# MEN WHO HAVE DESERTED BRYAN FOR MCKINLEY

#### WASHINGTON WHEELS INTO LINE ON EXPANSION

Colonel Frank Wilkeson, formerly Populist member of the legislature of the state of Washington, and who was one time associate editor of the New York Sun, has rejected Bryanism. He says: "I am an expansionist of the most extreme type and believe in holding the Philippine Islands for commercial reasons as well as a military and naval base. I have paid taxes for thirty years to establish ea tern manufacturing industry,-paid even under angry protest, because I lived in a region remote from all possibility of profitable manufacture,-and now, when Washington has a chance to establish a manufacturing industry to supply the people of Asia with finished products, I am a high tariff advocate. I want the industries of Washington diversified; I want our coast built up and commerce established. I want to see the consuming powers of the market of Asia increased, so that it will consume all the surplus wheat raised in Australia and on the Pacific coasts of the North and South American continents, and this will increase the price of wheat raised in the Mississippi valley, where I have a large farm. I believe that the success of Democracy will directly and disastrously affect my pocket; that it would if carried to a logical conclusion create industrial and commercial lethargy on the Pacific coast, and by curtailing the power of consumption of the foreign and domestic markets cause breadstuffs and provisions to fall in

Hiram Hammer, one of the ablest Populists in Washington (state): I am a Protectionist. I believed that unless we had free silver, want and destitution would follow. The reverse is true. I believe that in the future as in the past that whatever legislation we obtain—that is, in the interest of all the people-must come through the Republican party.

John H. Slipper, Hamilton, Wash., one of the largest merchants in the Upper Skagit valley, and a Demo-

Dr. M. B. Mattice, Sedro-Woolley, Wash., a leading physician and lifelong Democrat.

A. Lyons, Burlington, Wash., an enthusiastic fusionist in 1896-'98. C. E. Bingham, mayor of Sedro-Woolley, Wash., head of the banking house of C. E. Bingham & Co., who has always been a staunch

Democrat. Henry Thompson, Birdsview, Wash., an extensive rancher and old-line Democrat.

N. W. Carpenter, Mount Vernon, Wash., a large saw mill owner and

a Populist. J. B. Holbrook, Sedro-Woolley, Wash, bank cashier and an active

Democrat. Thomas W. B. Thomson, Hamilton. Wash., mine owner in the Upper Skagit, and a Populist. Louis Kirkby, Sedro-Woolley,

Wash., mail carrier and a Populist. W E. Schricker, La Conner, Wash., head of the Skagit County Bank and an influential Democrat. Adam Huff, Bayview, Wash., a

rancher and strong Fusionist. M. O. Pease, Anacortes, Wash., mine owner and a good Democrat all his life

Col. Geo. G. Lyon, Seattle, newspaper proprietor and editor, Expansionist, former chairman Republican Territorial Committee, leader of Sil-

ver Republicans 1896. J. E. Yeend, Walla Walla, farmer, present member state senate, elected

as Fusionist 1896. Expansion. Dr. G. V. Calhoun, Seattle, original silver Republican and one of managers fusion state campaign 1896. Expansion.

J. C. McCrimmon, North Yakima, chairman Populist County Committee 1896. Expansion.

M. E. Hay, Wilbur, original Silver Republican and fusion organizer; is now chairman Lincoln County Republican Committee and nominee for state senate. Expansion.

Dr. J. C. House, Port Townsend, formerly chairman Idaho Republican Territorial Committee; Silver Republican and fusion organizer this state 1896; chairman Jefferson County Republican Committee 1898.

Geo. S. Courter, North Yakima, secretary Silver Republican State Central Committee 1896. Expan-

L. C. Whitney, Everett, former prosecuting attorney Snohomish county. Finance and expansion. F. M. Sanders, Entiat, Chelan

county, business man. Expansion. George Donworth, leading attorney of Seattle. Finance and expan-

Josiah Collins, leading attorney of Seattle. Finance and expansion. S. M. Shipley, attorney, Seattle, Silver Republican organizer and fusion nominee for state senate 1898. Expansion.

Richard Gowan, attorney, Seattle.

