

# The National Banner



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"No man worthy of the office of President should be willing to hold it if counted in or placed there by fraud." — U. S. Grant.

## Democratic County Convention.

The democratic voters of Noble county, and all others who subscribe to the principles enunciated through the Democratic State platform adopted at Indianapolis on the 23d of last February, are hereby requested to meet in their respective townships at their usual places of holding township caucuses, on SATURDAY, August 10, 1878, between the hours of 3 and 7 P.M., and elect delegates to attend the convention of the 13th district, and delegates to be held in the convention of the State of Indiana.

FRIDAY, August 16th, 1878,

At 10 o'clock, A.M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for Representative, Auditor, Treasurer, Sheriff, two County Commissioners (one for the middle and one for the southern district), Surveyor, and Coroner; also to appoint delegates to the congressional convention of the 13th district, and delegates to be held in the convention of the State of Indiana.

In accordance with the basis of representation heretofore established, the several townships of the county are entitled to send the following number of delegates to said convention—one delegate for every ten votes, and an additional vote for a fraction over five votes cast for Governor Williams in 1876:

Washington ..... 7 Orange ..... 19

Sparta ..... 14 Wayne ..... 28

Perry ..... 38 Allen ..... 28

Elkhart ..... 19 Swan ..... 13

Noble ..... 15

Green ..... 15 Total No. Delegates 208

It is necessary to a choice ..... 14

By authority of the County Central Committee,

J. B. STOLL, Chairman.

## COUNTY COMMITTEE:

Washington ..... B. F. Buckles, John Barnhart, Perry ..... M. M. Gerber, Elkhart ..... J. M. Ohm, John Koscusko, George H. Lane, Noble ..... J. G. L. Clegg, Charles W. Newell, Jefferson, Orange, ..... H. Harvey Stegney, Green ..... C. W. Charles G. Alcock, Wm. H. Fairbanks, Allen ..... J. R. Rehbein, Noble ..... Wm. C. Williams.

The members of this committee are expected to see that suitable arrangements are made in their respective townships for the holding of township meetings for the election of delegates to this convention.

## Democratic Congressional Convention.

Notice is hereby given that a delegate convention of the Democrats in the 13th Congressional District, and all others in said district who subscribe to the principles enunciated through the Democratic State platform, adopted at Indianapolis on the 23d of last February, will be held at KENDALLVILLE,

On TUESDAY, August 20th, 1878,

At 10 o'clock, A.M., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Congress, and for the transaction of other business, may be held.

In accordance with the basis of representation heretofore established the several counties are entitled to send the following number of delegates to said convention:

Kekulab ..... 26 Kosciusko ..... 27 LaGrange ..... 19 Noble ..... 27 Marshall ..... 28 Stevens ..... 27

By authority of the Congressional Central Committee, C. A. McCLELLAN, Chairman.

THE MISSOURI Democrats adopted a ringing greenback platform last week.

THE question uppermost in the minds of the people of this county is: Will Judge Tousley accept?

JUDGE TOUSLEY, in his letter declining to be a candidate for Congress, constructs a sound platform.

JOHN H. BAKER should decide not to lock horns with Judge Tousley, will chairman Thayer be put in trim for the fray?

SENATOR JOE McDONALD gives it as his opinion that the Democrats of this State will gain three members of Congress this fall.

STEUBEN, DeKalb, LaGrange and Noble counties had the largest representation in the convention at Kendallville yesterday.

Some of Judge Tousley's friends enthusiastically claim that if endorsed by the Democrats, he can carry Noble county by 1,000 majority.

SINCE SATURDAY the heat has been so intense that sunstrokes have become alarmingly numerous throughout the country. St. Louis and Chicago have suffered most.

THE VENERABLE PETER COOPER thinks that Ben Butler would make a good Greenback candidate for the presidency. That Fourth of July speech has given Ben considerable of a boost.

We receive some comments on the LaGrange Standard's figures on the bond question for next week. We have a few facts and figures that may prove interesting to our LaGrange contemporaries.

THE position of the three parties on the money question is substantially this: The Republicans favor gold, silver and national bank notes; the Democrats gold, silver and greenbacks; the Nationals fiat paper money.

IN the report of the editor's Fourth of July oration at Rome City the figures made us say that the interest account of this country amounted to over \$400,000,000. The figures should have read over \$500,000,000 per annum.

THESE are those who think Hon. John H. Baker does not care sufficiently for a third term to engage in a contest with Judge Tousley. The big fight between these gentlemen in 1872 is still fresh in the memory of some of the people of this district.

