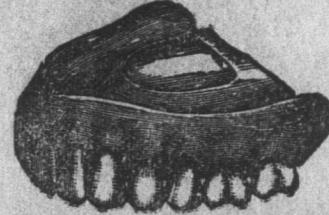


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Silver democrats are going to  
protest the election of presiden-  
tial electors in Kentucky.

"Our Populist," published at  
Rock Island, Ill., has changed  
its name to "Farm and Labor  
Tribune."

Demands for the adoption of  
the Australian ballot system in  
Texas are made in many Peoples  
party papers.

A Populist colony is to be es-  
tablished in Crawford county,  
Kansas. Hon. John W. Breiden-  
thal and others are interested in  
the venture.

Czar Reed, of Maine, has raised  
a storm of abuse by daring to  
pass through Canton without  
stopping to worship at the Mc-  
Kinley shrine.

The Indiana People's Party  
Press Association has been called  
to meet in Hotel English, Indian-  
apolis, December 28, by H. N.  
Metsinger, President.

The Southern Mercury, Dallas,  
Tex., demands that no more  
national fusion be allowed and  
then issues a call for a nonpar-  
tisan state ticket for '98.

Eli Perkins, the humorist,  
lecturer and champion liar, is  
the latest of McKinley's visitors  
and advisers. He is being fun-  
nier than when he was paid to be  
funny.

The California Populist State  
Committee has been in session  
and has laid out a plan for  
future work of which thorough  
organization by school districts is  
the basis.

Almost every exchange con-  
tains notice of the forming of  
clubs for the discussion and  
study of the financial question.  
A great opportunity to do good  
work.

The Union and ex-Confederate  
soldiers of Missouri have formed  
an organization called "The blue  
and the Grey." A dress uniform  
of blue coat and grey trousers  
and hat is to be worn by them at  
their first banquet, February 22.

Captain London, a staunch  
Populist of Macon City, Mo.,  
had to pay an election bet by  
making a McKinley speech, on  
Thanksgiving day. The wager  
was with his sister who invited  
a number of her friends to enjoy  
his discomforture and a fine din-  
ner.

Cleveland, in his message,  
suggests increased tax on beer  
and higher tariff on tea and  
coffee. Mr. Cleveland has pur-  
chased a \$60,000 mansion in  
Princeton and will become Dean  
of the Law School there on his  
retirement from the presidency.  
His proposed tour of the world  
is temporarily abandoned. Wall  
Street is responsible for the  
rumor, that he will establish a  
National Bank in New York City,  
of which he will be the president.

Consul General Crittenden,  
representative of the United  
States in Mexico, has made a re-  
port on the industrial and financial  
condition of that country that is at variance with the anti-  
election descriptions given  
voters. He states that great pro-  
gress has been made there notably  
in tobacco and coffee culture.

The annual report of Daniel  
Morgan, Treasurer of the United  
States, shows for the fiscal year  
ending June 30, '96, Total receipts  
\$326,976,200; Expenditures \$352,  
179,446; Deficiency \$25,208,245.  
Net receipts from bonds sold in  
'95 '96, \$294,164,295. Out-  
standing debt \$1,769,846,323.  
Money in circulation, in treasury  
and mints, \$2,348,338,571.

The negroes are demanding a  
place in the McKinley cabinet in  
return for their long and faithful  
service, which has been unrec-  
ognized. The offset to this ap-  
peal comes from a negro McKinley  
club of Washington, D. C., which  
states that federal and state  
"pie" is preferred by them  
and if it is not forth-coming they  
make threats as to the future.

Hanna has announced that Mc-  
Kinley will in his inaugural ad-  
dress "breath a spirit of deep  
abhorrence to the trusts." The  
trusts are not in the least dis-  
turbed by the mighty '98's post  
prandial prattling. They know  
their true meaning and rest easy  
knowing that McKinley will  
never breathe anything that is  
not first breathed into him by  
their champion, Hanna.

The official reports of the elec-  
tion show some slight changes.  
In Virginia Bryan received 154,  
985, McKinley 135,588. The  
Texas State Canvassing Board  
has finished its work in all but  
nine counties and report Bryan  
and Sewall 288,323, Bryan and  
Watson 79,966, McKinley 162,  
506. Oregon gives McKinley  
46,789, Bryan 48,711. The official  
count by the State Canvassing  
Board of Nebraska shows  
Bryan 115,625, McKinley 102,565.  
All state officers were elected on  
the fusion ticket by a plurality  
of 18,000 or more.

