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DELEGATES TO ST. LOUIS.

Call to Indiana Populists Authorizing Their Selection.

To the Voters of the People's Party.

Under the call of the Peoples party, Indiana is entitled to thirty delegates to the national convention.

The state central committee by virtue of the authority vested in it by the national committee have apportioned the delegates among the several districts of this state as follows:

Each district under the new apportionment is entitled to two delegates, and the First, Second, Fifth and Ninth districts are each entitled to additional delegate, on the basis of the vote cast for Dr. Robinson for secretary of state.

The Seventh district having already selected two delegates at its district convention, the action of said district, and any other districts having taken similar action, has been approved by the state committee. The basis of representation to the district convention will be the same as for district conventions under last call.

District committeemen are authorized to reconvene their district conventions, or call new ones, for the selection of national delegates.

Under the foregoing apportionment there will be no delegates at large, as it was thought best to apportion all among the several districts as above indicated.

District chairmen will, under the above instructions, fix such time and place as their respective judgments may indicate.

N. T. BUTTS, Chairman.
S. M. SHEPARD, Secretary.

Reform papers will please copy and keep standing.

The Omaha platform is none too comprehensive.

The trimming of the populist platform should be done with caution.

Cleveland in destroying the democratic party has aroused democracy.

The people's party owes all its marvelous growth to the Omaha platform, and its cardinal principles will not be changed.

The next issue of the Pilot will contain the full text of Governor Altgeld's speech at Chicago last Saturday in answer to Secretary Carlisle.

The gold standard barrel has been opened and its potent influence is already becoming manifest at the Chicago convention.

Let's see, does any one remember whether or not there was a vice president elected about four years ago, and what his name was, and what became of him.

Horace Boies is splitting the Iowa democracy on the silver issue and a bolting gold bug faction is preparing to send a separate delegation to the Chicago convention.

Carlisle's gold speech recently delivered in Chicago, is now being printed by the tons at government expense and sent free through the mails, a flagrant abuse of the printing privilege.

John P. Altgeld, governor of Illinois addressed 5,000 people at the auditorium in Chicago last Saturday night. It was a silver speech and the thunders of applause that accompanied his remarks from start to finish was evidence that he was addressing a silver audience. It should make the Hon. John G. Carlisle turn green with envy from comparison with the puny demonstration of approval accorded him on his recent effort from the same platform, in defense of the gold standard.

THE GOLDBUGS' GALL.

EASTERN GOLDBUGS TRYING TO INFLUENCE CONVENTIONS.

Jews, Gentiles and Mahometans Have Joined Hands Regardless of Politics or Religion—And Centralize Their Money to Control Legislation.

At the regular monthly meeting of the New York Chamber of Commerce the following appeal was unanimously adopted:

To the Commercial Bodies and Business Men of the United States:

"The Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York believes that the time has now come for a movement on the part of the commercial bodies and all men, whether engaged in farming, manufacture or trade, who are interested in commercial prosperity in the United States to remove from political agitation the question of the permanence of the standard of value upon which all the business of this country is transacted. It invites a co-operation to this end, in an effort to create a strong public opinion in behalf of an unequivocal declaration by the political conventions of both of the great bodies in favor of the maintenance of our existing standard and of the elimination of all doubtful expressions in respect to the reopening of the mints in the United States to the free coinage of silver.

"The time is past, if it ever existed, for any halting, doubtful phrasing to express the meaning of political parties upon this important subject. We must have no platform that can be interpreted to mean one thing in one part of the land and another thing in another part of the land.

"It is important to every business man, producer and wage earner to put a stop to the enormous cost to the government and to all our people resulting from the continuance of the agitation in favor of the free coinage of silver, which stands in the way of a revival of confidence and national business prosperity.

"Therefore, we ask all citizens to unite in a vigorous effort to urge the selection of delegates to the political parties who will advocate clear and distinct platform utterances in favor of the maintenance of the present gold standard of value. The time is short, and action ought, therefore, to be all the more prompt and determined."

Let us ask of whom does the New York Chamber of Commerce consist? Almost to a man, it is composed of this country's bitterest enemies; mammonistic in their desires, cold and grasping, heartless in every sense, selfish in all commercial transactions, pitiless when want cries for aid, blind when poverty is in sight, deaf to labor's appeal, heartless in every sense of the term when the interest of the masses is at stake.