Finance and expansion. Col. W. M. Ridpath, mining man, Spokane, former Republican member and speaker Indiana house of representatives: manager George Turner's senatorial fight 1897. Expansionist.

W. H. Plummer, attorney, Spokane, elected to state senate as fusionist 1896. Expansion.

Col. J. J. Weisenberger, Whatcom, fusion campaign speaker 1896; original Silver Republican; major First Washington Regiment Volunteers in Philippines; delegate to Republican state convention 1900; present colonel Washington State National Guard. Expansion.

D. G. Haight, business man, Aberdeen, life-long Democrat. Expan-

Col. J. J. Tolkas, Aberdeen, merchant, life-long Democrat. Expan-

Mark Payette, Aberdeen, merchant. Expansion. I. C. Crowtherx, Aberdeen, retired. Expansion.

H. L. Blanchard, Chimacum, Jefferson county, former member board county commissioners, life-long Democrat; now president State Dairy Association, Expansion.

R. J. Chard, Port Townsend, merchant, life-long Democrat; is for expansion and against Democratic pro-Boer sympathy.

Charles Pink, Port Townsend, former city councilman and appointed customs inspector under Cleveland administration. Same reasons as Chard.

A. N. Godfrey, Port Townsend, former county surveyor; appointed deputy collector customs under Cleveland administration. Expan sion.

J. C. Pringle, editor Port Townsend Evening Call. Finance and

F. F. Marble, North Yakima, elected county surveyor 1892; nominated for same office by fusionists 1900; resigns from ticket and de-

clares for McKinley. John Louden, leading business man North Yakima. Expansion. Judge C. C. Austin, Seattle, former member state senate and elected police judge Seattle on fusion ticket 1896. Original Silver Republican.

Expansion. Solon T. Williams, Seattle, Silver Republican, elected to state legislature as fusionist 1896. Expansion. W. A. Peters, attorney, Seattle;

former Democrat. Expansion. N. J. Craig, Everett, chairman Populist County Convention 1896; member city council. Expansion. John McRae, Everett, life-long Democrat and leading party work-

er; former city councilman. Expansion. A. W. Criswell, Everett, leading Populist. Expansion.

Harry Knowles, Snohomish, fusion chief deputy sheriff 1896-'98. J. M. Holden, Orting, People's Party organizer 1896. Expansion. James Coplan, business man, Ort-

ing. Expansion. Henry Beckett, Orting, assessor Pierce county 1896; elected on fusion ticket. Expansion.

H. P. Bulger, Tacoma, People's Party speaker and club organizer Republican organizer 1898. Expansion.

M. B. Harben, Seattle, fusion speaker and organizer 1896-'98. Member King County Republican Convention 1900. Expansion.

A. Parkhurst, Oriskany, N. Y.-I J. Lorraine, Clark Mills, N. Y.-I have always been a Democrat, but as have been a Republican ever since the regards the national ticket this fall I last presidential election. Think I believe in letting well enough alone. | shall vote for McKinley because the John F. Malloy, Oriskany, N. Y.—I times are better now then ever before. have always heretofore voted the W. Dennison, Oriskany, N. Y.-I was Democratic ticket, but this year my a Democrat until four years ago. I ballot will be cast for McKinley. I shall vote for McKinley this year. We

believe the country is prosperous now want a continuation of the good times. and in the proper shape for us to sup- H. B. Harrison, Clark Mills. N. Y .port McKinley. We do not want a I used to be a Democrat, but no silver change at this time. I can not go business for me. I think I shall be a Bryan. When a man forces himself Republican hereafter. The Democratic on the people as he did you may count politicians are playing for selfish ends

are in good shape, and we should keep plank into the platform and he is one McKinley where he is.

R. Clawson, Oriskany, N. Y.-I am a tainly support McKinley this year, Democrat, but I shall vote tue Repub- whatever I may do afterward. lican ticket this year, at least that is P. W. Copeland, Clark Mills, N. Y.my intention at the present time. Mc- I used to be a Democrat. It is hard to Kinley is a good man, and we have had tell where the Democracy is nowgood times under his administration. | adays. I think I shall vote for McKin-

—I am for McKinley. I voted for way. Cleveland the last time he ran, and got Arthur Wright, Clark Mills, N. Y.enough of it in his term, and shan't I am a Democrat, but I shall do as I good enough.