OF the present members of Congress from this State the Democrats have re-nominated Messrs. Cobb and Bicknell, and the Republicans Messrs. Hunter, Browne, Calkins, and Hanna. The Nationalists have made nominations in about half of the districts of the State. They will probably have a candidate in each district.

THE MICHIGAN DEMOCRATS did a very foolish thing last week by trying to straddle the finance question. Their mill and water resolutions will have the effect of making them the third party in that State. The real fight there will now in all probability be between the Republicans and the Nationals.

JUDGING from reports from various parts of the country, the past week has proved the hottest in its history for many years. The greatest heat has prevailed in the west, each day bringing us tidings of its baneful effects throughout its different portions. St. Louis, Chicago and Milwaukee have suffered the most severely, the former of which reported one hundred and fifty cases of sun-stroke on Tuesday. Twenty-four deaths from the same cause occurred in Chicago on yesterday.

## BE SURE YOU'RE RIGHT, &c.

But it was only the small denominations of these bonds (7-30 notes) that were so used, and these only a short time. The lowest denomination used was \$50. This fact alone would prevent their use very extensively as a circulating medium.—*Lagrange Standard*.

THE 7-30 notes were issued in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500, and \$1,000. In his report for 1871 Treasurer Spinner says there were then outstanding of these notes \$475,900, in denominations of 2,098 Fifties, 1,825 One Hundreds, 209 Five hundreds, and 84 One Thousands—showing a pretty fair proportion of Fifties. Now let us make a little comparison between these 7-30s and the legal tender notes (greenbacks). Treasurer Spinner, in the same report, makes the following exhibit:

## LEGAL-TENDER NOTES ISSUED DURING FISCAL YEAR.

One Dollar.	\$ 17,480,000
Two Dollars.	16,952,000
Five Dollars.	10,620,000
Ten Dollars.	29,400,000
Twenty Dollars.	26,680,000
One Hundred Dollars.	9,000,000
Five Hundred Dollars.	12,000,000
One Thousand Dollars.	54,800,000
	Total \$224,320,000

Now, for the comparison: Of the \$475,900 seven-thirty notes above mentioned \$104,900 consisted of fifty dollar bills (the lowest denomination) and \$84,000 of one thousand dollar bills (the highest denomination). Of the \$202,432,000 of greenbacks issued during the fiscal year 1871, \$17,480,000 were of the smallest denomination (one dollar bills) and \$54,800,000 of the highest denomination (one thousand dollar bills). According to the Standard's logic and argument notes of so high a denomination as \$50 "would prevent their use very extensively as a circulating medium." If this be true then a comparatively large proportion of greenbacks cannot be classed among the circulating medium, for, according to Treasurer Spinner's statement, the total amount of greenbacks issued and on hand in 1871 was \$81,077,440, of which \$215,257,440 consisted of one, two, five, ten and twenty dollar bills, and \$165,820,000 of fifty, one hundred, five hundred and one thousand dollar bills. A brief study of these facts and figures will possibly convince our Lagrange contemporaries that it is well to observe Day Crockett's advice: "Be sure you're right, then go ahead," even in writing on finance.

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## DISTRICT COMMITTEE:

DeKalb — Dr. Wm. H. Elkhart — Wm. H. Barney, Perry — J. M. Ohm, Sparta — M. M. Gerber, Elkhart — J. R. Rhenbom, York — George H. Lane, Noble — J. G. L. Clegg, Jefferson, Orange — Harvey Stegney, Green — C. W. Charles G. Alcock, Wm. H. Fairbanks, Allen — J. R. Rehbein, Noble — Wm. C. Williams.

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## THE NATIONALS.

Their Congressional Convention Yesterday.

Nomination of Judge Hiram S. Tousley for Congress.

Notwithstanding His Declination to be a Candidate.

The congressional convention of the National Greenback Labor party of the Thirteenth Indiana District was held at Kendallville yesterday. The convention was called to order a little after 10 o'clock by the chairman of the district committee, Elder Thomas H. Stewart, who delivered a somewhat lengthy address on the financial condition of the country and the wants of the people.

Mr. Carter said the people of Kosciusko were well acquainted with Judge Tousley, knew his noble qualities as a man, and while entertaining the kind regards and profoundest esteem for Col. Williams and Mr. Bender, believed Judge Tousley pre-eminently the most available man for the race. [Applause.]

Capt. Barney, in behalf of the county casting the largest number of votes—Elkhart—seconded the nomination of Judge Tousley.

