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A Wise Judge. A curious judgment was pronounced the other day by a judge in a court of law at Volisso, in the Island of Scio. An action for damages was brought by two persons against the local railway company for losses sustained by a collision. It appeared that a man had lost an arm and a young woman had lost her husband. The judge, a Greek, assessed the damages thus: He gave 8,000 plasters to the man for the loss of his arm and 2,000 to the woman for the loss of her husband. At this there were loud murmurs, whereupon the judge gave his reasons in these terms: "My dear people, my verdict must remain, for you will see it is a just one. Poor Nikola has lost his arm and nothing on earth can restore that priceless limb. But you" (turning to the woman -"you are still young and pretty. You have now some money; you will easily find another husband, who possibly may be as good as-perhaps better than-your dead lord. That is my verdict, my people, and so it must go forth." So saying the judge left the hall. The people cheered him and con-

raster than Sound.

gratulated themselves on having such a

A curious circumstance illustrating the difference in speed between sound, which travels through the air, and electricity, through wire as its guide and conductor, occurred in California. A certain powder works blew up in a town while a railway telegraph operaneighboring town. At the instant of the occurrence he telegraphed the news to the operator, who, 60 seconds afterwards, heard the report of the explosion. He knew it had occurred by wire just one minute before he heard the report. Sound travels at about the rate of 1,140 feet per second, while electricity accomplishes 186,000 miles in the same short period of time.-Philadelphia Record.

Corn Culture in Boston. The proposed "corn laws" in Legislature have brought to light the fact that some 200,000 Bostonians are treated for corns annually. True culture must take care of the feet as well as of the head.-Boston Globe.

Richest Man in the World. Mr. John B. Robinson of South Africa is said to be the richest man in the world. His fortune is estimated at £70,000,000 (\$340,620,000). In 1878 Robinson was in debt. He had kept a grocery store in the Orange Free State, but he could not make both ends meet. He and his wife begged their way for Conveyancing and Perfecting 300 miles to Kimberly. Here Robinson laid the foundation of his enormous fortune by picking up a rough diamond

worth £250 (\$1,216).

Postmaster General Wilson is the most studious member of the Cabinet. man, and Senator Allen, of Nebraska, He goes into society very little, and permanent chairman. General Weaver spends most of his leisure in his li- was chairman of platform committee.

BRYAN IS NOMINATED

Selection of the Populist National Convention.

WATSON FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

The National Committee Given Plenary Power in All Things Connected With the Party.

William Jennings Bryan, of Nebrasks, who was nominated by the at St. Louis, made the standard-bearer of the People's party by a vote of 1,043

The Democratic candidate was nominated in the face of his own protest, in the shape of a telegram, directing the withdrawal of his name, sent to Senator Jones, after Sewall, his running mate, had been ditched for the vicepresidential nomination Friday night, and Thomas F. Watson, of Georgia, had been named for the second place on the ticket. It was also made in the face of an opposition so bitter that, after the convention adjourned, some of the radicals held a "rump" conven-

The last session of the convention, which lasted from 9:30 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the evening, was marked by scenes of turbulence



W J Bryan

which almost precipitated personal collisions. The Texas delegates headed bor production.

early Saturday to disregard Mr P tangle afterwards. They started out except by specific action of congress. to rush his nomination through before Fifth—We demand such legislation

General Weaver, of Iowa, the Popu- private contract. list candidate in 1892, in a masterly and General Field, of Virginia, who was formerly Weaver's running mate, after a brief speech, moved to make the nomination unanimous.

About fifty seconding speeches were then made, and some of them were government obligation securities. both eloquent and brilliant

The middle-of-the-road contingent insisted upon knowing at every oppor-tunity whether, in view of his teleform and accept the nomination. But the income tax law, as a misinterpretaall these pointed questions were neatly tion of the constitution, an invasion of parried. Judge Green, of Nebraska, and others, vouched for Bryan's sympathy with Populistic principles, but that was all the satisfaction the radicals could get. A roll-call by states was taken, and

when it was completed, it was found that Bryan had 1,042 out of the 1,347 votes in the convention. Frank S. Norton, of Chicago, was the only other candidate. Ignatius Donnelly, of Minnesota, and General Coxey, of Ohio, were nominated, but their names were Debs 10, and Donnelly 1. Norton got the majority of the solid vote of Texas, Michigan, Missouri, Rhode Island and Wisconsin, and a respectable portion of the votes of Alabama, California, Kentucky, Illinois and Ohio.

