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PLATT MAKES A LAST STAND.

ROW IN THE NEW YORK CAMP

Heated Fight Over an Attempt to Depose "the Boss" from the Leadership and Substitute Depew.

ST. LOUIS, June 15 .- The gossip of the corridors tonight is the dramatic and exciting meeting in the New York state delethe anti-organization republicans, who are and proceeded to say that while it was numbered among the friends of William conceded that there would not be any use McKinley. The result has provel interest-ing, because in the bitterness of the battle that heather going on in that state dele-that heather state delethat has been going on in that state delethat has been going on in that state dele-gation, it was apprehended that perhaps if McKinley was the choice of the convention he would suffer at the polls. But to- delegates abould be allowed to vote on this night, while the dramatic scence are dis- question. cussed with interest, the McKinley people delegates, objected and made a heated argupoint to the open pledges made by Mr. Platt's adherents that Mr. McKinley or any premises. other republican will receive the vote of New York. As the result of the meeting it is found that seventeen out of meventy delegates will cast their votes, not for the New York state convention choice, but for William McKinley. The delegates are: friend, Mr. Miller, has made a mistake in William McKinley. The delegates are:
George H. Neggins, E. B. Wills, G. H.
Roberts, W. B. Atterbury, John Millken, E.
J. Klatenbach, C. N. Elliss, S. V. Cruger,
A. G. McCook, William Brokfield, Generai
Collis, R. J. Wright, W. H. Robertson,
Albert Story, George E. Matthews, W. C.
Dudley, N. V. Fatchot and E. A. Curtin. It
in belleved that this vote is surprising even
for Mr. Platt. This leaves just fifty-five
will be his entire strength in the convention.
Will be his entire strength in the convention.
Finned, Mr. Miller, has made a mistake in misconstruing my answer to his remarks.
Mr. Miller arose and stated. "I did ask
Mr. Depew whether he would accept. I stand here to
Mr. Read's managers were in every state's meeting this morning he again assured to repulate the leadership of the man who has declared that McKinley is unfit for the fire of presidential hope which the fire of Reed are nursing, and which the fire of the city.

But the main tople of conversation to-night is the breach that undoubtedly ex-pointing its finger at me and saying: 'How night is the breach that undoubtedly ex-ists between the three well known leaders, Channeey M. Depew, T. C. Platt and Warner Miller. To the observant looker on this afternoon it was apparent that Mr. Platt had laid a trap for Miller, into which he was tumbled by his own friends when they rought to put him against Mr. Platt. The result was that Mr. Platt and Warner for their chief (lashed) and who stood for their chief (lashed) and in some of the most violent language that who stood for their chief, lashed and buffeted Mr. Miller, Mr. Miller denounced Mr. Platt. Mr. Depew suavely told Mr. Miller that he had mistaken his (Depew's) attitude, and Miller told Depew as politely as he could, that he was a prevaricator and had purposely misled him. The arena for the battle had been ar-

The arena for the battle had been ar-ranged with the greatest care. When Mr. Depew stepped to the chair he faced a small circle of delegates, three deep. Right in the center sat Thurlow Weed Barnes and Edward Lauterbach. To the right sat War-ner Miller, surrounded by about ten or fifteen McKinley adherents. In the second row on the right sat Platt and just in front of him John Raines, of excise fame, sat leaning forward awaiting the time when he could attack Miller. could attack Miller.

MILLER FALLS INTO THE TRAP. Miller seemed to apprehend trouble, but was evidently not prepared for the with-drawal of Depew from the race with Plati for the chairmanship of the delegation. The preliminary sparing being over, Mr. Depew stated that he had misunderstood Mr. Mil-

noon gave this statement to the Associated This is not a question of men. The Dissatisfied Crowd Find Themselves in a Very Small Minority. WARNER MILLER ATTACKS TOM PLATT WARNER MILLER ATTACKS TOM PLATT name of the next president and has con-ducted his campaign decently, or Thomas C. Plait, who has repeatedly blackguarded and outraged the personality of the nominee of the convention. The vote of the delegates this afternoon will demonstrate how they want the attitude of New York state under-

Shortly after 2 o'clock the delegation ST. LOUIS, June 15 .- Henry Cabot Lodge. met again and at once Mr. Sutherland made Joseph Manley, State Insurance Commisa motion for the admission of the press. sioner Carr and other Maine workers were This was carried and Mr. Depew asked the gation, the result of which, succinctly stated. Is the throwing down of the gauntlet by the anti-organization republicaus, who are South Carolina, Florida, West Virginia and New York colored men, and announced that nated." he had received assurances from them of

ment in favor of his own rights in the

The matter was noted on the minutes, and occupy any other place in this body or to have any other honor except that of pre-

faction of the Missouri delegation, owing faction of the Missouri delegation, owing to the fact that Mr Hanna is supposed to be treating with Chauncey I. Filley, had boldly announced that they were through with McKinley, took down his pictures and

Not Give Up the Fight.

ley and Declares for the

Man from Maine.

