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SENATOR TELLER is beginning to

wish he had burned that letter.

MEXICO affords a living example of

the effect of the policy of free silver coinage.

REJECT every proposal offered for the

new Central school site, gentlemen, if

by so doing better figures can be obtained.

THE honey-headed rumor that Secretary

Nobis will shortly resign from the

cabinet has again bobbed itself into

prominence.

EMPEROR WILLIAM is not especially

gifted as an orator, but lately whenever

he has made a speech it has produced a

decided sensation.

JUDGE W. M. ROBERTSON'S retirement

from the Neligh land office is

probably the preliminary step toward

the cultivation of a Robertson congressional

boom.

BRAZIL has appropriated \$600,000 for

the purpose of making an exhibit at the

World's fair. Brazil under the new

form of government is progressive, even

if it is also turbulent.

IDAHO is being well advertised by the

discussion of the senatorial controversy

in the United States senate, and the

constant, Colonel Cingrett, is achieving

national notoriety which may be useful

in the future.

NEBRASKA'S contingent of eminent

Irishmen is as much divided against

itself as that in the English Parliament.

Land League President Gannon's address

has stirred up a hornet's nest of

no small dimension in these parts.

ROASTING David Bennett Hill is a

harmless amusement in which the

Cleveland democrats and mugwumps of

New York are indulging just now.

They evidently think Hill will taste

fully as well roasted as otherwise.

IN VIEW of the courtesy extended to

Omaha by the third party people at St.

Louis yesterday we are estopped from

criticizing adversely the curious conglomeration

which is to constitute the third

party in the national campaign of 1892.

TOBACCO growing is a profitable industry

wherever soil and climate are

adapted to it. The result of the experiments

in Nebraska will be watched,

therefore, with great interest, especially

as they promise to be entirely successful.

BOULEVARD donations will be accepted

by the park commission until further

notice. Park donations would likewise

be cheerfully received if public-spirited

land owners should find their

hearts moved to this style of public

benefaction.

NO THOUGHTFUL, practical politician

will blame Hill for holding an early-out-

and-dried convention. In the game of

politics the gambler who has a sure

thing never takes in a partner, or postpones

the game merely for the sake of

professional sentiment.

ARCHITECTS are to be invited to

furnish plans for a library building to

cost \$80,000, but the unconditional

conveyance from the Byron Reed heirs of

SOMETHING MUST BE DONE.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 24.—John M. Thurston of Omaha will leave Chicago for New York tonight, where he will advise eastern republican leaders that the alliance is as strong as ever in Nebraska and Kansas, and something must be done to check it.

"The whole movement," said Mr. Thurston today, "has been given such a strong political backing that it cannot be easily stopped. I think the republican party is ready to listen to the grievances of the farmers and make laws to widen their markets and give better returns to the farmers for their produce."—United Press dispatch.

Yes, indeed; something must be done, and that thing must be done speedily. The remedy must not be political catnip and soothing syrup, but blue mass and ipecac. The republican party cannot hope to regain the support of the farmers unless they are given substantial relief at the hands of officials who are in position to do so. The way to give the Nebraska farmer better prices for his products is to reduce railroad freight rates. The State Board of Transportation should act at once and redeem the pledges made to the producers of Nebraska in the republican platform of 1890. It is manifest that if the republican state board at the behest of the railroad managers, who have a mortgage on them, refuse to do their duty, the democrats and independents will do it for them in an extra session of the legislature.

But this act of deathbed repentance alone will not restore the party in popular confidence in Nebraska unless it is coupled with other proofs of honest intention to give the people relief from corporate misrule. The railroads must retire from politics in fact as well as in name. Railroad bossism must be subordinated to the untrammelled will of the rank and file of the party. Our conventions must cease to be mere ratification meetings of the caucuses held at railroad headquarters. Our candidates must be in touch with the producers and free from all corporate entanglements.

Clean, capable and unpurchasable men must be placed in the lead and dishonest hacks and plant-stool-pigeons of jobbery and monopoly must be relegated to the rear.

Will Mr. Thurston prevail upon the railroad magnates to let go their grip upon the republicans of Nebraska and give them a chance to breathe once more? Will Mr. Thurston and his associates of the railroad lobby who wrecked and ruined the republican party in Nebraska stand aside and give the rank and file a chance to redeem it in this critical hour? Let them understand clearly that a hoodie campaign in Nebraska will not win this year. The people are aroused as they never have before. No loyal republican will waver on the national issues, but a man's shirt is nearer to him than his overcoat. The people of Nebraska are determined to govern themselves and parties tied on local issues will snap like the hempen cords that bound the wrists of Samson.