Mr. Bender then addressed the convention on the importance of measuring carefully every step taken by the new party, concluding his remarks with the observation that inasmuch as Judge Tousley appeared to be the choice of a large majority of the convention, he begged to withdraw his own name and to second the nomination of Judge Tousley.

Capt. Barney, of Elkhart, proposed the name of Capt. Eden H. Fisher for chairman of the convention. The Captain modestly declined the honor and expressed the hope that it would be conferred upon some older man and more experienced parliamentarian.

Norris BENNETT, of Steuben county, was thereupon elected chairman, and Thomas L. Graves, of Kendallville, chosen principal secretary, with J. R. Rhenbom as assistant.

Gen. L. J. Blair, of Waterloo, suggested that in view of the prevailing heat, and the desire of some of the delegates to return home on the noon-trains, the business of the convention be disposed of as speedily as possible.

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## ROME CITY ITEMS.

The Great Eastern Circus will exhibit in Rome City, on Thursday, July 25th, 1878. This great show comes well recommended as a first-class entertainment, and of course everybody will come and bring their children, their wives, and their children. Rome City has acquired such a wide-spread reputation for a place of pleasure resort that even a great circus will pass a much larger town and show at our city. Let everybody turn out and give the circus a hearty welcome. This show will exhibit at Lima, Ind., on the 24th inst., and at Avilla on the 26th.

Jake Kraner still has on hand a choice lot of pies, cakes, bread, nuts, candies, etc.

A little sensation originated in our place on Monday last. A new telephone operator was sent here a week ago to assist Mr. Owen in his duties as agent and operator. He came from Richmond, Ind., a fine looking, business appearing fellow, and a good operator. Soon after he came things about the office began to be missing, and continued from time to time until with Mr. Owen forbearance ceased to be a virtue. On Monday last a search warrant was issued by Squire Dixon; constable Jones of Brimfield executed the writ. A missing revolver was found in possession of Mr. Graham; a \$2.50 gold piece was found where he had passed it. A State warrant was issued and he (Charles Graham) was brought before the aforesaid Justice, tried, and required to give bonds for his appearance before court, on default of which he was committed to jail.

Resolved, 1st. That we proclaim the right and duty of the United States Government to create money in sufficient quantity both to do the business of the country and to pay all national indebtedness, and that the greenback currency, the same as gold and silver money, should be legal tender for all debts, both public and private.

2d. We are in favor of the national bank law.

3d. We are in favor of the repeal of the resumption act.

4th. We are in favor of calling in all interest-bearing obligations of the United States, and paying them according to the original contract at the earliest practicable date.

Before the recess was taken, quite a discussion ensued over the proposition of Mr. Darrow to make the Wabashville *Gazette* the district organ of the party. Mr. Bender made a lengthy speech in opposition to the aforesaid Justice, and required to give bonds for his appearance before court, on default of which he was committed to jail.

The R. R. Co. are contemplating making some valuable improvements on their grounds here the coming fall and spring. P. S. O'Rourke says he intends to keep on repairing the island until it becomes the most beautiful park in the world.

S. W. Dodge of the Lake Side House comes out this week with a telling advertisement. Read it and be profited thereby.

Capt. Fisher immediately withdrew his name. Judge Skilen will address the multitude at Rome City on Monday, the 14th day of August. Come to make preparations now—Come one and all; come with wagons and with buggies; come on foot and come on horseback. Bring your wives, your children, fathers and mothers. Come with music and with banners.

Several of our greenbackers anticipate attending the great greenback picnic in Clay township, Lagrange county, on Saturday next. Our J. P. Chapman will probably deliver a speech on that occasion.

Remember the big circus here on Thursday next. Come and have a good time.

We will be able to give the name of our candidate for Congress next week.

## ALEXIS.

Though they (the 7-30 notes) are every prospect that the annual product of silver from all the mines will greatly increase within a few years—Rich deposits have recently been discovered, and the working of the Cerro de Pasco mine, which will secure employment to those who will work, enable the people to extricate themselves from the embarrassments that are crushing thousands of men of enterprise and genius, resulting from setting the wheels of trade and industry in motion, and bring happiness to those now in distress, and lead the nation upon a new career of prosperity.

For the accomplishment of these noble purposes and aims, unity of action is an indispensable necessity. Minor differences of opinion should not be permitted to stand in the way of a united, earnest and determined effort to secure for the industrial classes of this District such representation in the halls of Congress as their interests and the general welfare of the whole country demands.

Very respectfully, HIRAM S. TOUSLEY.

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