The fire of presidential hope which the friends of Reed are nursing, and which seemed to have been cooled to ashes by office. I cannot stand under his banner. 1 Manley's interview, was today again fanned to flame. Massachusetts was the promoter canbol go shenty forward with the word pointing its finger at me and saying: 'How can you vote for a man whose ability you have questioned.' I regret, Mr. Chairman, that you will not accept the office. I for one will not follow the leadership of Platt.'' BARNES ROASTS MILLER. Mr. Thurlow Weed Barnes, then standing It was announced that Lodge's declara-tion for the "maintenance of existing gold standard," and opposition to free coinage in some of the most violent language that has been heard, while the majority of the delegates applauded. of silver except by international agreement, had been formally adopted by Reed, and he "This man," he said, "who was elected to represent the state of New York as pre-fering the candidacy of Levi P. Morton has

was to put it forward as his platform and standard on which he would ask the support standard on which he would ask the support of delegates. The Massachusetts delegation also decided to vote as a unit on all questions in the convention. After having formally voted its support to the gold plank mentioned, the delegation commenced an organized canvass to secure support for the plank by appor-tioning among themselves representatives of all states and territories on the resolutions committee, except Massachusetts, each man turned over to William McKinley. "Why, who is the traitor? (Cries of "Miller, Mil-ler.") What is the issue? Why, it is Mil-ler against Platt and that alone. The people "Why ommittee, except Massachusetts, each man eing assigned one or more members of "That's the issue. That's it, a traitor against a republican," should Delegate Althe resolutions committee to interview and endeavor to pledge to the fleed plank. This work is to be done today and another meeting is to be held later to compare notes and Then Senator John Raines arose and in scathing terms denounced Miller. He said: report on rules.

MASSACHUSETTS GOES FOR GOLD. "Now the man is placing himself in the position he coveted. Shall we choose a re-

Deserting the McKinley Ranks.

post of national committeeman at today's

meeting of the Missouri delegation. The bitter fight which has been waged between

followers making desperate assertions, and a shower of McKinley buttons littered the

streets when the thousand or more members

Since the meeting of the Missouri delega-tion all sorts of rumors have been affoat

The Merchants' League club paraded the

members may have something more

streets tonight, cheering loudly for Reed. This is a strictly Filley organization and

THEY WANT M'KINLEY AND SILVER.

Colorado Republicans Insist on Their

Demands for a Free Coinage Plank.

ton, editor of the Denver Republican, ar-

rived this morning. "All the delegates from

Wyoming and South Dakota," he said, "are

tection, for bimetallism particularly. They

ST. LOUIS, June 15 .- Mr. William Staple-

than bitter feeling to urge them on.

but investigation fails to confirm them.

saying, in his characteristic way:

othing to say.

vanquishing of their favorite.

publican or a kicker-a chronic kicker from Hirkimer; a man whose place is never known, who was never faithful to any or stated that he had misunderstood Mr. Mil-ler's statement about the chairmanship, and that he had decided to withdraw. This sud-den change gave Mr. Miller's adherents such a shock that they at once fell into the trap laid for them. Without a candi-date they naturally thought of Miller, and before the latter, perceiving the trap, could stop it, General McCook had proposed his

REED MEN HARD AT WORK Has Promises from Thirieen States to Insist on Single Standard. ST. LOUIS, June 15 .- Mr. Platt, Mr. Laut-Concede Their Task is Hopeless, but Will rbach, Mr. Depow, Mr. Hackett and Mr. Fassett were in Mr. Plati's room this norning just after a late breakfast, when the Maryland delegation arrived and ansounced that they would stand by Mr. ROUNDING UP THE COLORED BRETHREN Platt's proposition to insert the word gold in the platform. Chairman Hackett of the New York committee said, when this oc Kerens Faction of the Missouri Delecurred: "Well, that's thirteen states, just as many as they started the union with " gates Breaks Away from McKinas many as they started the union with After the withdrawal of the delegation Mr. Platt tacitly admitted that the issue for which New York was now fighting was heartly in favor of Morton. The delega-tion would show its loyalty to its candidate.

but would make its strongest light for the maintenance of the present gold standard. extremely active this morning and yet Morton is the gold candidate and his plat Said Mr. Platt this merning: "Governor form since his candidacy was promoted has een for the use of the word "gold" in the latform. Therefore, if we win this fight Senator Lodge had a conference with the outh Carolina, Florida, West Virginia and We shall have won a partial victory for Governor Morton, even if he is not nomi-