The demonstration when Bryan was declared to be the choice of the convention lasted fifteen minutes, and was tor was telegraphing to another in a fully as enthusiastic as that tendered the Nebraska man at the Chicago con-

Saturday morning a motion was introduced and carried that the national committee be given plenary power in all things connnected with the party.

The Vice-Presidential Nominee. Thomas F. Watson, of Georgia, who was a member of the Fifty-first congress, and who, in the Fifty-second and Fifty-third congresses, unsuccessfully contested Colonel Black's seat, was nominated for vice-president by the convention on the first ballot, shortly after midnight Friday night. The nomination was made unanimous before the result of the roll-call was an-

The nominating speeches occupied exactly six hours.

The convention adjourned after Bryan had been declared the nominee. After the adjournment of the convention the national committee held a meeting, and after a spirited contest, elected Senator Butler, of North Carolina, on the second ballot as national

The first three days of the convention were consumed in organizing, appointing of committees, etc. The platform was adopted Friday afternoon. Senator Butler was temporary chair-

Second-We demand the free and Third-We demand that the volevery disabled Union soldier. the opposition and clung to the middle Fourth—We denounce the sale of franchise and untrammeled ballot are of the road to the last.

any other candidate could be put in as will prevent the demonetizing of the

Sixth-We demand that the governaddress, placed Bryan in nomination, ment, in payment of its obligations, shall use its option as to the kind of lawful money in which they are to be paid, and we denounce the present and preceeding administrations for surrendering this option to the holders of

income tax, to the end that aggregate wealth shall bear its just proportion of taxation, and we regard the recent degram, Bryan wou'd stand on the plat- cision of the supreme court, relative to the rightful powers of congress on the subject of taxation.

ings banks be established by the government for the safe deposit of the savings of the people and to facilitate ex-

First-Transportation being a means of exchange and a public necessity, the government should own and operate the railroads in the interest of the people on a nonpartisan basis, to the end that withdrawn. Norton received 321 votes, all may be accorded the same treatment in transportation, and that the tyranny of political power, now exercised by the great railroad corporations, which result in the impairment, if not the destruction of the political rights and personal liberty of the citizen may be destroyed. Such ownership is to be accomplished gradually in a manner consistent with sound public policy.

Second-The interest of the United States in the public highways built with public moneys and the proceeds of extensive grants of land to the Pacific railroads should never have been alienated, mortgaged or sold, but guarded and protected for the general welfare as provided by the laws organizing such railroads. The foreclosure of existing liens of the United States on these roads should at once follow default in the payment thereof by the debtor companies, and at the foreclosure sales of said roads the government should purchase the same, if it becomes necessry, to protect its interests, or if they can be purchased at a reasonable price, and the government shall operate said railroads as public highways for the benefit of the whole people, and not in the interest of the few, under suitable provisions for protection of life and property, giving to all the transportation interests equal privileges and equal rates for fares and

Third-We denounce the present infamous schemes for refunding the said debts, and demand that the laws now applicable thereto be executed and administered according to their true in-

tent and spirit.
Fourth—The telegraph, like the postoffice system, being a necessity for the transaction of news, should be owned and operated by the government in the interest of the people.

Land. First-The true policy demands that | to exist.

POPULIST PLATFORM. the national and state legislation shall be such as will ultimately enable every prudent and industrious citizen

after, as well as before, patenting.

be made in the case of Indian reserva-

tions when opened for settlement, and

that all lands not now patented come

Direct Legislation.

We favor a system of direct legisla-iton through the initiative and referen-

dum, under proper constitutional safe-

General Propositions.