Charles Lorraine, Clark Mills, N. Y. the Republicans.

propose to do anything that would tend object to that part of the administrato bring about a change.

and not for the good of the country. R. B. Holman, Oriskany, N. Y.-I | Croker was able to overrule the whole have never yet voted the Republican Democratic convention at Saratoga national ticket, but will do so this year. | when everybody else wanted Coler for I don't want to see any change. Things governor. Then he put an anti-trust of the head men in trusts. I shall cer-

H. G. Millington, Clara Mills, N. Y. ley. I think that would be the wiser

vote that way this year. McKinley is did four years ago, vote for McKinley as the less of two evils.

Lewis Farmer, Clark Mills, N. Y .--I used to be a Democrat, but have I voted for Cleveland three times and changed in the last two years. It is four years ago I voted for McKinley. better for the people to have McKin- I have no use for Bryan. I am going ley. The times suit me better under to be a Republican. We had all the Democratic administration under A. Platt, Oriskany, N. Y.-I have Cleveland's last term that we wanted. usually voted the Democratic ticket. H. E. Palmer, Bridgewater, N. Y.but this year I am out for McKinley As a party we don't say much about and he will get my vote. Times are free silver. I guess that is the wiser good enough for me now and I don't way. I am an expansionist. I don't

tion's policy.

#### MICHIGAN HAS MANY McKINLEY CONVERTS

H. B. Stuckey, Sethton, prominent farmer. Satisfied Republicans are right as to Gold standard. J. Howe, Perrinton, prominent

farmer. Same as above, John W. Travis, Traverse City. Better business now; foolish to

James O. Crotser, Kingsley. Better business now; foolish to change. Joseph Garko, Anton Mickles, and Paul Wieneskie, East Lake. Country more prosperous under Republican rule.

Cristopher Clark, Marion. Expansion. J. Warren Scoville, Marion. Pros-

A. J. Montgomery, Reed City. Prosperity. James H. Booth, and J. C. Corbin, Duncan. Republican party has ful-

filled pledges. Frank C. Miller, Ionia; formerly secretary and treasurer Democratic

County Committee. Edwin A. Murphy, Ionia, candidate for prosecuting attorney Democratic ticket, '98. Albert E. Shelley, Belding, real

estate dealer; prominent Democrat. C. C. Reeves, O. S. Shaw, James Lampson, and Otto Tacy, Covert, Business prosperity.
L. P. Parkhurst, M. D., Middle-

ville, and B. W. Stickney, Hartford. Satisfied he was wrong on silver question. Changed his mind as to 16 to 1. Michael Holman, Hesperia. Bet-

ter times. Cassius Potter, Lattin. Better Samuel Frees, Lattin. Better times.

R. R. Gale, Hart. James H. Slater, Hart. Bad policy to change now. Col. Benoni Lachance, Ed-Vill. Pres., Mackinaw Island. Philippine question. C. H. Angell, St. Ignace. Philippine question.

George Wilson, Newton. Times good enough. James Sealey, Will E. Fuller, Geo. Frownfelder, Fred E. McMichael, and Frank L. Fuller, Greenville. Satisfied with present conditions. Charles R. Culver, Carson City. Disgusted with imperialism buga-

Dr. William Richardson, Carson City. Lost confidence in 16 to 1. . Albert Grover, McIvor. Prosperity.

Louis Boley, McIvor. Prosperity. John Jones, Hetherton. Changed mind as to 16 to 1. William Hunt, Hillman. Changed mind as to 16 to 1.

David Moore, Atlanta, Changed mind as to 16 to 1. R. Stickney, Hartford. Foreign policy. John Mackey, South Haven. For-

eign policy. Charles Rosevelt, Keeler. Foreign policy. Paul Suchs, lumberman. Pledges of Republican party kept.