They are the emissaries of the Rothschilds and autocratic bankers of London, who, also, care not for the people of the United States or the masses of England, only in so far as they can rob them out of the small gains saved from hard labor.

It is almost beyond belief, but nevertheless true, that in their manipulation of the financial machinery they have so arranged matters that one-half of the people of this country rob the other half, and the poor dupes cannot see why or how it is.

Jews, Gentiles and Mahometans have joined hands regardless of politics or religion. They centralize their money for one purpose alone—to control legislation.

They care not which ticket a President may be elected on so long as he is subservient and will do their bidding. Cleveland, Carlisle, or McKinley will be acceptable this year. At present it looks as if McKinley had been selected for a winner, and the McKinley tariff question will be used as a hood-wink to blind the people.

Carlisle, the Secretary of the Treasury, has been most lamentably deceived by this wicked combination. Only recently he was sent into Kentucky to deliver so-called "Sound Money" speeches for the purpose of disrupting his own party.

The time has gone by for these so-called "Sound Money" arguments to have the desired effect. The people of the South are too intelligent to be bamboozled by the carpet-bag wind-blowers sent among them by goldbug manipulators of finance.

It can readily be seen why these yellow metallists are anxious to secure United States senators. They want a majority in the Senate. They will, however, expend millions of money to secure the election of a goldbug President, knowing that in him is vested the power of veto, while the silver men are numerically too weak to furnish the two-thirds majority necessary to make a law after the President has exercised his power of veto.

Why is it that our wool-growers are blind to their own interests? How much did the McKinley tariff of 13 cents per pound put on wool in 1890? Did it raise the price of wool? It only went up 3 cents per pound. Why did it not raise 13 cents per pound? Because we have a gold standard and nothing else, while the competitive wool producers in silver countries have either a double standard or silver monometallism. They are using the 50-cent silver dollar where we use the gold dollar.

It is true that our gold dollar, as they use it, is worth two silver dollars. Here is where the 100 per cent advantage comes in. They produce the same amount of wool with a silver dollar that we do with a gold dollar. We all have the world's market to sell in.

Nearly all the world's coins outside of the United States and Mexico are 15¢ to 1. This puts our silver dollar at a premium in all countries using the 15¢ to 1 ratio.

IT AMOUNTS TO THE SAME THING.



The Capitalist—Pile in your goods, paying your interest and taxes; you changed.

Producer—Perhaps not, but somebody National Bimetallist.

This is why the goldbugs would take our silver away and leave only gold in the United States. The monopolists want our silver—are obliged to have it. We cannot blame them for buying our silver at 50 cents on the dollar, when we realize that they are smart enough to buy our legislation, even from the page in the lower house to the President inclusive.

If we could change the one billion two hundred million silver using people to a gold standard way of thinking it would give immediate relief. But this is an utter impossibility. In the first place the silver people do not want gold. In the second place, there is not one-fourth enough gold to supply the people. Again, the goldbugs would make a harder fight against this plan than they would to keep up a gold standard, as this is where they are at present making their money. The goldbugs are working the double cross! We imported, last year, 41,476 tons of lead. It cost 3 cents per pound, including 1 cent duty paid. Without duty this lead can be put on our shores for 2 cents per pound from Spain and Mexico, as its protection is paid for with 50-cent dollars.

If one will give this subject a thought it will be seen that the lead costs \$2 per 100 pounds in gold, or \$4 in silver dollars.

If silver should be remonetized our four silver dollars would be worth four gold dollars and lead could not be exported to our shores for less than 4 cents per pound, because they could not buy one of our silver dollars for less than 100 cents in gold. I mean that the silver dollar goes for the same value in their country for labor and domestic trade as it ever did. It does not matter what silver is worth with us, any more than that the lower our silver is the better it is for them.

Everything we export to them is valued by the silver dollar. If their silver is worth 50 cents in gold, we must sell our products at about the same price. This means that everything has gone down correspondingly in gold value with the silver dollar.

THE SHERMAN BILL.

The Sherman bill, passed in 1890, was the greatest curse ever perpetrated on the American people. It was a deep laid plot concocted by the Rothschilds, and worked like a charm all the way through to Washington. The Shermanites, the Harrisonites and the McKinleyites acted as hired emissaries in this fight, carried it through successfully and won another great victory for their masters—the Rothschilds.

