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For President, WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN. For Vice-President, THOMAS E. WATSON.

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For Governor, Silas A Holcomb. For Lieut. Governor, J E Harris. For Secretary of State, W F Porter.

Patrons of this paper should not pay money to agents without a receipt.

Tom Watson's paper carries Bryan at the head of the ticket.

Does any one know what has become of a man by the name of Jack McColl, who at one time resided in the western part of this state?

Will some gold bug please tell us what would induce men to flood this country with silver which would be worth no more coined than it was before?

John L. Webster has a new name attached to him, and he will never be able to shake it off.

The Evening Call would hardly indulge in another fake interview with Tom Watson if it knew he was going to make a speech in town afterwards?

Bryan has quit handshaking. He says that he believes in equal rights to all and special privileges to none.

Col. Norton, who received the middle-of-the-road vote for president against Bryan at the populist national convention, is stumping for Bryan.

There were not 5,000 free silver votes in Maine before the Chicago convention. They polled more than 50,000 at this election.

John C. Black refused to run on the yellowcrat ticket for governor of Illinois against Altgeld.

Two or three carpenters were seen engaged at work on a house in Lincoln yesterday. The sight was so rare a thing in these gold standard times.

Will tariff raise prices? Then you are going to reduce the purchasing power of a day's labor, just like a silver dollar lunatic.

The free silver people of this city seem to be neutral on the subject of the vice presidential candidacy.

As a specimen of goldbug reporting of political news an item in the Bee the other day should receive the prize.

The goldbug editors and orators say that the law cannot give a piece of silver more value than it possesses.

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HON. THOS. E. WATSON.

The oration delivered at Lansing theatre yesterday by Hon. Thomas E. Watson of Georgia was an intellectual treat which is not enjoyed many times in a lifetime.

In elegant diction, in incisive statement, in convincing logic, in that triumph of all oratory, the power to gain the good will and sympathy of an audience, Thos. E. Watson has no superior in the United States.

He began with an acknowledgment of the generous and kind treatment he had received from the people of Nebraska, and then came the frank statement that he was a populist standing upon the populist platform.

His discussion of the principles of a just system of taxation was full of learning and scholarship, and his conclusions the same as are arrived at by all students of that subject, viz., taxes should be laid on property and not per capita on men.

He defended the populist idea of the public ownership of all public highways. In reply to the question of how we could buy and pay for the railroads, he said, we paid for them, as things now are, every twenty years anyway, and after they were thus paid for we did not have even a hand-car to show for our money.

He told the story of the Georgia central railroad. It was the pride of the state. The money of widows and orphans was invested in its stock as a safe investment. Retired merchants, after a business life time in trade, put their money there.

In speaking of the tariff question he summed it up this way: A protective tariff will either raise, lower or not effect prices at all, and asked the republicans which it would do.

There was a little crowd of republicans at the back part of the theatre. When Mr. Watson said that all taxes and all debts must be paid in gold, they seemed inclined to make a disturbance as the free silver men began to yell back at them.

No public speaker ever showed more tact and skill than Mr. Watson did at this juncture. He had the whole thing quieted inside of a half a minute.

When some one called out, "How about that \$188,000 that McKinley owes Hanna?" he replied: "That is a personal matter and I will not indulge in personalities."

When he undertook to read an extract from one of McKinley's speeches, the republicans began to howl again, at which Mr. Watson said that he was surprised that the Lincoln republicans refused to listen to one of Major McKinley's speeches.

He closed his speech with a brilliant peroration, saying that Hanna and McKinley stood for the money power and special privileges and Bryan against them, therefore he was for Bryan.

Hanna seems to be hiring all the defaulters and renegades in Lincoln and sending them out to tell the people that they "lived next door to Bryan," and Bryan was so poor he had scarcely any thing to eat, and was really a vagabond.

Tom Watson's speech for sale at 2 cents per copy, \$1.50 per 100. Send your order to NEBRASKA INDEPENDENT, Lincoln, Nebraska.

MONEY OF THE WORLD.

I can take the dollars of my country, gold or silver or paper, and go into the four corners of the habitable globe. I can transact business with all peoples, civilized, semi-civilized and barbaric, without fear of discount, depreciation or discredit.

The above is a broadside of goldbug lies, and if John U. P. Thurston was ever outside of his own county he knew they were lies when he uttered them.

John U. P. must take the voters of this country to be as great ignoramuses as the editors of republican weeklies who reprint such stuff.

It does not require half the mathematical skill to tell the value of Mexican dollars or Japanese yens in the money of the United States as it requires to tell the value of United States money equivalent in pounds, shillings and pence.

The writer of this while traveling in England and Scotland more than a hundred times offered money of the United States in exchange for goods at shops and stores and in no case would any one take it, so he says, that in a fair contest, John U. P. Thurston can beat Eli Perkins lying two to one.

A HANNACRAT DISPATCH.

A Dallas, Texas, dispatch to the Chicago Chronicle August 5 says: "Mr. Norton of Illinois, who was the middle-of-the-road candidate for president at the St. Louis convention against W. J. Bryan passed through Dallas tonight en route to Galveston to attend the populist state convention, which meets Wednesday."

REDEEMING SILVER DOLLARS.

It is not doubted that whatever can be lawfully done to maintain equality in the exchangeable value of the two metals will be done whenever it becomes necessary, and although silver dollars and silver certificates have not up to the present time been received in exchange for gold, yet, if time shall ever come when the party cannot be otherwise maintained such exchanges will be made.

So Mr. Carlisle lets the cat out of the bag. They are going to begin redeeming silver dollars in gold pretty soon.

