

A YOUNG ECONOMIST.

He is the Populist Candidate for County Clerk.

He Writes as Sound Political Economy as Ever did John Stuart Mill.

TO THE VOTERS OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEB.

My work being of such a nature that I will not be able to make a thorough campaign and thus meet all those by whose suffrage our public servants are chosen, I take this method of saying a few words in regard to my candidacy and my position on the financial question.

I was nominated by the populist party, without any solicitation on my part, for the office of county clerk. I am not an office seeker, never having sought an office or received a nomination for any office before. I am a populist because I believe in the eternal principles of the Omaha platform and that if they were enacted into law and carried out in good faith they would go a long way toward establishing justice upon earth and would give to those who toil the products of their labor, and until that is done justice to labor will not have been done.

As to my fitness or qualifications for the office of county clerk, I would say that I am accounted a first class penman and accountant. I have been in business college work for the past five years and at present holds the position of principal of the business department at Cotner University.

As to my position on the financial or any other question, I presume it should have nothing to do with the selection of a county clerk. But as the financial question is the all absorbing topic of the day, I deem it only proper that the people should know how I stand on the subject. I believe in the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the ratio of 16 to 1 as long as we maintain the present specie basis system. If we must have a specie basis, by all means let us have the base enlarged.

It is the legal tender quality of the silver dollar which holds it to a par with the gold dollar, notwithstanding because of its restricted coinage and the consequent surplus on the market, the bullion value is not much over half if any, of the legal tender value. There are a great many people who believe that the silver dollar is redeemable in gold and that that is what maintains its value, such is not the case. The U. S. government is under no obligations either moral or legal to redeem the silver dollar or silver certificate in gold, and what is more does not do so. No man can take silver dollars to the U. S. Treasury and have them redeemed in gold. That is a "gold bug" lie made out of whole cloth in order to blind the people to the beneficial effect of the legal tender quality and what it would do for the people.

The difference between the bullion value and the legal tender value of silver dollar is supported by nothing but the fiat of the government. It is as good as gold in this country because it will pay any debt which gold will pay, unless gold should be especially stipulated for. That (the contract clause) is the only weak place about the legal tender law as it regards silver, but notwithstanding that, its other legal tender qualities maintains its value.

Money is not a commodity; it is the stamp of the government; "a printed legal decree." It should be stamped on a material which has no commodity value. It would then be as sound as the government is sound. Its value would depend upon the stability of the government and would be just as sound as a government bond or the title to your land.

Commodity money (money stamped on a commodity) makes cowards of men, because if the government does not go down they can take their yellow stuff and go abroad. They say the government can go to hades before they will risk their lives. Fiat money makes patriots of men; because the value of their dollar depends on the government just the same as the title of their lands. But suppose the government should go down; who would have the gold do you think? Most assuredly the money power would have it all raked in and the laborer would be left to shift for himself.

No, the solution of the financial question will be the adoption of a purely fiat system of money and the establishment of a governmental system of banks. The fearful drain of interest which the people are sustaining must be stopped, and the only way to do that is for the government to go wholly into the banking business instead of getting wholly out of it, as the gold bug enemies of the people would have it do.

The money question is the interest question, and until we devise a monetary system which will knock the business of the money lender in the head, the financial question will not be settled. No man or set of men should be allowed to live by the sweat of other men's brows by having the privilege of furnishing the people with money furnished out to them, thus enabling them to draw high tribute in the shape of interest, when it is the duty of the government to furnish the people with their circulating medium at cost of issue.

When our fathers cast off the yoke of King George they thought they had as far as they were concerned dethroned the tyrant. They looked over the world and beheld poverty, misery and degradation among the people. But the light of a century and a quarter has disclosed the fact that away back of the monarch on his gilded throne sits the real tyrant avarice, in his gilded den, that monarchial governments, the tyranny of kings and the hereditary succession of power are but the outgrowths of an underlying system of robbery so old that it is revered, and at the communion table of Christendom it is given the seat of honor.

Specie basis and the inevitable debt system for usury is the arch tyrant that is crushing humanity today; this is the monster which must be dethroned and his scepter broken.

Voters of Lancaster county, arise in your might, burst asunder the shackles blind party prejudice and cast your vote for the preservation of the American republic and American liberties.

Yours for truth and right,
G. H. WALTERS.
Bethany, Neb., Oct. 3, 1895.

A GREAT FAILURE.

The Long Promised Republican Ratification a Complete Fizzle.

The republicans opened their campaign on their convention day. Long and costly preparations had been made for it. Numerous banners and transparencies had been painted and 250 coal oil torches had been bought. All these were paraded through the streets, mostly in the hands of boys, with a very large colored contingent. After marching through the principal streets they were rounded up at Funke's opera house and marched in, heralded by brass bands and a drum corps.

After all that, the opera house was only a little more than half filled. It was the biggest failure the republican party ever made in this state.

