

**The Next Heir.—Continued from Page 7.**

Dolly came down to tea looking sad and dis-trait, and seemed to have put off all her smiles and spirits when she put off her wedding finery. Frank, seeing her inclined to silence, was silent, too, perfectly contented to gaze upon her sweet, young face, remembering how kind she had been a few hours ago, and looking forward to the great bliss of to-morrow—to-morrow when he would claim her as his own forevermore.

Mr. Lisle was silent, too. The hopes of years were approaching fruition, and he was well content. There was a certain feeling of solemnity about the time. It seemed to him no ways strange that when Dolly came to bid him good-night, and clung around his neck, she was weeping. "Bless me to-night, papa," she sobbed. "It is the last night of my old life—my old, happy, girl-life, that has been so peaceful and sweet! Who can tell what the future has in store for them? Bless me, to-night, papa, before the new life begins."

Her earnestness and motion infected him. As she sank upon her knees he raised his clasped hands over her bowed head, and blessed her solemnly.

"May the new life you are commencing be even brighter than the one you leave, and the new love be as tender and faithful as the old. Warner it may be, Dolly, but not more true, for a parent's love lasts long."

Then he lifted her up and kissed her. She clung to him with a strange intensity, and could hardly tear herself away.

"Come," he said, kindly, "you must go to bed now, and to sleep, or our bride will wear no roses in the morning."

At that she left him, weeping still, and casting still, many a lingering look behind her.

Frank had gone home some time before. He

had been stopping at a neighbor's for some days past.

Rose could be heard at intervals moving in her kitchen; otherwise the house was still.

"I must wait until she is asleep too," thought Dolly.

At last all was quiet; not a sound broke the stillness; long ago she had heard her father go to his room; the clock was on the stroke of twelve. "It is time," she thought.

Then, wrapped in a long, dark cloak, and carrying only a little sachel in her hand, she stole from her room and down the stairs.

Passing her father's door, she listened for a moment. All was dark and still within. She pressed her trembling lips to the door, and went softly on.

To the front door, and here the first check awaited her—the key had been removed.

Rose had realized that to watch two doors at once would be impossible; therefore, she had locked the back door as usual, then let herself out at the front, locking it from the outside, and taken her station at the back to watch.

Out of that back door she presently saw Dolly emerge, closing it softly after her.

She cast a swift and startled glance around, but failed to see that other dark figure, muffled like her own, that kept itself close among the trees.

The night was very dark; nothing was to be seen; after a moment's hesitation, Dolly advanced into the orchard.

The muffled figure followed her.

Suddenly a man advanced from among the trees. Dolly uttered a faint, stifled cry.

"Dolly!" cried an eager, whispering voice.

Next moment she was in her husband's arms. Neither saw the muffled form that crouched among the trees beside them, listening.

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**Peoples Party News Bureau.**

The Skirmish Line.

Populists prepare for Battle.

Convention Votes.

Colorado Republican Bolt.

Goldbugs Will Control

Both the Old Parties.

PEOPLES PARTY NEWS BUREAU,  
HEADQUARTERS NATIONAL EX. COMMITTEE,  
ST. LOUIS, MO., MAY 21.

Gen. Alger, the republican millionaire of Michigan, has interviewed McKinley and pronounced him a sound goldbug. This will be comforting news to the free silver voters in the republican party, no doubt.

The Arkansas Gazette, the leading democratic newspaper of Arkansas and a gold standard advocate, has recently changed hands and will be made an independent free silver paper.

Senator Teller, of Colorado, reiterates that under no circumstances will he support a gold man for the presidency.

Congressman Cockrell, of Texas, is out in a red hot letter, scoring the gold bugs and predicting dire disaster to the democracy if a "sound money" platform is adopted at Chicago.

Chairman Parker, of Kentucky is using every legitimate means to induce free coinage democrats and republicans to unite with the people's party.

The Bland boom, launched by the democrats of Missouri, has gone glimmering. The populists could not be caught with that kind of bait.

Populist publishers and committeemen can favor this Bureau by sending in important, up to date news—not editorial dissertations.

Secretary Carlisle has been notified by the Senate Finance Committee of the passage of the Peffer bond investigation resolution and asked if he desired to be heard. He replied that he did but asked for time to prepare a report. The Secretary is too busy just now setting up the pins for the gold bugs to attend to his official duties.

The prohibitionists of Missouri in state convention voted down a free coinage resolution. The result will be more votes for the people's party in Missouri.

Complete information regarding hotel and railroad rates for the national convention on July 22 will be furnished by this Bureau at an early date.

The new hall for the national republican convention, in which the people's party convention will also be held, is rapidly nearing completion.

The populists of Sumner county, Kansas, recently in convention passed a resolution recommending to the populists of Kansas the name of Judge Lyman Naugle, the able editor of the

Wellington Voice, as a candidate for the office of secretary of state.

The central committee unanimously decided that the people's party in Johnson county, Missouri, should nominate candidates and put out a complete ticket in the county, composed of populists.