Mr. Lauterbach said this morning when plank was finally formulated at the conactive support for Reed and a pledge of missionary work for today. He said the colored southern delegates have been badly treated by the McKinley managers. They were promised very great consideration, and received hone. The majority of them have declared for Mr. Reed for the majority of them have

received none. The majority of them have declared for Mr. Reed. A significant fact in this connection is that Caleb Simms of New York, a promi-nent Platt colored man, and an instructed alternate for Morton, was one of the lead-res in the movement of the colored men toward Reed. In addition to this movement, the Kerens faction of the Missouri delegation, owing to the fact that Mr. Hanna is supposed to be treating with Chauncey I. Filley, had beding to the fact that they were through Mr. McKinley. Of course, I appreciation the Course I appreciation and defeat bodily announced that they were through the Missouri delegation, owing to the fact that they were the through the Missouri delegation, owing to the fact that they were the through the Course I appreciation and defeat the Missouri delegation, owing to the fact that they were the through the Missouri delegation of the Missouri delegation the through the Missouri delegation the through the Missouri delegation of the Missouri delegation the the the the the the Missouri delegation the convention might turn a the the Missouri delegation of the Course I appreciation to the fact that they were through the Missouri delegation the through the Missouri delegation of the course I appreciation and defeat the Missouri delegation of the course I appreciate that bodily announced that they were through

the toward some other condition and defeat Mr. McKinley. Of course, I appreciate that his managers are shrewd enough to seek cover." Mr. Platt had representatives out in all parts of the city this morning and his call-ers were many. Mr. Lodge, who is managing with vigor the Reed campaign, called early with vigor the Reed campaign, called early this for the day and announced that he had been We force the year of cold silver and

with vigor the Reed campaign, called early in the day and announced that he had been practically notified by the Hanna people that he would not be allowed to dictate terms all to be knot on a parity of values. We also fractement of necessary haves to accomplish the purpose. We also fractor the use of silver as international money, either through an and administration." We also fractor the use of silver as international money, either through and much to do with putting new vitality into the current ratio, or by concurrent egislation by the leading nations to accomplish the same purpose. That pending such artingements, which for the gold standard, said today that he considered the battle as practically won, "We have been actively at work all day," he said, "and have received so many assurances that we cannot longer doubt the succonsidered the battle is twork all day." We have been actively at work all day." he said, "and have received so many assur-ances that we cannot longer doubt the suc-cess of our movement. The eastern states are all coming into line and many of the western states as well. We have assur-ances from more than twenty state delega-tions already that they will stand by us, many being the states most largely repre-sented in the convention." the state is a state in the convention." free coinage of silver. The leaders in the middle west offered the plank which follows, and which was substitute to the plank western states as well, we have assur-tions already that they will stand by us, many being the states most largely repre-sented in the convention."

"Will the word gold be used?" "To be sure. The object of the movement is to secure an unequivocal declaration for the gold standard. There will be no evasion or coupy ocation."

committee. This is the resolution: The republican party is unreservedly for sound money. It caused the enactment of the law providing for the resumption of specie payments in 1573. Since then every dollar has been as good as gold. We are unalterably opposed to every measure cal-culated to debase our currency or impair the credit of our country. We are therefore opposed to the free or equivocation." In reply to a question as to whether Mr. Hanna acquiesced, Mr. Lodge said very sig-nificantly that he had not seen him nor con-sulted with him today. The Massachusetts delegation is making

culated to debase our currency or impair the credit of our country. We are, therefore, opposed to the free and unlimited coinage of silver except by international agreement, which we favor, and until such agreement can be obtained the existing gold standard should be preserved. We favor the use of silver as currency, but to the extent only that its parity with gold can be maintained, and we favor all measures designed to main-tain inviolable the money of the United States, whether coin or paper, at the standard of the most enlightened nations of the earth. GOLD HAS & MAJORITY. a systematic canvass of all delegations to escertain the exact sentiment on the propo-Subsective set is a set of the convention will be made on the floor of the convention by a Massachusetts delegate to be convention plank declaring for the existing gold standgold plank in the platform unless the reso- international agreement.

GOLD HAS A MAJORITY.

short, emphatic declaration, and their



go sweeping by, the streets surge with people ings and liberties for which they fought. A grateful government should ungrudg-ingly and gladly contribute of its revenues to fulfill the pledges made in the dark days of the country's peril and we de-mand that the pension laws shall be con-strued and executed so as to protect sol-diers in their rights and to make less diffi-cult than now the adjudication of their claims. borne along in resistless streams, while the

lating. We denounce the practice in the pension urgan of reducing pensions and arbitra-ity dropping names from the rolls, so ecklossly and unjustly carried on by the resent administration, as subversive of he rights of soldiers and descring of he severest condemnation of the Ameri-an neous

Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, president of the Woman's Republican Association of the United States, with a party of republican ladies, is at the Lindell. They are asking for a recognition of woman's work for the republican party. Mrs. Foster said: "The Industrial distresses of the last few years have taught women the benefits of protoc-tion. It has been a bitter lesson, but an effective one. These women will support the republican ticket. While all the mem-

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• Probably silver, • Probably gold. Lowell of New Jersey and the New England delegates have been doing missionary work today among the members of the com-

nance of a gold standard except through an mittee on resolutions in the interest of a strong shipping plank in the platform.

