." And they issued the assignats based on the public land; here was recovery behind them, and they were not merely irredeemable paper,

which may be intended to be a conservative body may be a revolutionary body, we take comfort in the fact that we can rely upon the patriotism upon the wisdom and upon the fearlessness of the judiciary. (Applause.) The man who makes it his business in public or private life to destroy the confidence of the people in the judiciary is a public enemy. (Applause.) It is a cowardly thing to do. It is the next meanest thing to whispering something about the character of a woman; and nothing on earth can be meaner than that. (Applause.) It is the next thing to it, to pass unfriendly comment and impeachment upon judges, and the integrity of their purposes; because a judge cannot come down from the bench and resent an insult like that. I say the people in this election ought to see to it that no President would not take them, the paper became absolutely worthless, and when that paper became worthless it was found, not in the hands of the speculators; no, it was found in the hands of the manufacturers, of the business men, of the workmen of France. It was on them that the loss fell, because they had exchanged their labor and their earnings for this worthless paper. That is the history of all attempts to juggle with the currency. The loss lands always in the same place, and we can form no exception to the great natural laws.

Jugglers with the National Credit.

CHAUNCEY DEWEY.

"Bryan and Sewall and Watson proclaim a revolution. These jugglers with the national faith and national credit, with business and prosperity, with labor and employment, are recklessly endeavoring to precipitate one of those crises in which capital and labor and houses and wages are destructively involved. The right of revolution is divine, but it must have supreme justification. Under our constitutions and institutions, and laws as they exist, there is before us in the promises of the Populist leaders nothing but an invitation to embark upon that sea of repudiation and dishonor which has wrecked every nation and every people that ever embarked upon it. This revolution promises to destroy the Supreme court, to prevent the issue of bonds and the use of the credit of the country for any purpose, to debase the currency, if need be, to issue irredeemable paper and fiat money, and to destroy the validity and the inviolability of contracts between individuals. It promises to seize the railways and the telegraphs, to enter upon a vague and vast system of paternal government and to destroy those elements of American liberty by which the government governs and the individual lives. It promises opportunity for industrial, professional and political honors and emoluments.

"No one has ever doubted the wisdom of the fathers of our republic. A century of experiment has abundantly and overwhelmingly justified their foresight, statesmanship and patriotism. They saw the horrors of the French revolution, and they made up their minds to guard their country against the excesses of temporary madness. They created the executive and the legislative branches of the government and made the subject to frequent submission to the will and judgment of the people, but they enacted a written constitution under which the executive and the legislative branches must act, and then they created that new feature of government, that palladium of the rights of the people and the permanence of our institutions, an independent judiciary, a court which could say to a wild Congress: 'You have overleaped the boundaries of the constitution and you must bring yourselves within its limits.' They knew that the precedents of liberty behind them that the judiciary can always be trusted. There are two places under our constitution where neither wealth nor power gives any advantage to the poor, the most exalted and the humble stand on the same plane; one is the ballot box and the other the court. And yet this Democratic and Populist alliance proposes to destroy this majestic tribunal and make it simply the echo of the party caucus which controls Congress this year and may be driven into obscurity next."

COME HOME.

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Mr. McKinley said: "Good money never made hard times." Mr. Bryan said: "Money can be too good." Will the people of this country have difficulty in determining which is right? Among the best speeches being made in this campaign are those coming from that little two-story porch at Canton. It requires no argument to see why Bryan and his followers do not want to talk about protection.

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THE ROOSTER HE WORE ON HIS HAT.

Come, pause for a while in your play, And put down your hat and your bay. Attend to me well, My story I tell Of a man who was tempted to stray. My boy, And the rooster he wore on his hat. This man was a laborer skilled, Contented and happy thereat. For his job was secure, And his wages were sure, But his heart with a longing was filled, My boy, For a rooster to wear on his hat. One day some demagogues came, (For demagogues read Democrat), And begged and begged and begged, In behalf of free trade, Till they set all his fancy aflame, My boy, For a rooster to pin on his hat. He whooped like an imbecile ton, My boy, For a candidate fussy and fat. Whose inflated speech was so long, Soon collapsed and came down; And if he felt a punctured balloon, My boy, Now his partisans float in the soup, Along with the bill they bought. The chickens all sigh For their vanishing rooster; And the rooster is sick with the roup, My boy, Poor rooster that rode on the hat. And poverty sits in the seat, My boy, Where competence formerly sat. And the laboring man, This will be his doom plan, Is now left with nothing to eat, My boy, But the rooster he wore on his hat. Then take warning and never forget, My boy, Free traders are blind as a bat. Their promise of good is a miserably food, And the laborer long will regret, My boy, The rooster he wore on his hat. —Lodiapolis Journal.

ABOUT BILL BRYAN.

About Bill Bryan, may his tribe decrease! Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace, He saw within the moonlight of his room Making it rich and silver-like in bloom. An angel writing in a book of gold, Exceeding gold had made Bill Bryan bold, "What wastest thou?" The vision faded, "Is he dead?" And, with a look of what he might expect, Answered, "Their names which he'll get it in 'And am I one?' asked Abon. 'I don't know.' Replied the angel, Abon spoke more low, But cheerily still, and said, 'I pray thee, write on this one that is able to err.' The angel wrote and vanished. The next night it came again with a great November light, And showed the names of those knocked gulley-west: And lo! Bill Bryan's name led all the rest! —Lincoln (Neb.) News.

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