On the other side, the true silver men fought the proposition with every argument imaginable. Scarcely one of them had a dollar invested in a silver mine, but they knew what the people wanted, and, like true patriots, fought the unholy scheme with all their might.

Look the record up and find who the men were that voted against the atrocious bill and you will see they are still working for the people's interest.

HAD A FREE COINAGE BILL PASSED

at this time, instead of storing our silver and debasing it to a par with pig lead, but a small per cent of it would have been coined. The major portion would have gone on to the world's markets and been distributed amongst one billion two hundred million people who are using silver every day. The amount sent out would have averaged 25 cents per capita had this rule been followed for the past six years.

This silver would have brought us \$1.29 29-100 per ounce, paid in gold. The gold would have remained in the United States, general prosperity would have blessed the land, all products would have advanced in price with silver and the general increase in value of all properties in the United States would have aggregated at least ten billion dollars more to-day.

WHY WAS THE SHERMAN ACT REPEALED?

The question is an easy one to answer. In the first place the goldbugs of London wanted it, and were the direct cause of the Sherman bill being passed. After the unorthodox bill had passed, these gold monometallists saw they had debased the white metal and got it down just where they wanted it. They knew that with the bill taking up 54,000,000 ounces of silver per annum, the production of silver

falling off and the arts' consumption increasing there would soon be no silver for the world's market.

There had been a mistake made, but these money makers had profited by the mistake.

With their immense capital invested in hemp, jute, and other products in India, they began to realize they would soon have no silver to work with, as India had nothing but a silver currency.

This is the way the act was repealed. English capital ordered it done, and it was done through their emissaries in New York.

Having perfect control of Cleveland and Carlisle at this time the work was made easy for the New York goldbugs. Cleveland called an extra session of Congress in August, 1893, for the purpose of pushing the goldbug interest to repeal the Sherman law.

The whole plan was concocted by the Rothschilds and was carried out in regular order by their agents in America. The New York goldbug banks contracted the currency in the United States with the result that thousands of banks and business houses suspended or were broke, and millions of people were ruined or so badly injured financially that they have never recovered.

This was done to convince the people at large that the whole trouble lay in the Sherman bill, and it should be repealed to save the people. (?)

One can easily see through the scheme. The English wanted our silver to supply silver countries. London has always been the world's market place for silver. The greater portion of the world's production goes to London first and is there parceled out for distributed to silver countries.

According to last year's statistics the

SILVER IMPORTED INTO LONDON was only 57,000,000 ounces. The price paid for it was \$53,199,000 in gold.

Figuring the population of India alone at 250,000,000, gives a fraction of over 15 cents per capita in gold. When coined into silver at 16 to 1 it amounts to about 33 cents per capita, but when divided with the silver world, 1,290,000,000 people, it would give them less than a nickel each; it would not even give them all a ride on a street car.

This is only one year's production of silver that goes on the world's market outside of what is used in the arts in the United States and coined in Mexico. It is the bone of contention which has caused all our present financial trouble.

How remedy these evils? Pass a free coinage bill, 16 to 1; let the silver go on to the world's market at what it is worth in gold; keep the gold in our country and the price of labor and products in America will rise to their proper value.

CLEVELAND AND CARLISLE.

It is most surprising that a man like Cleveland, President of the United States, a man chosen to govern the people, should allow himself to be used as a mere tool to work for English goldbugs against the interest of his own constituency and the masses generally, whom he knows is in a starving condition.

During the panic of 1893 our vaults were loaded with silver coin. Carlisle, the once staunch friend of silver, carried the keys. At this time the distribution of \$50,000,000 of this coin would have given perfect relief to the whole country and saved from ruin millions of people. With a frivolous excuse he turned a deaf ear and cold shoulder to the pleading masses and quietly remarked "The people have nothing to say; Cleveland and I are running this machine." As agents of the Rothschilds their work is well done.

Carlisle went further. He refused to comply with the Sherman law and buy silver before the act was repealed. It was part of the scheme to depress the people, to force the repeal act and then throw our silver on the English market at a debased figure for the benefit of English goldbugs.

This was accomplished at the time when silver dropped to .59 cents per ounce, and all products tumbled with silver's fall.