Charles Bradley, leading farmer, McBain. Don't like Bryan's speech of acceptance. Lawrence Dahoney, mill man, Mc-Bain. Thinks Bryan dangerous man. Henry Coopman, Falmouth, mill

man. McBain. Fears repetition of times of 1895-'96. John J. Sweetland, M. D., Mottville. Money question. George W. Nihart, Petoskey, chair-

man Democratic County Committee St. Joseph County '96. Money ques-

A. W. Maring, Mendon. F. L. Burdick, Sturgis. Robt. McDougall, Harbor Springs, candidate Silver ticket auditor-gen-

John B. Whitney, Hillsdale, candidate Democratic ticket '98 for city treasurer.

B. E. Sheldon, justice peace, Hills-

C. A. Sheperd, ex-prosecuting attorney, Hillsdale.

Frederick Chester, Camden. O. W. Halstead, banker, Mason. Money question. F. W. Webb, merchant, Mason. Money question.

John Dean, leading farmer, Mason, Better times. C. G. Huntington, retired merchant, Mason. Better times.

Thomas Sarrow, Mason. L. B. Smith, Webberville, leading farmer. Money question. S. L. Kilbourne, Lansing, prominent lawyer. Money question.

Edward Wood and Geo. Wood, Jr., Richland. Better times. Charles Grover, and Geo. Galitly. Richland. Spanish war volunteers. Newell Barber, Cressey.

James Calthrop, Prairieville. William Amell, Beaverton. W. W. Hunter, supervisor, Bea-

Alphonso Otte, Beaverton. James A. Leisen, Menominee, Democratic Candidate State Senate '98, lieutenant Spanish war. Expansion and war policy. John M. Knox, C. N. Bliss, and C.

Vining, Beaverton. Recent history. Dr. E. Laylor, Baldwin. Pros-Henry Ingraham, Luther. Pros-

Ed. Kildel, Luther. Prosperity. J. G. Rogers, Chase. Prosperity. John Boosinger, East Jordan, merchant. Prosperity. M. M. Burnham, lawyer, East Jordan. Prosperity.

J. Herron, merchant, Boyne City. Prosperity. W. W. Bailey, merchant, Boyne City. Prosperity. George W. Bailey, real estate,

Boyne City. Prosperity. J. Milo Eaton, lawyer, Charlevoix. Prosperity. O. H. Marsh, hotel proprietor, Boyne Falls. Prosperity. E. J. Penberthy, ex-postmaster.

destroy confidence. Martin Newland, farmer, Leroy.

Houghton. Election of Bryan would

Wm. Bonesteel, liveryman, Evart. Fereign policy. W. E. Haybarker, merchant

D. C. Thompson, sawyer, Ashton, Samuel Peasley, produce dealer, Frank Proctor, merchant, Hersey.

Prosperity. Herbert Richards. Menominee. DeWitt Brown, Stephenson. John Fisher, Cassopolis. Expan-

Frank J. Kneeland, St. Louis, real estate. Satisfied with present conditions.

James A. Burgess, prominent stock buyer, St. Louis. Wants present conditions to continue. Richard E. Hughes, St. Louis. Satisfied with present conditions. Dr. S. P. Tuttle, St. Louis.

Edward Crick, Forest Hill. Frank Platz, Rogers City. Tariff. Henry Hanson, Rogers City. Convinced on all national questions. Ernest Adrian, Rogers City. Same

as above. S. L. Kilbourne, Union City. Money question. W. M. Gow, Cadillac. J. E. Henderson, Cadillac, court

stenographer. Olof Johnson, Swedish merchant, Cadillac J. H. Bearss, Yuma, lumber manufacturer.

Ed. Wilson, hardware dealer, Sherman. Henry Bull, ex-alderman, Petos-Isaac Toll, ex-village president

Petoskey. William Dimmer, Copper Falls. J. J. Gagner, insurance agent, Gladstone. Better times. W. H. McDonald, hotel keeper Gladstone. Better times. Fred Falkins, stationery engineer,

Gladstone. Better times John Malloy, city marshal, Gladstone. Better times. Alex. Murker, Gladstone. Better

James Davis, Mt. Pleasant. John Battner, Caldwell. John C. Wood, Caldwell. James Forquer, Caldwell. Fred Fchlafley, Caldwell. F. C. Dingman, Caldwell. Alex. Worden, ex-alderman, Petoskey J. J. Reycraft, former Democratic

candidate for mayor of Petoskey. John Litney, Suttons Bay. George Steinel, Jr., Suttons Bay. Cannot go free silver. Dr. R. P. Burke, Empire. Cannot go free silver. M. Oberlin, Bingham. Cannot go

free silver. D. H. Day, Glenhaven. Cannot go free silver. Samuel B. Owen, Elk Rapids,

Archibald Cameron, Sr., Central Lake. George J. Noteware, Bellaire. Charles L. Cleveland, Bellaire, I. G. Nobles, Oxford, and Robt. Burdick, Oxford. Are satisfied that they were wrong as to free silver.