From all that can be heard of  
it the report of J. Sterling Morton,  
Secretary of Agriculture, promises  
to be a most surprising document.  
He has gotten up some statistics showing that  
the farmers are in a most prosperous  
condition; that only 28 per cent  
have any incumbrance on their  
lands and that was incurred to  
put on improvements. It is to be  
hoped that the farmers will be  
more liberally supplied with this  
document than they have been  
with seeds, on the distribution  
of which the said secretary  
has saved \$2,000,000. The assur-  
ance of their prosperity will be  
a bit of news that will make good  
reading, in which the element of  
surprise will not be wanting, to  
the farmers.

W. J. Bryan was given an un-  
precedented ovation at every  
point visited by him in Colorado.  
Myron Reid, the great Populist  
preacher, was toast-master at  
the banquet tendered him at Den-  
ver. The North American Re-  
view publishes an article by  
Bryan, the Silver Cause, in  
which he reviews the past cam-  
paign and speaks in enthusiastic  
and hopeful terms of its triumph  
at some future time. Mr. Bryan's  
lecturing tour will begin at At-  
lanta, Ga. He has been re-  
quested to be present at the con-  
ference of Silver leaders that  
has been called by Gen. Warner,  
to meet at Washington City,  
January 12-17. Moody, the  
great evangelist expresses his  
admiration for the recent demo-  
Populist candidate, and his wish  
that Mr. Bryan could be per-  
suaded to preach the gospel as  
earnestly as he talks of political  
matters.

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## An Inconsistent Position.

Mr. B. J. Gifford was before  
the commissioners last Monday  
in the capacity of a remonstrator  
against the Younklers ditch,  
proposed to be made in Walker  
township and to empty its waters  
into his big ditch that has its  
outlet into the Iroquois just be-  
low Burk's bridge. Mr. Gifford  
says that he does not want to lay  
a straw in the way of drainage  
to any part of the county, but he  
does not think it just to have  
one part of the county drained  
to the detriment of the lands be-  
low, which must be traversed by  
the waters of the drained lands  
above. The viewers have al-  
ready allowed Mr. Gifford about  
\$500 for the privilege of using  
his ditch as an outlet for the  
proposed canal, and there are  
many competent judges who be-  
lieve that no damage whatever  
would result from this extra flow  
of water, providing Mr. Gifford  
would take the water already  
discharged from the big ditch  
into the Iroquois down that  
stream to its natural outlet, the  
mouth of the Pinkamink.

It is a matter of history that Mr.  
Gifford practically changed the  
course of the Pinkamink by the  
construction of his big ditch and  
that he has actually ruined  
thousands of acres of land by  
his neglect to carry the water on  
to its natural channel. The  
financial loss has fallen heavily  
on many land owners and they  
can truly say, with Mr. Gifford  
that "they do not wish to lay a  
straw in the way of drainage of  
any part of the county," but  
they do object to having their  
dry and valuable lands flooded  
in order that his marshes may  
be made to appear above the  
desert waste of water. Nor is  
this all; the county, after years  
of trouble and uncounted cost,  
succeeded in making a solid  
bridge and approaches at Burk's  
crossing of the Iroquois. It is  
believed that had it not been for  
the backing up of water from  
Mr. Gifford's ditch, this improve-  
ment would have been sufficient  
and no further outlay necessary.  
But as it is the county has been  
obliged to spend over \$2000 in  
order to make the bridge pass-  
able and still several hundred  
dollars more of expense will be  
necessary unless this foreign  
water is removed to its proper  
and natural course.

This county recognizes fully the great im-  
provements Mr. Gifford has and  
is making, and the lasting bene-  
fits to accrue therefrom, but they  
are not insensible also to the  
fact that Mr. Gifford is the one  
great beneficiary of all this im-  
provement. He like other men  
is humanly selfish and like some  
men he seems to care very little  
about the rights of his neighbors.  
His methods of doing  
business are open to the severest  
criticism, and it is time for our  
county commissioners to heed  
the cry of his wronged neighbors  
and set the gentleman face to face  
with the strict letter of the law.  
He has no right, legal  
or moral, to reclaim the frog  
ponds in one locality and create  
others in another. The com-  
munity has suffered long and  
patiently and the time has come  
for action. Either close the big  
ditch where it leaves the Pinkamink  
or dredge the Iroquois. There is no legal  
obstacle in the way of the commissioners afford-  
ing immediate relief.

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senators will go into caucus with  
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an interview, that the silver sen-  
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