This was the time Cleveland called an extra session of Congress to repeal the Sherman act. With his bulldog tenacity and John L. Sullivan braggadocia he threatened to kick every man

out of Congress who would not vote for the repeal of the bill and, through fear, many of the members voted in its favor. Others voted for the repeal of the bill through ignorance of the people's wants.

Such ignorance is unpardonable and such cowardice reprehensible. The election of such men should be guarded against in the future.

Here is where, after ninety days' hard fighting, Cleveland won a victory for the goldbugs, but it is also on record that since the beginning of this government he is the first President who disgraced the high office by trading his patronage for votes.

While the repeal of the Sherman act brought great distress, 'twas better have it come that way than to suffer from slow poison for many years, as that was what the Sherman bill amounted to. An object lesson has been taught the people and they will profit by it.

AT THE CRISP-SMITH DEBATE in Augusta, Georgia, March 21 last, it surprised many to see Hoke Smith in line with the goldbugs. However, it was a groundhog case with him. The Rothschilds had sent orders through their New York agents. Smith must obey or lose his political head. It was hard for Smith to be thus forced. He asked an old farmer from Richmond County, a silvite, if he had any silver mines to sell the government, and said: "Senators Jones and Stewart have them to sell and this is why they want free silver."

The answer was good. The farmer said: "I have some duck farms to sell the government for Cleveland to hunt on." The applause was great, but the goldbugs, in order to turn the tide of opinion, threw several floral offerings on the stage.

I have known Senators Jones and Stewart for many years, personally, and know that Senator Jones made a fortune from his silver and gold mines twenty years ago. If he has any interest in them now they are not for sale, as they are worthless.

Jones' work is for the people. Being the owner of one of the largest gold mines in the world—the "Treadwell," of Alaska, having a vein three hundred feet wide, which yields gold work 300 stamps—the question might be asked: "Why is not Senator Jones a goldbug?"

Senator William Stewart has never been a miner; he is a lawyer by profession. He has never owned a mining interest, except possibly some wildcat stock, which kept him broke paying assessments. He is also a staunch friend of the people, one whose convictions are honest. He is beyond the reach of goldbug influence, which only seeks to rob and starve the poor.

Hoke Smith, in his Augusta speech, said: "We have more money now than we had when silver was demonetized." It is true we have \$16.87-100 per capita, or about \$1,180,000,000 more money than we had twenty-three years ago. Mr. Smith, however, did not tell where this money is to-day. Had he quoted from the following table, published in the L'Economist-Europeen, the explanation would have been complete. This journal shows the amount of gold concentrated in European banks during the past six years, commencing Dec. 31, 1890.....\$ 936,918,500 Ending March 12, 1896... 1,494,429,100 Showing a net gain of... 557,510,600

While this is true of Europe, the same may be said of America. At least one billion dollars of our gold has gone to goldbug countries in six years—about one-fourth of all the gold in the world.

At this rate but few years will elapse before all the gold in the world will be concentrated at a few points where the goldbug banks will have it, with the Rothschilds in the lead. The wise man can predict what will happen then.

Why are the intelligent masses blind to this gigantic robbery? It is easily accounted for. With their immense wealth it has been an easy task to buy the press. No good silver paper is allowed to run for very long in the goldbug centers if money will buy it. For twenty-five years this course has been pursued, and those who have so wantonly sold their principles have become wealthy.

Our gold is going away and becoming centralized. It shows what the repeal of the Bland-Allison act and substitution of the Sherman bill did for us. It has taken the gold from the people. Silver coin has been locked up.

Can Hoke Smith figure out how much money per capita there is to the people outside of goldbug centers and vaults at Washington? If he can answer this question I will buy him a \$10 goldbug silk hat. Pass a free coinage bill, 16 to 1, and the gold will be forced back where it belongs.

COTTON.

We imported last year \$38,000,000 worth of cotton, mostly in cloth. A large per cent of this came from Japan and other silver currency countries. Silver countries can produce cotton at the same price in silver that it costs us in gold; hence, it is not surprising they can undersell us in any gold standard market.

Texas, the largest and most fertile state in the Union, produced 3,114,000 bales of cotton last year, almost one-third the total amount raised in the United States.

JOSEPH K. CLARK.

One of the great questions of the hour is whether we shall pawn our credit with the national banks or not.

Money should be the servant of mankind, but under the present system, with the banker controlling it, it is the master of the human family.

Free coinage of silver means more money, and that is what the people want.