D. G. Tillotson, Charlevoix. J. H. Edsall, Greenville. W. J. Roberts, Maple Rapids. Isaac Wolf, Luther. G. W. Barringer, Leroy. James Kanane, Dowagiac. Party has abandoned cardinal doctrines of

Col. John A. Elwell, St. Louis. Judge Chas. J. Pailthorp, Petos-M. W. Stevens, Niles. L. H. Beeson, Niles.

Charles A. Johnson, Niles. Dr. Henderson, Buchanan. Charles F. Howe, Buchanan. Allen B. Morse, Ionia, ex-supreme judge, was Democratic candidate for governor in 1892. Money question. Hon. R. A. Montgomery, prominent attorney, Lansing. Money question. William Walter, Fennville. Money

question. Hon. William H. Porter, Marshall. Money question. Chas. W. Gale, Owosso. Our only safety is to vote for McKinley. William Smith, Amadon, prominent farmer. Money question.

Monroe Morrow, Benton Harbor. Says country is prosperous; he wants no change. Dr. Robt. Henderson, Buchanan. Frank Parsons, Grand Ledge. Afraid of Bryan on silver question. R. S. Whelpley, Grand Ledge.

Afraid of Bryan on silver question. John Corbin, Eaton Rapids. Afraid of Bryan on silver question. C. Murphy, Remus, prominent business man. Says free silver would be disastrous. Timothy Nester, Munising, for

years leader of Upper Peninsula Democracy. Edward Skidmore, Vestaburgh, Disgusted with the silver party. James B. McCrea, supervisor, Roscommon. Don't believe in free silver and believes in expansion. O. P. Dickinson, ex-supervisor,

Houghton Lake. Can't go Bryan. McKinley did as he promised and we have good times. James H. Sly, ex-county treasurer, Roscommon. Is for gold standard. David Burleson, leading farmer, Roscommon. Has had enough of

the Democratic party. Bert J. Morrison, Benton Harbor. Does not believe in free silver. Charles F. Howe, Buchanan, Josiah Reynolds, old soldier, Ama-

don. Is for expansion. A. B. Klise, life-long Democrat, Sturgeon Bay. Will vote for Mc-Kinley because business is so much etter. L. A. King, Harbor Springs. Good

times. Christian Pontius, Harbor Springs. Good times. Frank W. M. Cook, Harbor Springs. Good times. George E. S. Cook, Harbor Springs. Good times. George Burrows, Harbor Springs.

Good times. Eugene Ferguson, Harbor Springs. Good times.

## WISCONSIN DEMOCRATS ABANDONING BRYAN

Charles H. Schweizer, LaCrosse, Mr. Hartmann has always been a sound Wis. Formerly chairman of the Demonstratic City Committee and city attorand impliedly endorsing his financial and Populistic heresies, an issue raised to distract the attention of the voter, and especially Gold Democrats from these fallacies the dangers of which were so thoroughly exposed in the last election. The best interests of the country de-Bryan and his principles. I feel, there-fore, that it is my duty to exert what little influence I may command in opposing his election, and to cast my vote as my convictions dictate, for Mc-Kinley and Roosevelt."