First-We demand the election of

States senators by direct vote of the

Second-We tender to the patriotic

people of Cuba our deepest sympathy in their struggle for political freedom

and independence, and we believe the

time has come when the United States,

the great republic of the world, should

ought to be, a free and independent

Eighth-Believing that the election

we declare it to be the duty of the sev-

eral state legislatures to take such ac-

tion as will secure a full and free and

the aid and co-operation of all organi-

zations and citizens agreeing with us

A METEOR IN MEXICO.

Carried Down the Side of a Mountain in

Its Fall.

Mexico, July 27.—A remarkable

Reyes, in the state of Chihuahua, oc-

curred at 3 o'clock yesterday. A tre-

menduous explosion was heard and an

enormous mass of burning matter was

seen to fall from the heavens, striking

the side of the mountain and bringing

with it in its course entire cliffs, and

finally plunged 700 feet into the

ground making a hole from which

poiling water still issues. One of the

most singular pehnomena observed was

the heavy rain falling from the sky

immediately after the descent of the

meteor. The people are very supersti-

tious, as this is one of the many reali-

zations of the prophecies of the vision-seeing girl of Tobasco. The same

neteor destroyed the house of a miner

killing his two children.

enomenon at the mine of Carlos

upon this vital question.

fair ballot and an honest count.

under this demand.

ritories as states.

proper legislation.

ticable.

labor and its products.

guards.

Adopted by the National Convention to secure a home, and therefore the land should not be monopolized for Following is the Populist platform, speculative purposes. All lands now as agreed upon by the committee on resolutions and adopted by the St. Louis held by railways and other corporations in excess of their actual needs should, by lawful means, be reclaimed by the government and held for actual settlers

hibited.

The People's Party, assembled in national convention, reaffirms its allegiance to the principles declared by the founders of the republic, and also to the fundamental principles of just government as enunciated in the platform of the party in 1892. We recognize that, through the connivance of the present and preceding administrations, the country has reached a crisis in its national life, as predicted in our dec-Democratic national convention at Chi-laration four years ago, and that cago, a fortnight ago, was, Saturday, prompt and patriotic action is the supreme duty of the hour. We realize that, while we have political independence, our financial and industrial independence is yet to be obtained by restoring to our country the constitutional control and exercise of the functions necessary to a people's government, which functions have been basely surrendered by our public servants to corporate monopolies. The influence of European money changers has been more potent in shaping legislation than the voice of the American people Executive power and patronage have been used to corrupt our legislatures and defeat the will of the people, and plutocracy has thereby been enthroned upon the ruins of democracy. To re-store the government intended by the fathers of the country, for the welfare and prosperity of this and future generations, we demand the establishment of an economic and financial system which shall make us masters of our own affairs and independent of European control by the adoption of the following declaration of principles:

First-We demand a national money, safe and sound, issued by the general government only, without the interven-tion of banks of issue, to be a full legal tender for all debts, public and private; a just, equitable and efficient means of distribution direct to the people and through the lawful disbursements of the government

unrestricted coinage of silver and gold at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, and without waiting for the consent of foreign nations.

ume of circulating medium be speedily increased to an amount sufficient to and noisy excitement, which several meet the demands of the business and times bordered on actual riot, and the population of this country, and to restore the just level of prices and la-

The Populist Bryan managers decid. interest bearing debt, made by the people, the People's party con-Bryan's telegram of Friday and to and without authority of law, and we chisement adopted in some of the states nominate him and straighten out the demand that no more bonds be issued as unrepublican and undemocratic, and

lawful money of the United States by

Ninth-While the foregoing propositions constitute the platform which our party stands upon and for the vindication of its organization will be maintained, we recognize that the great and pressing issue of the pending campaign upon which the presidential election will turn, is the financial question, and upon this great and specific issue between the parties we cordially invite

Seventh-We demand a graduated

Eighth-We demand that postal sav-

Transportation.

Fired on an American Ship The schooner Governor J. Y. Smith, to Wilmington, N. C., has arrived at gunboat opened fire on the schooner, the American ensign and left the neighborhood as quickly as possible. He was not able to learn the name of an official report, as the schooner is entered at the custom-house. Fatal Shooting Accident.