THE ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

The conference at St. Louis, made up of people who are discontented with prevailing conditions—financial, industrial, political and social—decided to hold a national convention and nominate a presidential ticket. This result was reached after one of the stormiest experiences ever known to a political conference, and one which doubtless left much bitterness of feeling that will not soon be removed. There was vigorous opposition on the part of southern representatives to the plan of nominating candidates for the presidency, which disclosed the fact that very generally the alliance men in the south will support the democratic ticket. The northern alliance people profess to believe that they have captured the southern alliance vote, but representatives of the latter resent the assumption. It will undoubtedly be found on election day that the great majority of the alliance men south are loyal to the political faith they have always held. The solid south is in no danger of being broken by desertion from the democracy of any considerable number of the members of the alliance. The new political movement has no terrors for the dominant party in that section. The harm it will do to either of the old parties will be inflicted chiefly on the republican party in the states where the alliance has a numerous membership. It may result in throwing the election of president into the house of representatives and thereby giving the country a democratic executive, for of course no rational man supposes that the new party can elect its candidates.

The complaints made by the promoters of the new movement are not all of them groundless. Some of the evils they point out everybody will concede exist and ought to be remedied. But there is a great deal of exaggeration regarding prevailing conditions. It is simply absurd to say that the country is on the verge of moral, political and national ruin. There is no evidence of deterioration morally, the country never had a cleaner and more practical national administration than it now has, and in all material conditions the nation is making steady progress. Business is not generally as active as could be desired, but the known facts regarding our foreign commerce and trustworthy reports respecting home industries show that business is far from being prostrated. The statement that labor is impoverished is another one that will not stand investigation. But it is the financial principles of the new party that will subject it to the severest criticism. These are of the wildest and most indefensible character, which could they be put into practice would in a brief time destroy public and private credit and end in disaster to all interests.

It is most remarkable that practical farmers cannot see that the sub-treasury scheme, a fiat currency, and free coinage of silver are expedients from which they would be the first to suffer. Of all classes

of people none is more deeply concerned in having a sound and stable currency than the farmer and the laborer, and such a currency would be impossible in the plan of the new party.

It does not appear that this movement is gaining in strength. It seems hardly possible that it can do so with such a platform of financial heresies. It will doubtless make some trouble, however, for the old parties, and more particularly for the republican party, toward which its new prominent leaders are especially unfriendly.

WILL THEY EVER STOP LYING?

The Bee contains a quite lengthy editorial explaining the why and wherefore of the defeat of L. D. Richards for governor a year ago last fall and ending upon Nebraska republicans to get into line again for the national campaign. But the Bee does not have a word to say concerning that little paragraph that appeared exclusively in the weekly edition of THE BEE one week before election day of that memorable campaign.—Plattsmouth News.

The only editorial paragraph relating to Richards that can be found in the weekly edition of THE BEE of October 21, one week before election day, reads as follows:

Hon. L. D. Richards began life as a pile driver and the present indications are that he will resume operations with that useful but emphatic implement for one day only on the 4th of November.

Now what is there in this paragraph that can be construed by anybody conversant with the English language as a stab or slur?

Will the vile impostors and hypocrites who are constantly prating about the betrayal of Richards have the decency to reproduce the following editorial that appeared in THE WEEKLY BEE of October 22, 1890, two weeks before the election:

MR. RICHARDS'S CAMPAIGN.

Mr. Richards carries on his canvass for the governorship with a modesty and dignity characteristic of the man. Reports from various parts of the state which he has visited show that he has everywhere won popular respect and impressed the people as a man who could be trusted to administer the affairs of the state honestly, wisely and in accordance with the platform promises of his party.

His speeches are plain, straightforward statements of the record and principles of the republican party in their relation to the issues of the present campaign. They are admirably adapted to the situation. They refer, with a pride which every western republican should share, to what the party has done for the west in the way of homestead laws, the administration of the land office, the increase of silver coinage, the admission of new states, and the application of protection to the products of the farm. They describe the development of the state for thirty years under an unbroken succession of republican governors. They emphasize the promises of the present platform with regard to the regulation of the railroads and provision for public education. The man who has more than public importance. He renders a good service to men of all parties in branding as false the stories of widespread depression and impending disaster which the leaders of other parties have scattered broadcast in the hope of getting into office thereby. In combating these false and damaging assertions he does a service for which every business man and farmer should be grateful, whoever their candidate for governor. The facts and figures which he employs fully sustain his position and the reputation of the state.

Mr. Richards represents in his life and character the best citizenship of Nebraska. His campaign is a good index of the sound and honorable administration which might be expected of him as governor.

LET THEM APPEAL.