John Johnston, cashier of the Marine National Bank of Milwaukee, formerly the Wisconsin Marine Bank, the oldest banking institution in the West, and Alfred James, president of the Northwestern National Fire Insurance Company, both leaders of the Wisconsin Democracy, have declared for President McKinley. Messrs. Johnston and James have always been stalwarts of Lake, Wis. the party. They, declare that many other Democratic business men are going to desert the Democratic party before the campaign is over. Mr. Johnston said: "Yes, I am a Republican, for the present, at least. In 1896, when Bryan was nominated at Chicago, free silver was made the issue of the campaign. I was opposed to free silver then, and have been ever since the issue was first presented to the American people. I think, were legislation enacted authorizing the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, the country would soon go to ruin. I am a stanch advocate of expansion. I am thoroughly convinced the acquisition of foreign terri-

tory in the manner outlined by the present administration will redound to the business interests of this country." Sylvester Hartmann, the well-known grocer of Green Bay, Wis., who for years has been a stanch Democrat, returns from his European trip an un-

ney: "I have never been a Republican was not until his recent visit to the and I have never been and am not now old country and because of what he in accord with Mr. Bryan and his platform. Being convinced that Mr. Brymined to cut loose altogether from the
an's election would result in disaster party of Bryan. "While," says Mr.
to the country at large, presently or Hartmann, "I love the Fatherland as
ultimately I must refuse to aid or lend the place of my birth, I must now as
comfort in any way to doctrines which
are so pregnant with evils. Nor can I of the United States first. I am not a find in the issue of imperialism any politician, but if the people of foreign real excuse for supporting Mr. Bryan countries see in Bryan's election a cutting off of this trade from our merchants and manufacturers, then it is easy to see with which party the best interest of this country lies." Mr. Hartmann knows of two other business men of Wisconsin who went over to Europe Democrats and came back Republicans. One of them is a well known Manitomand at this time the defeat of Mr. woc merchant, the other lives in Port Washington. Mr. Hartmann believes that more Germans will vote for Mc-Kinley this year than did in '96, as they are all strongly against the upsetting of either the monetary system of the

country or trade conditions. R. Winkler, German, Scott P. O.

Chris Bammel, German, Adell P. O. Gottlieb Suengler, German, Adell P.

Robt. Schultz, German, Adell P. O. Fred Melcher, German, Random

Fred Dannes, German, Adell P. O. Ernst Sider, German, Scott P. O.

Gottlieb Hilger, German, Adell P. O., Henry Capelle, German, Adell P. O. John Goetsch, German, Randon

Lake, Wis. Robt, Viersig, German, Adell, Wis. Claire B. Bird, attorney, Wausau, Wis. "We must look to the Republican party to administer safely the practical affairs of the government. The Democracy has gone in its decadence so far that it has been swallowed by the

Populists." George Schweizer, cashier German American Bank, LaCrosse, Wis. Prof. J. T. Sims, principal of the Mosinee (Wis.) High School, is a candidate for the Republican nomination for superintendent of county schools. compromising Republican and advo- Mr. Sims was an enthusiastic Democrat cate of McKinley and Roosevelt. While two years ago.

### IOWA DEMOCRATS WHO ARE OPPOSED TO FREE SILVER

Iowa, and one of the leading democrats of western Iowa, who supported Bryan in 1896, has announced that he should support McKinley and the Republican ticket this year and will take the stump to advocate the election of McKinley. He stated that he did so because he was opposed to fusion; could not bear to be called a Populist, and that he had discovered that the prophecies of Bryan had come to naught. On

E. G. Graham, mayor of Stuart, the other hand, he said, every Republican promise had been fulfilled and the gold standard and protective tariff had changed the nation from a borrowing to a loaning nation. He said he regarded imperialism and militarism as a cloak to

cover free silver. Captain W. A. Duckworth, for years a leading Democratic worker of Keosauqua, Ia. Because expansion is the true Democratic doctrine, and that Bryan is no Democrat.