hotel corridors are choked with a jostling, pushing mass of humanity. It is estimated that 75,000 strangers are the guests of the Mound City tonight. The Southern and Flanters hotels, where the headquarters of the principal delegations are located, were througed to the doors all day. Bands played in the rotundas and kept the crowds that pushed their way up and down the broad marble staircases until they seemed to creak under their burdens in a good humor. while delegations met and leaders conferred behind closed doors as to the final details. The most remarkable feature about the convention so far has been the absence of bad blood among the partisans of the verticus candidates. The triumph of Mc-Kinley has been so complete thus far that his friends can afford to be magnanimous and his opponents can do nothing but ac-quiesce in the ascertained will of the ma-jority. The partisans of Reed, Quay, Morton and Allison still wear their buttons and are as staunch as ever in their loyalty, but they realize the hoplessness of making shricking or offensive demonstrations in favor of their champion and the managers of the anti-McKinley candidates have prac-tically sheathed their swords. This does

not mean that they have abandoned the field, with the exception of Governor Bradley of Kentucky, who dropped out last night. The names of the other candidates will be presented and voted for and will probably poll their full strength ladged the Read men reday full strength. Indeed, the Reed men today have labored assiduously to rally the followers of the Maine man. They have ap-pealed to his friends to go down with colors flying. So, too, with the colors of Morton, Allison and Quay. But no one ventures to suggest the possibility of McKinley's defeat.

STRUGGLE IS ON GOLD.

The real struggle that is going on is over The real struggle that is going on is over the financial plank in the platform. Beyond the disputes in the various delegations over the supremacy of men and factions, it is almost the sole subject of plots and coun-terplots. It is the real battle ground. In phrase end word it is all impertant. Upon taril, upon all other questions, there is substantial unity, but the differences upon it are as wide as the continent. Free silver and gold are as irreconcilable as the poles and the radical silver men are prepared to and the radical silver men are prepared to stake their all upon the issue. Knowing they cannot succeed, they are even now formulating the manifesto that will sever their allegiance to the republican party. But these radical silver men are largely out-numbered. Headed by Senator Teller of Colorado, they have only mustered five states and perhaps one territory—less than fifty delegates in all, out of a total of over 900. The rea' struggle is between those in favor of a bold declaration for the mainte-

stop it. General McCook had proposed his The Platt men were so jubilant that they laughed aloud:

"Ha! Ha! Now we have him!" "That's the issue-Miller against Platt! "Now we'll fix him!"

Stepping out of the circle, tall, gaunt Thurlow Weed Barnes turned and faced Miller, who had given beness turned and faced Miller, who had given bepow the lie about Lis acceptance of the office of chairman. Towering over the old man like an avenging angel, he gave him a laghing of bitter words that made even the Platt adherents who surrounded the delegates, look on with amazement. "Sneak," "coward," "crawler," "traitor.

"jayhawker" and "backslider" were a few of the expressions used, and Miller sank back in the seat with his limbs trembling. his face white with anger, but his lips sealed. Following Barnes came John Raines, and he was even more bitterly personal in his remarks

"Betrayer of trust," "liar," "kicker" and "serpent in the campaign" were some of Raines' expressions, and he would stride

After this sensational meeting had ended Mr. Miller said: 'I fall to understand how Mr. Depew could possibly have misconstrued my meaning. After the meeting this morning, when everybody understood the situa-tion thoroughly. Mr. Depew talked with me and made no attempt to withdraw. His cuse at this time, it seems to me, is rather flimsy. I am not disturbed by the personal attacks upon me, but I am disturbed at Mr v's going back on his word to me he added, significantly, "the fight is on in New York and we know who out

ids are." Mr. Depew tonight reiterated his state ment that he had entirely misunderstood Mr Miller's proposition. In some quarters tonight it is said that the Platt contingent has agreed to support Mr. Depew for vice president in the convention. A rumor is also current that the New York delegation may present the name of Frederick D. Grant of New York for that office. The delegation will meet early tomorow morning.

BEGINNING OF THE BATTLE.

When the delegation was called to order it was understood that Chauncey M. Depew was to be named as chairman of the caucus and that Mr. Platt was to be selected as chairman of the delegation. There was not the shadow of a supposition that there would be any opposition. But Warner Miller had been in conference all morning with the McKinley managers and with Mr. was to be named as chairman of the caucus had been in conference all morning with the McKinley managers and with Mr. Matthews of Buffalo and when the double reposition was made he was on his feet

in an instant. "I move, Mr. Chairman, that the name of Depew be substituted for that of Mr. Platt." he said. Surprise was written or riatt, he said, surprise was written on all faces, and even Mr. Depew seemed to be taken aback. "I do this because the most distinguished man on this delegation has been entirely neglected." said Mr. Mil-