It is given out that the Union Pacific will appeal to the federal courts to enjoin the city from revoking or modifying the grant of side-track privileges which the company has procured through the successive city councils within the past twenty years.

By all means let the company appeal. It has already appealed to the federal courts to enjoin the assessment of part of its property for city taxation, although it was listed at about one-fourth of the actual value which the Union Pacific places upon its terminal facilities in Omaha. We may as well have all these questions adjudicated by the supreme court of the United States and if Omaha has no rights which the Union Pacific railroad needs to respect, the sooner we know it the better.

A corporation within the city that enjoys all the municipal privileges should be willing to share the burdens of maintaining city government with all other property owners. If our streets and thoroughfares are to be used as a right-of-way by railroads without any compensation, the railroads that use these streets for side-tracks should at least be compelled to submit to reasonable regulation of switching charges. But if the corporation known as the Union Pacific railway can defiantly override all the municipal prerogatives of the corporation known as the city of Omaha, we had better let the Union Pacific company assume the entire control and management of our municipal affairs. As a matter of fact they have had that control indirectly for the last twenty-five years without let or hindrance.

REPUBLICAN DUTY.

The possible action of the republican members of the house of representatives upon a free silver bill is beginning to be discussed with considerable interest. Of the eighty-eight republicans in the house it is stated that only about eleven are in favor of free coinage. Will the seventy-seven who are opposed to that policy vote according to their convictions when the time comes to act, or will they prefer, as a matter of party tactics, to throw the whole responsibility of dealing with this question upon the democrats? Ninety democrats and seventy-seven republicans would make a safe majority of the house, and it is believed that this number is against free coinage.

The obvious duty of the honest money republicans in the house is to support their convictions with their votes. There is nothing to be gained by a different course. It would not be in the interest of the republican party to allow its representatives in congress to allow a free silver bill to pass if they can prevent it. On the contrary, it would be more likely to work to the injury of the party, since it would fairly be regarded as a desertion of principle solely with a view to partisan advantage. Tactics of

that kind do not strengthen a party in popular confidence. The democracy is already fully committed, as a party, to the free and unlimited coinage of silver. Most of its leaders are favorable to that policy, though some of them thing it inexpedient to take action regarding it at present.

The defeat of a free coinage measure in congress, due to republican votes, would not relieve the democratic party of the charge that will be made against it in the coming campaign that it is the champion of a dishonest dollar.

It is to be hoped there is no ground for the statement that there are republicans in the house of representatives opposed to free silver who are prepared to evade their duty when action is to be taken on a silver bill in order to throw the responsibility for the passage of such a measure upon the democratic majority. Every consideration both of public and party policy dictates that the republicans in congress who are against free coinage should manfully assert their convictions and honestly support them with their votes. That is the true course in the interest alike of the party and the country.

The disclosures regarding the heavy speculation in wheat on the Chicago Board of Trade came at a favorable time to influence sentiment in congress regarding anti-option legislation. They can hardly fail to have the effect to materially weaken, if they do not counteract, the arguments of the board against the proposed legislation. Certainly they furnish a very strong if not absolutely conclusive argument to the supporters of the anti-option measure, and they may be expected to make the best possible use of it. It is manifestly to little purpose to argue against efforts to suppress speculation in the face of the knowledge of such vast illegitimate trading as has gone on in Chicago, and if members of boards of trade will tolerate this gambling they must expect to suffer in public opinion. There may be, as claimed, legitimate speculation, but unquestionably the greater part of that which takes place is not entitled to be so regarded. Intelligent public sentiment is opposed to gambling in food products, whether it be carried on in bucket shops where anybody may risk his money, or on the floors of boards of trade not accessible to everybody, and this sentiment is certain to crystallize, sooner or later, into legislation.

There is one democrat in New York who can be depended upon not to support David B. Hill under any circumstances or for anything. He is ex-Lieutenant Governor Jones of freight-hauling fame. General Jones has a "saintly" and "deep-seated" grievance, and he is nothing less than the refusal of Mr. Hill to permit him to act as governor. Jones very much desired to have his name enrolled in the list of distinguished men who have been governors of the Empire state, and when Hill was elected to the United States senate he fancied that his opportunity had come. But Hill had schemes of his own, and he was determined to make it necessary for him to remain at Albany, and so General Jones failed to be governor of New York. The disappointment was quite naturally embittered Jones against Hill, and he will lose no opportunity to let the world know how he feels. It is expected that Mr. Jones will take his grievance to Chicago and pay all the freight.

It is gratifying to know, as shown by the report of the Columbian commission, that preparations for the World's fair are making satisfactory progress, and that there is every reason to expect all will be in readiness when the time arrives for opening the great exposition, fourteen months hence. The president, in transmitting this information to congress, made no recommendation regarding an appropriation, but the impression is that congress will not refuse additional aid.

