

We are glad to receive THE CONSERVATIVE, J. Sterling Morton's new paper, published at Nebraska City. Mr. Morton is one of the best writers in Nebraska or any other state. He is a man of force, with a broad and liberal education and wide experience, and his personality dominates everything that he writes and makes it readable and instructive. THE CONSERVATIVE stands for all that its editor believes for the best interests of the people of the West, and it will work for what it believes with no thought of yielding. In many things its teachings are, we believe, along correct lines, and it will be welcomed and read with interest by all who admire good literature, whether they sanction its utterances or not.—Seward Reporter.

There comes to our table this week Nos. 1 and 2, Vol. 1, of THE CONSERVATIVE, a weekly newspaper. It is published at Nebraska City, and J. Sterling Morton is the editor. The editorial announcement is of wider range and more complete than a party platform. An inspection of its pages shows that it is under the management of a man of large brain who has vast stores of accurate information at ready command and is skillful as a writer. In its treatment of subjects it is philosophical and oratorical and evinces a fondness for historical data. Its devotion to the welfare of Nebraska is a most charming feature and on the whole it is of a class of literature of great credit and benefit to the state.—Central City Republican.

J. Sterling Morton's new paper, THE CONSERVATIVE, has reached us. THE CONSERVATIVE is all right. It is backed by brains and capital, and will get there with both feet.—Douglas Enterprise.

#### NOTES ON CURRENT LIT- ERATURE.

The Atlantic Monthly for September is a particularly interesting and instructive issue of that valuable magazine. The article entitled "New Opportunities for American Commerce," by Worthington C. Ford, the present editor of The Atlantic, is alone worth a year's subscription.

The Bookman for September is on THE CONSERVATIVE dissecting table and opens up remarkably well. It is all in all one of the most entertaining and instructive of literary journals. An interview with Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson is one of the pleasantest papers in that number.

The Pall Mall Magazine is a constant visitor at the office of THE CONSERVATIVE, and under the superb management of Mr. A. E. Keet it is rapidly growing in popular favor.

The New York Evening Post of a recent date contained a speech by Prof.

Charles Eliot Norton which all Americans might read with profit.

The same number contains some remarks by the Rev. P. S. Moxom, who antagonizes Professor Norton as to the necessity and propriety of wars and battlefields amidst the civilization and Christianity of the XIX century.

The Reverend Moxom with religious zeal and infinite fervor declares that the charge of the Second Massachusetts regiment at El Caney was inexpressibly lovely. Again Mr. Moxom proclaims his belief that "God is driving the chariot." Evidently Mr. Moxom thinks that righteousness, civilization and Christianity may be shot into barbarians or mauled into savages whenever the meek and lowly followers of Christ think the time for shooting and pounding has arrived. Mr. Moxom's method of bringing about "peace and good will towards man on earth" is not the one taught by the founder of Christianity.

#### PROGRAM OF THE NATIONAL CURRENCY CONVENTION.

To be held in Omaha, Nebraska, in the Auditorium Building on the Grounds of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition, September 13 and 14 and 15, 1898.

(Subject to slight modifications.)

#### FIRST DAY—GOLD DAY.

The convention will be called to order at 11 o'clock in the morning by J. Sterling Morton, of Nebraska, president of the National Sound Money League, who will preside and deliver the opening address.

Addresses will follow in the following order:

Horace White, editor of the New York Evening Post, on "The History of the Gold Standard."

Governor Leslie M. Shaw, of Iowa, on "The Farmer's Interest in Sound Money."

H. P. Robinson, of Chicago, editor of the Railway Age, on "The Gold Standard and Railroad Interests."

Louis R. Ehrich, of Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Recess at 12:45 until 2:30 in the afternoon.

Addresses, mostly short, on the importance of maintaining the gold standard and in opposition to the free and unlimited coinage of silver will be made by the following speakers and others:

Edward Atkinson, of Boston, Mass.

Hon. J. M. Carey, of Wyoming, subject, "The Gold Standard from the Standpoint of the Western States."

Judge M. L. Crawford, of Dallas, Texas.

John P. Irish, of San Francisco, California.

In the evening there will be a general debate in speeches of not exceeding ten minutes each in length, on the arguments advanced during the day in advocacy of the gold standard.

#### SECOND DAY—SILVER DAY.

The convention will be called to order at 11 o'clock and on invitation

of the regular presiding officer, Mr. Morton, Hon. Chas. A. Towne, of Duluth, will occupy the chair.

Mr. Towne will deliver the opening address on "The Coinage and Use of Silver as Standard Money co-ordinately with Gold."

Mr. Towne will designate other speakers to follow him on the silver side, among them will be

Senator James K. Jones, of Arkansas.

Hon. C. S. Hartman, M. C., of Montana.

H. F. Bartine, of Washington, D. C., editor of The National Bimetallist.

Hon. Horace Boies, of Iowa, will present his plan for maintaining a bimetallic system of money.

Hon. C. N. Fowler, M. C., of New Jersey, will speak in opposition to the bimetallic double standard theory.

The arguments of the silver speakers will be met also in speeches from the single gold standard point of view by able orators including the following:

Hon. Platt Rogers, of Denver, Col.

Hon. Edwin Burritt Smith, of Chicago.

W. C. Cornwell, Buffalo.

J. Adam Bede, of Duluth, Minnesota.

H. L. Framing, of Ohio.

The debate will be thrown open to all speakers who desire to talk for five or ten minutes each and will be prolonged into an evening session if the audience desires. Hon. C. A. Towne will close the discussions.

#### THIRD DAY—PAPER MONEY DAY.

The convention will assemble at 11 o'clock. The opening address will be by Hon. A. J. Warner, of Ohio, who will advocate a paper currency composed exclusively of government notes.

Hon. J. H. Walker, of Massachusetts, Chairman of the House of Representatives committee on Banking and Currency, will reply.

After the noon recess addresses on "What is the Best Form of Paper Money" will be delivered by

Hon. C. N. Fowler, of New Jersey.

L. D. Reynolds, of Chicago.

William Dodsworth, editor of the New York Journal of Commerce.

Geo. H. Shibley, of the American Institute of Money and Prices, and by speakers invited by the Reform Press Association, of Chicago.

Hon. J. H. McCleary, of Minnesota, will explain the provisions of the currency bill, generally known as the McCleary Bill, reported to the House at the last session of congress by the committee on banking and currency.

Arguments in favor of government paper money will be met also by other able opponents of that system and upholders of the single gold standard. These will include

George Francis Peabody, of New York City.

M. E. Ingalls, of Cincinnati.

H. W. Peabody, of Boston.

A general debate will follow on government paper money versus bank money.