There were cries of "No," and a motion was at once made to divide on the ques-tion. Mr. Depew was then selected as chairman of the caucus by a unanimous vote. The question was put as to the selection of Mr. Platt for chairman of the delegation and Mr. Miller renewed his resolution to substitute Mr. Depew's name. Mr. Depew sat silent and Congressman Quigg. Depew sat silent and Congressman Quigg in opposing the substitution, attacked Mr. Miller in a vigorous and most vicious man-ner. He said in part: "Mr. Miller knows that Mr. Platt and Mr. Depew are at this time working in harmony and he takes this peaBut policy as a chance to try to make discord. This body will not sustain one whose attitude toward the instructions of the last republican convention at Chicago is last republican convention at Chicago open to suspicion,"

Before ar. Miller could answer Mr. Quigg. "redrick S. Gibbs had obtained recognition and moved that the delegation take a recess until 3 o'clock this afternoon. In making this motion Gibbs denounced Miller as a "showing bloker" a warker d data "chronic kicker," a washer of dirty linen and a "political outcast," and several other like characterizations. Mr. Miller was not allowed to respond to these attacks, but a recess was taken until 2 o'clock.

Warner Miller at 2 o'clock this after-

upport of New York republicans, but he can never rely upon the vacillating and treacherous statesman from Herkimer, War-

dridge.

ates at-large and secretary and political adviser of Speaker Reed, said today: "Reed's strength here proves to be more ner Miller. His name will go down to ig-

The call began and some of the delegates explained their votes. Mr. Sutherland said: "I vote for Levi P. Morton's friend, Thomas C. Platt, instead of one of his enemies." When the vote was announced as-Platt 53 A motion was made to make the nomination unanimous, but Matthews of Buffalo ob-jucted. Then Abraham Gruber stirred up the row again by offering a resolution to offer the candidacy of Governor Morion. The vote was taken with this result: Yeas, 56, navs, 13, not voting, 3. of his campaign for first place. Sugges-tions of Reed for vice president do not come from his friends. While we do not predict

Mr. Cornelius Bliss offered this resolution: that Reed will be nominated, we are Resolved. That the New York delegation avors and heartily supports the strongest tatement that can be devised recognizing he imperative necessity of maintaining the resent gold standard of value and con-lemning the free coinage of silver density of the free coinage of silver density of the free coinage of silver

Mr. Quigg offered this substitute, which Island delegation, said today: "We are for Reed and gold; we will vote for Reed and across the floor and put his finger almost he and Mr. Lauterbach said was favorably under Miller's nose. Mr. Miller made no answer to the attack and the vote elected Mr. Platt by a total of state convention of Washington: received by a majority of the state dele we are anxious to work for him.

We favor the maintenance of the present old standard and are opposed to the free olnage of sliver except by international greement for bipethilism with the leading ommercial nations of the world. country." SMALL MISSOURI BREAK FOR REED. agreement

This was finally agreed upon by putting Followers of Chauncey I. Filley Are the two resolutions in conjunction, using Mr. Bliss' as a preamble and Mr. Quigg's for a resolution ripple to the smooth march toward the

PULLS A KNIFE ON BERRY.

The Missouri delegation organized with Major William Warner as chairman, and ge A. Purdy of Pierce City as secre-The following official selections were made: National committeeman, Rich-C. Kerens; platform committee, F. G. George A. from McKinley to Reed. The first report was that five delegates had signed an agree-Niedringhaus; credentials, John L. Bittin Section of Sedalia drew a knife on Alternate Berry per and a half. Mayor P. D. Hastain of Sedalia drew a knife on Alternate Berry in the sentercom of the committee ment to vote for Reed, while others were preparing to do likewise. The development grew out of the defeat of Filley for the the factions of Missouri republicans led by R. C. Kerens and Chauncey I. Filley cul-minated at St. Joseph, Mo., May 12, when Berry in the ante-room of the committee headquarters, but was seized and prevented from making a personal attack. The Kerens

faction had been outvoting the Filley people in several issues raised. After a test vote on a proposition to postpone the selection of a national committeeman until the condrew from his pocket a knife, which warned other committeemen that it was time for them to act. They pushed on the angry has been developed, however, that tremend-ous pressure is being brought to bear on "the old man," as he is called, to desert the McKinley banner. Mr. Filley, when seen tonight, refused to discuss the matter. factionists, parted them, and the fight was ended for today, at least. Mayor Hastain was burried away after the row by his friends, who assert that it was not a knife in Hastain's hand, but a silver matchsafe, shose glitter startled the crowd and excited

the cry of "knife."

Allison on the St. Louis Meeting. DUBUQUE, June 15 .- (Special Telegram. -Senator Allison has returned home from Washington. He said tonight that he would prefer not to anticipate the action of the St. Louis convention in any particular, but he believed events would show that the lifferences reported respecting the financial plank had been much exaggerated and that the convention would adopt a lucid state-ment on this subject with substantial unanimity. Its exact phraseology was a which could hest be determined by these on the ground.