But two months remain in which to complete preparations for the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church. That event will be most memorable in the history of Omaha, and every man, woman and child in this city is interested in knowing that the conference is well entertained. Omaha will have a reputation of some kind, either good or bad, by the time the conference adjourns. We must see to it that our visitors are pleased with the city.

WHETHER Chili has cooled off enough to appreciate the fact or not cannot be told at this distance, but all the other South and Central American nations know that the United States is a firm, strong friend who stands between them and danger from the other side of the Atlantic and on occasion can settle dangerous disputes between themselves. The London liar at Santiago cannot destroy this great impressive truth by his misrepresentations.

NEBRASKANS looking toward the Cherokee Strip for homesteads will probably have time to harvest this year's crop before there will be any occasion to move toward Oklahoma. The provisional agreement with the Cherokee nation has not yet been presented for the ratification of the senate and there are a good many details to be settled after ratification. It will probably be well on toward fall before the Strip is ready for settlers.

Knocked Out the Stuffing.

New York Recorder.

Meanwhile the democratic eagle soars and screams in the sky, and the republicans say there is no stuffing in the democracy of the Empire state today.

Satan Quoting Scripture.

New York Recorder.

David B. Hill quoting Abraham Lincoln and Cardinal Newman in a democratic state convention recalls the old saying about his satanic majesty quoting scripture.

Utah Below the Standard.

Globe-Democrat.

Utah's admission to statehood now would add about four electoral votes to the democratic total. When Utah mends her morals, however, she will mend her politics, and she will not be admitted before that time.

Advice to Iowa Republicans.

Chicago Tribune.

If the republican members wish to get at the real sentiment of the people, the way to do it is this: Pass a high license and local

option law. Those municipalities which do not want liquor sold within their limits will refuse to grant licenses and will see to it that no whisky shops are opened. They will attend to that work more efficiently than ever, after they have been relieved of the duty of looking after the morals of other communities, which has taken up most of their time since 1881. Cities and counties which prefer to license the sale of liquor will do so, and, as the saloons will be a source of revenue, they will look after and regulate them, which is not the case now. Within a year after the passage of the local option law it will be easy to tell how many Iowans actually are for prohibition as against high license.

Base Ingratitude.

Philadelphia Record.

The irrepressible Blair proclaims himself a candidate for the Minneapolis nomination. Blair is rather ungrateful. It was no fault of President Harrison that he could not crowd the New Hampshire man across the royal threshold at Pekin.

DAVID B. HILL: HIS ROOM.

New York Morning Advertiser (dem.).

Hill and his friends have the democratic party in a strait jacket. What they want of the spectacle will have upon the country at large remains to be seen.

Kansas City Times (dem.): Hill got his last presidential convention Monday. He is good man, but the country means that when Grover Cleveland is beaten no New York opponent shall be elevated.

St. Paul Globe (dem.): Let it be said once for all that the attacks which have been made on the representative character of the gathering, or the honesty of its composition, are but the impotent vapors of the vanquished.

Springsfield (Mass.) Republican (pub.): If Hill's performance is legitimate public opinion is bribery, bulldozing, counting out and fraudulent returns. They are all on the side of David B. Hill and equally dangerous to our institutions.

Chicago Tribune (rep.): Whether the Kodak convention will be a boomerang or not is to be seen. Whether David B. Hill will be elected also remains to be seen. The only thing that seems to be certain is that Cleveland is not "in it."

Chicago Mail (ind.): Because New York Democrats in convention assembled have adopted a platform and emblazoned the name of Hill on their standard it does not necessarily follow that Mr. Hill is the democratic candidate for president.

Boston Globe (dem.): The anti-Hill men call the convention that meets in New York today to record a self-delegation of seventy-two members in favor of David B. Hill a "trap convention." It deserves the name, too, for there is any amount of snafu in the Hill movement.

Chicago Inter Ocean (rep.): Mr. Hill's convention did Mr. Hill's work and then adjourned without day. Never was either party in a great state so completely subordinated to the personal ambition of one man as is the democracy of New York to that of David B. Hill.

Washington Post (rep.): The convention has done what was expected of it, and its members will be no surprise to the general public. The great question now remaining to be determined is whether New York will be able to swing the rest of the country to David B. Hill.

Chicago Herald (dem.): The regular democracy of the empire state has expressed its preference for a presidential candidate in a different way. It has elected David B. Hill its authority or does he give countenance and comfort to the kickers? These are pertinent and proper inquiries and there is every reason to believe the ex-president should show his hand.

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