

THE MAJOR'S LETTER

ACCEPTING THE REPUBLICAN NOMINATION.

A Review of All the Issues Before the People in This Campaign—Sound Money and Protection Panacea for the Distress That Prevalts—Meaning of the Chicago Declaration on Money.

Mr. McKinley's Acceptance Letter.

CANTON, O., Aug. 27.—Following is Major McKinley's letter of acceptance of the Republican nomination for President:

Mr. McKinley's letter of acceptance of the Republican nomination for President. It is the highest honor and it is a duty to accept of it. I am proud to be chosen to represent the people of the United States in the Presidential election of 1900.

Free Coinage of Silver.

For the first time since 1828, if ever before, there is presented to the American people this year a direct issue as to our monetary system of vast importance in its effects, and upon the right settlement of which rests largely the financial honor and prosperity of the country.

Not Opposed to Silver.

The Republican party has not been, and is not, opposed to the use of silver money, as its record abundantly shows. It has done all that could be done for it.

Final Money.

The silver question is not the only issue affecting our money in the pending contest. Not content with urging the free coinage of silver, its strongest champions demand that our paper money shall be issued directly by the government of the United States.

Gold and Silver Dollars.

I answer: The silver dollar now in use was coined on account of the government and not for private account or gain, and the government has issued and circulated it as good as the best dollars we have.

Protection.

It is a cause for painful regret and solicitude that an effort is being made by those high in the councils of the allied parties to divide the people of the country into classes and create distinctions among us, which, in fact, do not exist and are repugnant to our form of government.

Question of Party.

Such are the silver dollars which would be issued under the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1.

money than now and it would be no easier to see that such would be the result is against reason and is contradicted by experience in all times and in all lands.

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legislation which will avoid the accumulation of funds, and the expenditure of those funds for the expenses of the government.

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"We have either been sending too much money out of the country, or getting too little in, or both."

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Law and Order. "We avoid no issue. We meet the sudden, dangerous and revolutionary assault upon law and order, and upon those to whom is confided by the constitution and laws the authority to uphold them."

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CALIFORNIA FUSION.

Complete Union on Congressmen Proposed—Trouble for the Electors.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—Fusion committees representing the Democrats, Populists and Bimetallists met yesterday and appointed a committee of sixteen to be known as the joint congressional committee, to select congressional candidates. To nominate a candidate will require the vote of four Democrats, four Populists and two silver men, and the candidate receiving such a vote will be the union nominee of the three parties.

ILLINOIS GOLD MEN.

One Thousand Delegates in Convention—General Black Heads the Ticket.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—The Democratic gold standard state convention was called to order this afternoon by Chairman C. A. Ewing of the state committee, with about 1,000 delegates present, representing every county in the state.

AN ACCIDENT AT UTICA.

The Platform on Which Bryan Was Speaking Gave Way.

UTICA, N. Y., Aug. 27.—W. J. Bryan's eventful day ended with an accident which narrowly missed being a disaster. One-half of the platform from which he was addressing the crowd of several thousand persons in the square in front of the Baggs hotel in Utica, at midnight, fell to the ground, and although the presidential candidate escaped injury, Clinton Beckwith of Herkimer, a member of the reception committee, had an ankle sprained; John T. Teller had a leg broken and several others were badly bruised and cut, but no one was seriously injured.

NO CAMPAIGN MONEY.

Federal Officers Forbidden to Seek or Make Contributions.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—The civil service commission has issued an order to federal officers warning all employes against seeking or making contributions for campaign purposes. The order is sweeping in its character and affects all branches of the government service.

Death of J. F. H. McKibben.

TOPEKA, Kan., August 27.—J. F. H. McKibben, auditor of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway company, who was injured while on a hunting trip near New Castle, Colo., died at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning.

Turkey Must Do Better.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 27.—United States Minister Alexander W. Terrell has notified the Turkish government that the latter's answer to the demands of the United States for indemnity as a result of the burning of the American missions at Kharput and Marash is not satisfactory.

LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

Quotations From New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha and Elsewhere.

Table of market prices for various commodities including Butter, Eggs, Live Hens, Potatoes, Hogs, and Sheep. Columns list item names, prices per unit, and market locations like OMAHA, NEW YORK, and ST. LOUIS.

Civil Service Reform.

"The pledge of the Republican national convention that our civil service laws shall be sustained and thoroughly and honestly enforced, and extended wherever practicable, is in keeping with the position of the party for the present year and will be faithfully observed."

Fatal Collision of Bicycles.

DANVILLE, Ky., Aug. 26.—At Junction City last night Oscar Patterson of Ewell, Tenn., and Dr. William B. Hunt of Shelby City, collided while riding their bicycles at a high rate of speed and Patterson received a concussion of the brain, which caused his death at 8 o'clock this morning.

Gordon Out of Politics.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—General John B. Gordon, United States Senator from Georgia, declined to-day to talk on politics or on the financial issue now before the people, saying that he was practically out of politics and would absolutely retire from political life at the end of his present term.