Vilas is Not for McKinley.

ey. say they can carry their states with bi-the was vention adopts the gold standard on a "Did you stradle they cannot do it at all-would would yote have no chance whatever. A decline in MILWAUKEE, June 15 .- Senator Vilas spent yesterday in Milwaukee. asked by a Journal reporter: "Did you see the report that you said you would vote for McKinley and that Mr. Cleveland would

also? Is it so?" There is not a word of truth in it. have never entertained such a purpose and 4 never heard Cleveland say a word about it. The story is fiction pure and simple." The story is fiction pure and simple." but we feel very strongly on the money "Will there be a bolt at Chicago, think question. If a gold standard or a straddle

"No sir, not unless the sliverites bolt." against the ticket."

slump yesterday, he said, but there was a general rally of the gold forces today without a ballot, they are absolutely un-founded."

Amos T. Allen, one of the Maine dele- and the prospects are brighter than ever. There was a lively scene in Mr. Hanna's rooms this morning when Senator Lodge called on him to discuss the financial plank to be put in the platform. Lodge announced than we had hoped before we came to St. Louis that it would be. Every one seems to that his purpose was to have a gold plank be looking to Reed as the logical candidate of the gold standard movement. The state-ment that Reed would not under any conor to overthrow Hanna's plans. It was not the desire of Lodge to have a gold plank which angered Hanna, but the manner in which it was presented, and he proceeded to notify Lodge in no uncertain way that could not be forced and that he could not talk with Lodge on the subject he

"If you own this convention, Hanna," he said, "go on and run it in your own way. I shall not talk with you." And Lodge left the room. oping

AT THE M'KINLEY HEADQUARTERS. No Change in the Claims of Hanna

and Grosvenor. ST. LOUIS, June 15 .- At McKinley headquarters today there was more of a jam than heretofore, but there is no change in We do his geographical location is wrong, but we son, who do the tabulating. Unless there consider him the brainlest man in the is some break from the opposition, the Me-Kinley vote will not exceed 640, out of 619 on the estimate of his managers. The with-drawal of Governor Bradley of Kentucky has anticipated, Governor Bradley Kentucky delegates arrived today ST. LOUIS, June 15.—The first threat of a ipple to the smooth march toward the nomination of Major McKinley came late the first threat of a between Governor Bradley and Mr. Hanna, but they are reported to have har a friendly but informal meeting today and the Kentucky vote is counted in the McKinley had been reports about strained relations nomination of Major McKinley came late

tonight in the shape of a report that the Missouri delegates, owing allegiance to Chauncey I. Filley, had determined to break ceived the southern delegations. There were no secret conferences today, but repre-sentatives from most of the states called before the state delegations met for organization and reported how they stood. There were many clubs arriving in to-day's trains. Those from Ohio, notably the Blaine club of Cincinnati, with 200 men in a dramatic exit from the convention hall. line, marched to the Ohio headquarters, and cheered as they passed the McKinley and Ohio rooms.

After the meeting of the Ohio delegation this evening a system of missionary work in making friendly calls on the other state Filley swept everything before him in the state convention. Since then the Kerens wing has worked upon the district delega-tions and today, on a secret ballot. Filley was defeated. His defeat resulted in his delegations will be inaugurated. Messrs. Foraker and Hanna both report no change in Ohio preferences on the

> A. P. A. WORKING FOR A PLANK Members of the Order Appear to Be

the Merchants' League club heard of the Making No Fight on McKinley. ST. LOUIS, June 15.-Members of the A

P. A. will ask the convention to recognize them to the extent of inserting a plank in the platform which, after conceding to all the utmost freedom in the exercise of the right to worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience, will declare for a restriction of immigration by excludcommittee.

and-out gold plank is very marked. One by one the delegations that have been reistration so as to prevent unfit persons from becoming citizens; for one general nonsec garded as doubtful, such as Indiana, tarian free public school system; no public braska and Ohio, have dropped into

in Neoraska senator indiston favored something milder than a declaration of the gold standard, and the delegates elected Peter Jansen. He is in favor of the most ultra declaration on the subject. lic money or property shall be solely for public institutions and for the benefit of every class of people, to be disbursed by

There is a large sprinkling of members of the A. P. A. in the convention, but they are making no opposition to the nomination of Governor McKinley, as was at one time

Two Women Thieves Captured. ST. LOUIS, June 15 .- Dora Donnegan and

Jennie Monroe, said to be two of the most expert thieves in the country, were arrested just as they were preparing to en-ter the Planters hotel by Detectives Mc-Carthy of Chicago and O'Connell of St. have no chance whatever, A decline in continuisam was very apparent, they said. Three weeks ago everything was McKinley and he could have swept these states, but since the agilization of the money question his stock is not as high as it was. In