Democratic and republican papers are publishing many garbled and fake interviews with populist leaders. Gen. Weaver's name has been used in some instances in the place of Gen. Warner, which put Gen. Weaver in a very compromising position. The populists throughout the United States must remember that we have no way of protecting ourselves from the misrepresentations of the old party papers. We have no control over their columns and populists must be careful in what they accept from published interviews. Very seldom do they report a populist correctly. We make this statement now because, as the time for the campaign approaches these misrepresentations will be increased in order to sow discord in our ranks. Populists should therefore be very slow in accepting published interviews by the daily press.

William P. St. John, the only free silver New York banker, insists on the most radical reform measures—the initiative and referendum, the free, unlimited and unconditional coinage of silver and gold at 16 to 1. He also advocates the immediate issue of \$300,000,000 of paper money.

The populists of Obion county, Tennessee, have endorsed the candidacy of J. H. McDowell for congress.

The people's party club of Stanberry, Missouri, invites any speaker in Gentry county, of either the democratic or republican party, to publicly discuss the issues of the day with members of said club.

The free silver democrats of Nebraska are pretty well along the road of populism. Their state platform declares not only for free coinage, the income tax and election of senators by a direct vote, but also for the initiative and referendum.

The Kentucky people's party state committee met at Hotel Enterprise, Louisville, Kentucky, May 12. They issued a call for a state convention to elect delegates to the national convention to be held at Paducah, Kentucky, July 20. The committee also issued a strong address favoring a union with all the discontented elements throughout the United States who favor monetary reform and direct legislation, and in the strongest language advised all populists not to vote in the democratic primaries in that state. The address is one of the

strongest presented before the people from any state committee favoring co-operation on the vital principles of the people's party.

The state committee of Connecticut fixed May 21 for a state convention to elect delegates to the national convention. The populists of that state are wide awake and thoroughly realize the situation that confronts the country at the present time. They will send a strong delegation to St. Louis. Connecticut populists stand shoulder to shoulder with those of Massachusetts.

The people's party state committee of New Jersey met May 1 and issued a call for a state convention to be held at Trenton, May 30, to elect delegates to the national convention and transact such other business as may properly come before that body. New Jersey will send a strong delegation to the national convention, containing such men as Proctor, Wilcox, Buchanan and a host of others of whom the people's party in New Jersey can be proud.

A call for a conference has been issued by the national committee to organize the people's party in Indian Territory. The conference will convene at Wagoner, May 30, at 10 o'clock a. m. The populists of Wagoner have secured a hall for the meeting and will not leave anything undone to make it pleasant for the delegates who will assemble at that time and place. Every county and precinct in the territory ought to be fully represented at that meeting.

The News Bureau will receive orders for Col. Fisk's new book, "Statesmen Three," in any quantity desired; also for any other reform book or newspaper at the publisher's lowest rates.

The republican convention of Arapahoe county, Colorado, held in Denver, endorsed the course of Senator Teller in the senate, but a resolution condemning Senator Wolcott for "his disloyal conduct" to the interests of the people of Colorado, was voted down.

Albert T. Goodwin, the people's party candidate for governor of Alabama, has challenged Johnson, his democratic opponent, to a joint debate in every county in the state.

The platform of the populist state convention of California favors woman suffrage, government ownership of the Pacific railroads, demands that the sale of government bonds shall cease, the free coinage of silver, the repeal of the national bank act, the establishment of postal savings bank and an income tax.

Ralph Beaumont, the veteran reformer and labor agitator, is doing effective campaign work in Wisconsin.

The city central committee of the people's party of St. Louis is out in an address advocating a union of the reform elements on a platform embodying direct legislation through the initiative and referendum and the financial

question in its various phases.

The Second Regiment band of Wichita, Kansas, composed of thirty-five musicians, are making arrangements to accompany the Kansas delegation to the national convention.

A few populist newspapers have expressed alarm at the prospect of the free coinage democrats controlling the Chicago convention; but if the claims of the gold bugs can be relied upon, their fears are groundless. A late, careful estimate gives the "sound money" contingent a good working majority in the democratic convention; but even if the silver men should succeed there is not the slightest probability that populists will go to the democratic party with its inconsistent record and there is no reason to believe that free silver republicans will do so. The policy of both the old parties for many years has been in opposition to silver.

J. C. L. Slavens, secretary of the state republican committee of North Carolina, says that the members of the party in his state will vote the silver ticket wherever they find it and will not endorse the national ticket.

The people's party convention of the Seventh congressional district of Kansas has been called to meet at Larned, August 9. Jerry Simpson's supporters wanted an early convention but were defeated.

Chairman Maxwell of the Illinois state committee has recently issued the second edition of a valuable little work on party organization, which should be read by all populist committeemen.

By the action of their state convention held at St. Joseph last week the Missouri republicans abjectly placed themselves under the absolute control of Boss Filley, king of the hoodlums, one of the most despicable unscrupulous and domineering bosses that ever disgraced a political organization.

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Applicants will be allowed to use their books in answering the questions on "The Tempest."

The examination for the high school teachers will be held the last Saturday of June, July and August. They will be required to pass examination on the branches they are expected to teach.

On account of Saturday, May 30th being Memorial Day, the May examination will be held Friday, May 29th, instead.

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