Mr. Frick of Fremont was the speaker. He told some stories (some not very delicate) which were listened to in almost perfect silence and then he began to talk tariff. It fell flat. Even republicans no longer listen to tariff with patience. Finally he got on to the money question and denounced the free coinage of silver with vigor and bitterness.

Considering Mr. Frick's mental capacity it would hardly be fair to accuse him of willful falsehood when he declared repeatedly with great distinctness and vigor, that the only reason silver dollars were at par with gold was because any man could take them to the United States treasury and have them redeemed in gold. The poor fellow probably did not know any better.

When he got through the audience were so wearied and disgusted that it was found impossible to hold them any longer. So the other fellows who were expected to speak didn't have the chance. The whole thing was a monumental failure in intellect, in numbers, in enthusiasm and respectability.

Fred Miller Raids a Gambling Den.

Not one gambler has been arrested in this city since the republican bootleggers got hold of the government until last Wednesday. Then it was not done by the police but by the populist sheriff, Fred Miller, who upon the complaint of Peter Gladrock, raided the gambling house of Tom Wedick and Ed Shears, and arrested the whole outfit. It is impossible for the sheriff, however, to close the gambling houses that fall within the pale of the city government which is republican. Within a few hours the place was again running wide open under protecting aegis of the republican ring rule now all powerful in Lincoln, the parties having given bail and gone back to their regular business. While the populist sheriff was trying to close a gambling den, the police were out hunting for boys to carry torches in the ratification march. The decent citizens of Lincoln are getting pretty weary of this sort of government.

Dr. Greene Resigns.

Dr. J. L. Greene created a ripple of surprise at the governor's office Tuesday afternoon by handing in his resignation, as first assistant physician at the Nebraska Hospital for the Insane at Lincoln. In his letter to the governor, Dr. Greene says the relations between Superintendent Abbott, Dr. Newbecker and himself are, and have been, of the most pleasant and cordial nature, but owing to long continued application his health has broken down and his physician has enjoined on him a long rest and freedom from mental worry. Governor Holcomb accepted the resignation and named as his successor Dr. C. E. Coffin of North Loup, Valley county. Dr. Coffin is the populist nominee for coroner of that county and comes highly recommended.

A decision rendered by the supreme court this week sustains the position taken by Governor Holcomb in regard to the blind asylum, and the institution will now come under his control and he will exercise the same authority that has always been exercised by former governors. The attempt of the last legislature to assume the executive power as well as the legislative is so manifestly unconstitutional that even a partisan court dare not sustain it.

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A PARTISAN NOMINATION.

The Republican State Convention Nominates and Nerval Accepts—as a Partisan Judge.

The Issue Made and Populists Gladly Accept It.

The republican state convention was held according to the programme in Funke's opera house on Wednesday. There was no eagerness manifested to get the news for every intelligent citizen in the state well knew what had been laid out for it to do before it met. A few days ago Tom Majors came to Lincoln, as was announced in the INDEPENDENT, and was soon followed by Holdrege. What the corporations wanted was then there written out, and the convention went through the formality of endorsing it. That this is an exact statement of the facts in the case is proved by the official report of the convention in the state Journal which is as follows:

J. E. Frick moved to appoint a committee of seven on resolutions.

Robert St. Clair raised a laugh by moving that the gentlemen having them prepared bring them in. The chairman said the proposed committee might be made the carrying committee for the package. The motion carried.

The men who formed the great body of the delegates were mere automatons, the corporation pulled the string and they jumped.

As far as the platform is concerned, it is a wily effort to revive the tariff question and side track, as far as possible, all financial issues.

Judge Nerval was of course nominated by acclamation. He was nominated as a partisan and accepted as a partisan. His exact words were: "I accept the nomination as a republican." He was not given the nomination because he was a jurist or a lawyer but because he was a republican, and he so understood it and replied: "I accept as a republican."

The republican managers in this state therefore take one more step toward the overthrow of free institutions, and abandoning all the traditions of the fathers of the republic, openly proclaim themselves in favor of a partisan judiciary. The populist party gladly accepts the issue made and will wage its battle for a non-partisan judiciary such as Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Franklin and other founders of this republic believed they had provided for. The people of this state have now only to decide in this election whether they want a partisan supreme judge who will make partisan decisions, or one who will deal out justice to all parties alike. Do they desire, when men steal thousands of dollars from the state, if they are republicans, that they are to go unpunished, it being the "opinion" of a partisan judge that it is simply a "mistake of judgment," and not a crime.

There was no enthusiasm in the convention from beginning to end. It was not at all like a republican convention of ten years ago. Every leader sat in a gloomy sort of silence for nearly an hour after the convention assembled before the official proceedings began. They all had the appearance of men who had some serious trouble resting on their minds, or perhaps it was the reflection that they had sold their manhood and their independence and dare not even rise to make a motion or a suggestion. It was a demonstration of how the money power can make slaves and serfs of once fair minded and free American citizens.

Solved at Last.