Dora Donnegan was convicted of stealing diamonds in Chicago and served a term in Joliet. The police consider them the best captured since the convention began gath-Colorado we have nothing against McKinley is adopted Colorado will give 100,000 majority

As far as elected, the committee on resolutions has a large majority for gold in the platform. The following states will so vote when the test comes, according to the dee larations made by members of the delegation and by committeemen themselves. Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Indian Territory, Kentucky, Louis-iana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hamp-shire, New York, New Jersey, North Da-Kota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin, Total, 25. Then there are several states which are

against the free coinage of silver, but which object to the word "gold" in the platform and want a declaration for sound money. These states are: Iowa, Kansas, Michigan and South Carolina. Florida and the deadlock in the District

of Columbia will both result in the selection of gold men. The out-and-out silver men will come from the following states and rritories: Arizona, Colorado, California, aho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Utah and Wyoming. There are some states and territories yet

to make their selections, some believed to be for gold and others for silver, but they will not change the complexion of the committee. It shows that there is a substan-tial majority for gold, and it cannot be doubted that a gold plank will be reported to the convention. General Grosvenor of Ohio said this morn-

'We know that there is being a great effort made to force a certain form of declaration. The probabilities are that no one will know what the financial plank will be until the committee on resolutions re-ports. It may be that the fight as to the

form of the resolution will be carried to the convention. The financial plank will be what we want and that is all there is to it." The silver men were at first disposed to ald the ultra gold men in securing the straightest kind of a declaration, but there a dramatic exit from the convention hall, but a count up to date finds a small number of waverers, and the probability that

there would be representatives of all dele-gations left on the floor makes the proposed grandstand play seem a little doubtful as to the effect. There is a disposition toward moderation among some very prominent silver men, which may make the vote less pretentious than advertised.

FORAKER WILL BE CHAIRMAN.

Senator Foraker will unquestionably be the Ohio member of the committee on resolutions, and it is equally probable he will be chairman of the committee. He has

drafted a platform covering all of the sub-jects to be treated of, and has shown it to some of his most intimate friends. It expresses in distinct terms the republican policy to be the maintenance of the "present gold standard," using these words, thought that the platform as outline

Senator Foraker will be greatly modified in ing all undesirable persons; for changes in the naturalization laws and their admin-The trend toward the adoption of an opt-

aid of any character, to be given to an other schools; that all appropriations of put any In Nebraska Senator Thurston favored

responsible public officials.

red-hot for McKinley, bimetallism and pro- suggested.

460 votes.

The women had their bagange with them and apparently intended to register.

strong shipping plank in From the result of their work today the insertion of the plank they have prepared

is assured. The plank is as follows: We pledge ourselves to restore the can policy of discriminating duties for protection of our shipping in the for carrying trade so that American ships antrying frade so that American ships that product of American labor employed in American shipyards, sailing under the stars and stripes, and manned, officered and owned by Americans, may regain the car-rying of American commerce. FOSTER IN THE FIGHT FOR GOLD.

Ex-Governor Charles Foster of Ohio, who vas secretary of the treasury under the Harrison administration, was taking an ac obtained an importance and significance not heretofore attached to it is evident. The discussion as to the platform has turned wholly upon the point as to whether word 'gold' is to be used or omity the is to be used or omittedword whether the phrase shall be 'the existing standard' or the 'existing gold standard.' In view of the supreme importance of adopting a platform about which no controversy cither expressed or implied, can be had i becomes highly important that the word gold' be used. With such a platform, hundreds of thousands of honest moncy democrats will vote the republican ticket. It will give an impetus to the languishing

business of the country such as is not dreamed of by our peeple. The opposition to the free coinage of silver or any form of the debasement of our currency need not be offensively expressed. The platforn may favor the use of silver, so long as the parity of the two metals is not endangered and to use all honorable means to scenars such international agreement as will safely secure the free coinage of silver at a basis to be agreed upon."

Ex-Secretary Foster added that it would be "had policy now, as against the commer-cial interests of the country, to have the word 'gold' omitted."

He insisted that if Senator-Elect Foraker as chairman of the committee on resolutions reported a financial plank without the words 'gold standard' Senator Lodge and others would move to insert it on the floor of the convention and that the party will be pu on record as defeating an amendment which could not be misinterpreted for a

standard. Mrs. Lillie Deverenux Blake and Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt will present to the committee on resolutions the following plank:

plank: Resolved, That the republican party in national convention assembled hereby recommends that congress shall submit to the legislatures of the several status a proposition to so amend the federal consti-uution as to provide that the right of citi-zenship to vote shall not be desided nor abridged by the United States, or by any state, on account of sex. They will ask to be heard by the commit-tion, and size by the convention.

tee, and also by the convention.