What a good time the bond buying syndicates will have when that time comes! With about 500,000,000 silver dollars, \$150,000 Sherman notes and \$346,000,000 greenbacks to be redeemed in gold and only \$100,000,000 of gold to do it with, won't there be a happy time? There will be a \$100,000,000 bond sale to buy gold every month.

LET HANNA REJOICE.

The efforts of the Hannacrats to rejoice over the Maine election is the most ridiculous performance in the history of politics when the facts are taken into consideration.

The Maine democrats after open and fair primaries sent delegates to a democratic state convention, who, carrying out the wishes of their constituents, nominated gold standard candidates, promulgated a gold standard platform and sent a gold standard delegation to Chicago, where the new democracy from the west and south as good as kicked them out.

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WHAT HANNA SAYS.

The Hannacrats delight to say that the populists have been sold out to and swallowed by the old copperhead, moss-back, democratic party.

Then the old democratic party leaving their dead buried on the field of battle, retreated back on Indianapolis, made a rally and reorganized.

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According to McKinley, it would be a dishonest and dishonorable thing for this government to allow a miner to bring 53 cents' worth of silver and have it coined into a dollar, but if England says it may be done, it is right and honorable and will be his "duty to employ all proper means to promote it."

On page 111 of the Revised Coinage Laws will be found this sentence: "At the date of the passage of the silver law of July 14, 1890, the price of silver in London was 49 3/4 pence, equivalent to 1.07 per fine ounce."

The highest point reached since the passage of the act was in New York, Aug. 19, 1890—\$1.21 per ounce, and in London, September 3, 1890—54 1/2 pence equivalent to \$1.18 per fine ounce."

On the next page we read: "On the 26th day of June it was definitely announced that the legislative council of India has passed a bill closing her mints to the deposits of silver by individuals for coinage."

The price of silver bullion depends upon legislation. This shows how directly that the value of silver bullion depends upon legislation.

The New York World prints two and a half columns of Watson's great Lincoln speech, sent it by telegraph, under two column wide displayed head.

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The most heartsick, disconsolate lot of republicans that were ever seen on the streets of any city, were the gang that went to the Lansing yesterday to hear Tom Watson roast Sewall and create a split in the supporters of Mr. Bryan.

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THEY'LL WISH THEY HADN'T.

According to the constant assertions of the bankers if Mr. Bryan is elected there will be a panic and a crash. Now they had better stop that kind of talk or some of them will go into a receiver's hands before the election occurs.

The Custer County Chief, a large, well edited, enterprising paper joined the populist ranks last week. We extend to it a hearty welcome to the reform ranks.

HOW TO WIN.

There are hundreds of republicans in Lincoln who have renounced the party since the St. Louis convention and who will vote for Bryan on the 3d day of next November. Many of these have had the moral courage to openly assert this fact regardless of what former party associates may say.

These days it is the same in politics as it is in business—you must hustle and hustle hard if you would get what you are after. The electoral vote is not to be given to Bryan for the simple asking.

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POPULISTS CAMPAIGNING.

The populist state committee is making one of the grandest campaign fights ever made for any cause. It has in the field under its management thirteen populist speakers who are speaking most of the time twice a day.

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BISMARCK FOR BIMETALLISM.

Perhaps our innumerable goldbug and bolting friends will be ready now to call Prince Bismarck an "anarchist" and all sorts of naughty names.

Governor Culberson of Texas, some weeks ago, wrote to the prince, asking for his views as to the policy of the United States adopting bimetalism as a government financial system.

The governor, in due course of mail, received a reply which he read to a political meeting in Dallas Saturday night. Prince Bismarck said:

Friedrichsruhe, Aug. 24.—Honored Sir: Your esteemed favor has been duly received. I hold that this is the very hour that would be advisable to bring about between the nations chiefly engaged in the world's commerce a mutual agreement in favor of the establishment of bimetalism.

So the prince agrees with Mr. Bryan and the national democratic platform, as adopted at Chicago last July, in believing that independent action on the part of the United States would exert "a most salutary influence upon the consummation of an international agreement." A wise prince.

Ignorance is the mother of intolerance. That accounts for the mass of epithets hurled at free silver men.

The republicans announced a campaign of education, but they have left off discussing and gone to cussing.

The west has the gold and silver mines and the east the farm mortgages and government bonds. In that lies the essence of this whole fight.

J. Sterling Morton says that every fool in America is advocating free silver, but that can't be true for Morton is himself opposed to free silver.

They have a republican party out in Colorado endeavoring to beat the populist state ticket, the republicans and democrats having fused for that purpose.

The republicans are now pinning their faith to Bill Dech and Paul Vandervoort. One thing is certain, if Bill and Paul can't pull them through they are goners.

If Tom Patterson wants to help beat Bryan in Nebraska, let him write two or three more editorials on Tom Watson like the one that appeared in the News September 21.

A FREE BALLOT.

To the Editor: "A free ballot and a fair count has been the slogan of every campaign by the republicans but the one now in progress. The mask now is off and they make no bones of it either. Coercion and intimidation is the chief order of the day."

Go among the railroad employees and all seem to wear the same kind of badge (collar). This certainly is remarkable. It is reported that many men have lost their places for no other offense than by asserting their choice of Mr. Bryan for president.

When great corporations assume to override the will of the people to whom they are indebted for their business and even their existence, they develop a hostility and menace which are utterly at variance with free institutions.

As a matter of reciprocal advantage the railroads cannot afford to antagonize the interests of the farmers. The paramount interest of the farmer is to obtain paying prices for his products. This he cannot realize under a gold standard when all told there is but \$2.52 in gold per capita.

The bimetallic system being the best for all producers, it certainly must be best for the railroads. No fair minded man can doubt this. Why then do the railroad men play "the dog in the manger?" S. M. BENEDICT.