The leaders of both old parties have been engaged for the last three years in interpretations of the financial plank in the national platforms. Many and various have been these explanations, but the following is about the clearest as any of them, especially of the silver plank. "Every whiteness of the whiteness, should be equal to, and interchangeable with every platform of the whiteness; therefore we demand that every American whereforeness of the whiteness shall be equal in value to every whiteness of the whiteness of the whole civilized world."

The Missouri World.

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THE JUNTA NONPLUSSED.

They Attempt to Draw a Warrant of \$4,000 in Favor of A. D. Beemer, and Fail.

Warden Leidigh still holds undisputed possession at the penitentiary and things have been excessively quiet around the state house for some time, but on Wednesday the Junta came to the conclusion that it was about time they had to do something or give up the fight. Russell and his coadjutor put their heads together and concluded to draw a warrant in favor of A. D. Beemer for \$4,000 for maintenance of the prisoners. Meantime a friend of Auditor Eugene Moore slipped around and told him that Russell and Bartlett were about to put him in the hole so deep he could never crawl out. If the voucher was presented to him and he issued the warrant, every decent man in the state would be after him red hot, for it is not pretended that Beemer has expended one cent for the maintenance of prisoners. In the second place, if he refused to issue it, the whole gang would be down on him and never forget it. Moore did not let the grass grow under his feet for a second, but bounced in on the Junta and stopped the whole proceeding.

At last accounts the Junta were holding frequent consultations to devise some means to get the penitentiary out of the hands of Warden Leidigh and Gov. Holcomb, and get hold of that \$100,000 appropriation, but up to the hour of going to press they were still in the wilderness. Beemer hasn't got hold of any part of that \$3,000 salary yet and he feels mighty bad too. The INDEPENDENT extends to him its heartfelt commiseration. To be weaned from the public teat is hard to be endured, but there don't seem to be any help for it.

LEGAL NOTICE.

To Frank H. Kaylor, Mrs. Frank H. Kaylor and J. J. Hubbell.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that on the 10th day of September 1894, John E. Miller and B. L. Paine, partners, as Miller & Paine, filed their petition in the district court, of Lancaster county, state of Nebraska, against you impleaded with William S. Misner and Martha Misner, the object and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by William Misner and Martha Misner to J. J. Hubbell and assigned to plaintiffs, said mortgage being upon lot No. three in block No. five, in Crystal Springs addition to the city of Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of a certain promissory note dated December 23rd, 1892, for the sum of \$338.00 past due and payable prior to the commencement of this action. There is now due upon said note the sum of \$338.00 and interest from April 1st, 1893, at the rate of ten per cent per annum, for which said plaintiffs pray for a decree, and that said real estate be sold to satisfy the same.

You are required to answer said petition on or before Nov. 18th, 1895. Dated this 1st day of October 1895. MILLER & PAINE, Plaintiffs.

WIGS AND THISTLES.

You can't shut the devil up, but you can shut him out.

We all hate the truth that hits us between the eyes.

The moment humility undertakes to carry a flag it kills itself.

Never put yourself in the power of a man who will kick a dog for fun.

If you want to live long, don't try to live more than one day at a time.

The man who controls himself will also control a great many other people.

God has nowhere promised to feed the man who will not take his coat off.

What do you suppose the angels think of a man who is doing his best to die rich?

The poor want money, and the rich want to spend it, and that's what gives to the world progress.

The soaring hawk has no ear for music, and rates the cry of the partridge above the song of the nightingale.

It is hard to believe in the religion of a man who always looks as though he had been throwing bootjacks at a cat.

There are hundreds of men who chew and smoke, who always howl when their wives want another feather on their bonnets.

It is not those who have done the most evil, but those who have resisted the most truth, who are the wickedest in the sight of God.

The devil is never scared by a handsome bible on a parlor table. The bible that makes him run is the one that is written in the heart.—The Ram's Horn.

WORK OF THE ARTISTS.

Further mining in the north wall of Chester, Eng. has brought to light a number of carved stones and some twenty-five gravestones of the Roman period.

John J. Boyle, of Philadelphia, will model the figure of an Indian, six feet six inches high, to stand on the battlefield of Gettysburg in honor of the Forty-second New York.

Hamilton Gibson shows at Thurber's gallery, Chicago, a set of sixty water colors. The paintings and water colors exhibited by the Palette club at the Art Institute have found very scant favor.

Holman Hunt's "Finding of Our Savior in the Temple," painted in Palestine in 1834, was bought by a collector named Matthews, who always declined to exhibit or lend the picture for exhibition.

The Grosvenor Art gallery, of Washington, has bought a large painting by G. S. Truesdell, called "Going to Parture." It is seven feet by five and shows a French peasant girl leading a flock of sheep to pasture in autumn.

A monument to General Hancock of Pennsylvania, unveiled at Newtown on Decoration day, May 30. A bronze medallion, showing the general's head in profile, modeled by Henry Manger of Philadelphia, ornaments the monument.

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