SAVS THERE WILL BE NO STRADDLE

Temporary Chairman Fairbanks Makes a Clear Statement. ST. LOUIS, June 15 .- The Post-Dispatch

prints the following: prints the following: To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch: The convention will not straidle upon any of the important questions before the country. It will be for a protective tariff that pro-tects. It will also be for sound money. This is roing to be a great convention. Its action is awaited with great interest throughout the country. Representatives of the party at this convention are a guaran-ties to the people that its action will be con-servative and fully up to the demands of the bar.

the hour. CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS. Temporary Chairman.

California Democrats to Meet.

BACHAMENTO, Cal., June 15 .- The demo oratic state convention meets here tomorrow to nominate delegates to the national convention and also presidential electors and

friendliness to silver, although opposed to free coinage, makes them seek to avoid **a** specific endorsement of the gold standard. The result of the meeting of the various state delegations today demonstrated em-phatically that the convention will not dodge the issue nor equivocate in language. Twenty-cight states, comprising the terri-tory east of the Mississippi and almost the entire southern membership of the resolu-tions committee, instructed their represent-

atives to vote for a gold declaration. Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minuesota, Oregon and Washington also took strong ground for gold. In Indiana, General Lew Wallace was chosen member of the resolutions committee, after he had declared he would not stand financial plank specifically a gold standard declaration, and to use the word gold so that there could be no doubt about either the letter or the spirit of the resolution. Mr. Foster said: "That the word 'gold' be obtained and 'gold' be the northwestern states, lowa and the Da-kotas and several of the southern states, Georgia, Mississippi and Louisiana, an-nounced their opposition to free coinage, but did not favor a too radical declaration in favor of the gold standard. Iowa was par-ticularly solicitous, and feared it might carry the northwest to the democratic camp in case the Chicago convention pronounced later for silver. The eastern delegates aro overjoyed at the outcome, and believe the result of today's action removes the last uncertainty as to the character of the finan-cial plank. The exact language of the plank has not yet been drawn. ALL, MEAN ONE THING. the northwestern states, Iowa and the Da-

ALL MEAN ONE THING.

Mark Hanna, to whom all eyes are turned, has had many planks presented to him, but all mean practically the same thing, the maintenance of the gold standard until an nternational agreement can be reached, and inalterable opposition to free coinage. Soupled with these declarations will be undoubtedly a declaration in favor of such use of silver as the needs of commerce demand, but not beyond the point where the min-tenance of the parity would be endangered. Senator-elect Foraker of Ohio, who is to be chairman of the committee on resolutions, has prepared a rough draft of a platform govering most of the subjects to be pre-sented, and this will furnish the basis for

the work of constructing the platform. The selection by the various state delega-lons today of their members on the com-nittees was marked by few incidents, save o New York and Missiouri. In New York II the smouldering bitterness between the att and anti-Platt factions broke forth d ex-Senator Warner Miller, the head of anti-Platt faction, threw down the gage

deflance to the New York leader. He de a ringing speech, in which he spurned leadership of a man who had declared that McKinley was unfit for the presidency and moved to depose him by making Chauncey M. Depow chairman of the delga-tion. There were hot words on both sides. Thurlow Weed Barnes denounced the Herkmer statesman, who had been instructed or Morion, as a traitor. The anti-Platt action polled seventeen out of the seventy

votes in the delegation voting, and Mr. Plats was re-elected chairman. In the Missouri delegation, Chauncey T. Filley, who for many years has been the Missiouri representative on the national com-mittee, was defeated in his ambition to again be a national committeeman and Richard Kerens was re-elected. This is the

contonne of a long struggle for supremacy. The situation as to the vice presidency continues indefinite. Opinion does not seem to crystallize. The talk of Hobart of New Jersey, Lippett of Rhode Island and Evans of Tennessee goes on, but does not seem to be regarded seriously. There was a strong belief carly in the day that perhaps the New York delegation could agree on some one who would be satisfactory to both factions, and there was a renewed discussion of Governor Morton and ex-Secretary of the Navy Tracy, but when the factions declared war to the hilt, all idea of New York fur-nishing the tail of the ticket was abandoned. Although the Maine delegation is not ad-vertising the fact, it is almost certain they will present the name of ex-Governor Cleaves. Representative Dingley of Maine, who was spoken of, does not covet the vention and also presidential electors and a ligutenant governor. Frank H. Gould of Stockton will probably be chairman of the convention. It is anticipated that the convention will declare for free silver.

It is evident that the gold plank will be cery explicit. With many of the members of the committee on resolutions not yet appointed and with some state delegations still on the way

here, it is impossible to get a faithful rec-ord of the standing upon the issue. Necessary to the adoption of a plank,

FOR LIBERALITY IN PENSIONS.

Senator J. H. Gallinger of New Hamp senator J. H. Galinger of New Hamp-shire, chairman of the senate committee on pensions, has prepared a resolution on pensions which he will submit to the com-mittee on resolutions and ask that it he incorporated in the platform. It says in

part:

Whenever practicable they (the veterans) should be given preference in the matter of employment and they have a right to demand the enactment of such laws as are best calculated to secure to them the bless-convention will declare for free silver.