DEATH LIST IS LARGE

FORTY PEOPLE SAID TO HAVE PERISHED.

Cyclone on the Pawnee Reservation in Nebraska Causes Widespread Ruin and Heavy Casualties—Preston, Neb., Almost Completely Wrecked.

Forty people were killed on the Pawnee reservation near Humboldt, Neb., by the cyclone.

Four people are known to have been killed near Fall City by the same storm.

The trainmen arriving here bring reports of frightful results of the cyclone on the reservation adjoining this county. They assert that forty persons were killed by the cyclone on the reservation. No particulars are obtainable, as all communication by wire is down. Those killed are supposed to be Indians, as there are few whites on the reservation.

Falls City, Neb., special: This city and surrounding country is in mourning with dead and injured in many families and debris of the devastating elements covering everything. As far as can be learned at present, the killed are:

EIGHT-YEAR-OLD Son of J. W. Houcks.

MRS. SAM SAILOR.
MRS. SHOCK.
JOHN SMITH.

The injured are as follows:
William Brannon and wife.

J. M. Houcks, severely bruised.

Mrs. J. M. Houcks, bruised arm and shoulder.

Isaac R. Rhodes, very badly cut and injured internally.

Son and daughter of Mr. Rhodes, both severely bruised.

William Hinton.

Mrs. William Hinton, bodily injuries.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hinton, face badly bruised.

Tramp at Missouri Pacific depot, broken leg and lacerated knee.

William Smick, wounded on the left arm and ankle.

The farmhouses of H. E. Lemon, W. R. Rhodes, W. R. Kent, Dan Sailor, Jacob Lichty, Thomas Eakin and William Drugmiller were all blown down, and most of the accidents and deaths occurred at these places. It is estimated the damage will be \$75,000 to the city and park. The damage in the rural districts is supposed to be much heavier.

The cyclone seems to have spent its force at Preston, Neb., where half of the buildings are reported wrecked, and several people reported injured, some of them, it is said, dangerously. Details are lacking, telegraph wires to that point being down.

SEVEN KILLED BY CYCLONE.

Only Five Houses Left Standing at Reserve, Kan.

Kansas City, Mo., special: News of the loss of life and destruction of property by Sunday's cyclone in Kansas is slow in coming in, caused by the crippled condition of telegraph wires. What has been received makes it plain that previous estimates of the damage done were none too high, and, in fact, may be added to when communication is completely reopened. Fully half a dozen towns were struck by the "twister" and the known dead is seven. The injured number fully thirty, many of whom, it is feared, are fatally hurt. Reserve, a village on the Missouri Pacific, in Brown County, seems to have felt the brunt of the storm. But five houses are said to have been left standing there.

BASEBALL REPORT.

Standing of the Clubs Composing the Three Principal Leagues.

The standing of the various clubs in the National League is as follows:

	W.	L.	P. C.
Cleveland	14	8	.636
Boston	15	9	.625
Baltimore	15	9	.625
Cincinnati	15	9	.625
Philadelphia	14	9	.609
Pittsburg	13	9	.591
Chicago	14	11	.560
Washington	12	13	.480
Brooklyn	10	14	.417
St. Louis	9	16	.360
New York	7	16	.304
Louisville	5	20	.200

Western League.

	W.	L.	P. C.
Detroit	15	5	.750
Kansas City	12	8	.600
St. Paul	12	8	.600
Minneapolis	13	11	.542
Milwaukee	12	12	.500
Indianapolis	9	10	.474
Columbus	7	16	.304
Grand Rapids	6	16	.273

Western Association.

	W.	L.	P. C.
Des Moines	13	2	.875
Rockford	13	5	.722
Peoria	11	5	.683
Dubuque	9	9	.500
Burlington	8	12	.400
Quincy	6	12	.333
St. Joseph	5	13	.278
Cedar Rapids	5	13	.278

Bold Stand Against McKinley.

Washington special: A condemnation meeting of some of the delegates of the American Protective association, claiming to represent twenty states, was held after the adjournment of the convention Monday, and a preamble and resolution bearing on the McKinley matter were adopted. The names of the states represented and the delegates participating could not be obtained, and further information was denied. It is said the following resolution was adopted: "That because of McKinley's record as reported by the national advisory board we herewith pledge ourselves to by our influence and efforts accomplish his defeat."