W. W. Witmer, Des Moines, lowa. Against free silver. L. M. Martin, Des Moines, Iowa. Against free silver. B. F. Tillinghast, Davenport, Iowa. Against free silver. M. Ricker, Waterloo, Iowa. Against free silver. J. P. Kieffer, Waterloo, Iowa. Against free silver. W. J. Knight, Dubuque, Iowa. Against free silver. W. J. Cantillon, Dubuque, Iowa. Against free silver. Sam G. Sloane, Charles City, Iowa. Against free silver. E. Duke Naven, La Porte, Iowa. Against free silver. Hon. C. S. Ranck, Iowa City, Iowa. Opposed to free silver. Hon. John Everall, Elkader, Iowa. Opposed to free silver. Judge J. C. Mitchell, Ottumwa, Iowa. Opposed to free silver. F. M. Hubbell, Des Moines, Iowa. Opposed to free silver. George H. Otis, Monona, Iowa. Opposed to free silver. T. J. Sullivan, Elkader, Iowa. Opposed to free silver. Hon. G. L. Gilbert, Monona, Iowa. Opposed to free silver. Hon. George Scofield, Strawberry Point, Iowa. Opposed to free silver. E. Hagenan, Burlington, Iowa. Opposed to free silver. Jacob Epstein, Burlington, Iowa. Opposed to free silver.

H. A. Mathes, Burlington, Iowa. Opposed to free silver.

G. H. Prenzier, Burlington, Iowa. Opposed to free silver.

John Sullivan, Bridgewater, N. Y .-Guess I am more of a Republican this year. I shall certainly vote part of the Republican ticket.

Barnard Gagan, Bridgewater, N. Y. -I shall vote for McKinley this year. I voted for him four years ago and shall do the same now. I am a Democrat, and when the Democratic party comes back to my way of thinking will be with them again.

G. L. Randall, Bridgewater, N. Y .-I think it will be well to leave things as they are. I don't think a change would make it any better.

C. N. Neal, Bridgewater, N. Y .- I am a Democrat this year just the same as always, but I am not in favor of free silver. A man can be a Democrat and not in favor of Bryan. The times are good enough without taking any chances on a change.

William H. Barron, Bridgewater, N. Y.—I am going to vote the Republican ticket this year. We are getting along all right just as it is. A change would not be any improvement. I am very much interested in Mr. Brownell's candidacy and shall do all I can to help

Byron Rose, Sauquoit, N. Y.-I lived in Utica until a while ago, and when there marched with the Jacksonians and voted the Democratic ticket. This year I shall vote for McKinley for President. The times are good enough just as they are without any change. C. L. Bowen, Sauquoit, N. Y .- I used

to be a Democrat, and suppose I am

counted so now, but in these times I

am a Republican. What is the use of

voting for Bryan and make things

worse than they were under Cleveland? The times are good enough now. Charles J. Bonaparte, Baltimore, Md., always an independent Democrat: objects to the "undoubted socialistic tendencies of the whole Bryan outfit." Ernest Harvier, president of the Inependent Democracy of the Fifth As sembly (N. Y.) district: "Whatever favor is due Mr. Bryan and his party for his emphatic denunciation of imperialism will be suppressed by their

stand on the currency."

W. J. Puckett, assayer in charge of the mint, Denver, Colo., under President Cleveland: "I have always been a stickler for party, never having voted any other than a Democratic ticket. I shall now support the Republican ticket from top to bottom. I have many reasons for such action, but at present will only attempt to refer to one. Mr. Bryan boldly and publicly upholds the Philippine insurgents condemning the action of the administration, commending the action of the insurgent leader, Aguinaldo, and giving us to understand he is following the example of Washington. If this is not treason, what is it? The boom of cannon, the roar of musketry, the clash of sabers—the battle is on. Perish the politician who in time of war opposes country, right or wrong."

mayor of Minneapolis on the Democratic ticket: "I am a Republican because the party represents patriotism. expansion and true progress." W. A. Dobbyn, Minneapolis, Minn., formerly a Populist: "The Populist

Dr. A. A. Ames, three times elected

party is disintegrating and the Republican party will get most of these votes. E. C. Benedict, Greenwich, Conn. When asked to contribute to the Demo-

eratic campaign fund wrote: "I regret to find no party in existence whose platform supports Democratic principles to any degree. Four years ago our state sent delegates to the Chicago convention as representatives of unquestioned Democratic principles. They were outvoted in the national convention which promulgated a platform of doctrines almost wholly at variance therewith and committed an unpardonable crime when they used our good name as a label. Therefore I would as soon think of contributing to a lot of Chinese who have captured our Christian churches, set up therein the teachings of Confuciu pel and, a painfully conspicuous Joss to worship instead of the unseen God, and without changing the names of the churches call themselves regular Christians."