A fatal shooting accident occurred at Addy, Wash. Thomas Smith's boy,

17 years old, shot and instantly killed the son of H. Skeel, about 14 years old. The Smith boy had taken a rifle with him to school for the purpose of killing birds on his way. Returning home with a number of children, he shot at a mark on a tree, the bullet glancing and penetrating the heart of the Skeel boy, killing him instantly.

THE SILVER CONVENTION.

Bryan Nominated for President and Sewall for Vice-President. St. Louis, Mo.-At the first day's session of the silver convention not Epitome of the Telegraphic much headway was made. The programme of the conference was all aranged in advance. It included simply the adoption of a 16-to-1 platform and the nomination of Bryan and Sewall, TERSE TICKS FROM THE WIRES but those in charge of it deemed it only, and private land monopoly, as well as alien ownership, should be progood policy to go slow in the belief that they might, by remaining in sesson, be able to exercise an influence in shaping Second-We condemn the frauds by which the land grants to Pacific railthings in the Populist convention. To road companies have, through the conthis end, they appointed a committee of seven, headed by Judge Scott, of Calinivance of the interior department, robbed multitudes of bona-fide settlers fornia, to meet a similar committee of of their homes and miners of their the Populists for the purpose of reachclaims, and we demand legislation by ing a common plan of action. The congress which will enforce the exempconvention was called to order by Nation of mineral land from such grants tional Chairman Mott, who introduced Francis B. Newlands, of Nevada, as temporary chairman. Mr. Newlands addressed the convention at some Third-We demand that bona fide settlers on all public lands be granted free homes, as provided in the national length, and was followed by other homestead law, and that no exception

The Second Day.

silverites.

speakers setting forth the claims of the

The second day's session of the silver convention was given over to speeches and songs. No business of any importance was transacted. The ladies were in evidence, and the assembly was addressed by Mrs. Helen Conger, of Indiana, who denounced the goldbug monopolists as "Wall street plutocrats" and "English bond sharks" president, vice-president and United and said the only salvation of the people from serfdom was to declare for the free coinage of silver.

The Third Day. It was ten minutes to 11 o'clock when Chairman St. John called the silver convention to order. G. W. Baker, of California, said that the People's Party convention had appointrecognize that Cuba 1s, and of right a conference committee and moved that the convention defer action tate.

On the platform and postpone the nomination until 3:30 P. M. The motion

territories and the District of Colum- prevailed. No business was transacted during bia, and the early admission of the terthe day, the time being taken up in Fourth-All public salaries should the rendering of silver speeches,

be made to correspond to the price of poems and songs. Friday night, after the committee of Fifth—In times of great industrial seven appointed to confer with the depression, idle labor should be employed on public works as far as prac- ment could be reached, the convention proceeded to close its business. The Sixth-The arbitrary course of the platform was read and adopted withcourt in assuming to imprison citizens out change. A motion was then made for indirect contempt and ruling them to nominate Bryan and Sewall by ac-by injunction should be prevented by clamation. Amid much excitement the motion carried. The convention Seventh-We favor just pensions for then adjourned sine die.

The Platform enormously increased the demand for autonomy or see us crushed. Should gold, enhancing the purchasing power our demands be neglected, then within and lowering all prices measured by fifteen days of July 15, the date at that standard, and since that unjust which they were made, we shall break and indispensable act, the prices of the armistice." American products have fallen upon an average nearly 50 per cent, carrying imperial Chinese troops were recently down with them proportionately the sent to Lanchou to suppress the Mo-money value of all other forms of prop-hammedan rebels, who had risen erty. Such fall of prices has destroyed against the authorities. The rebels the profits of legitimate industry, injuring the producer for the benefit of seem to have totally annihilated them, the non-producer, increasing the bur- although the imperial troops were betden of the debtor, swelling the gains of ter provisioned and equipped. There the creditor, paralyzing the productive were 6,000 troops sent to subdue the energies of the American people, rele-rebels and all are either killed or missgating to idleness vast numbers of willing workers, sending the shadows of despair into the home of the honest toiler, filling the land with tramps and paupers, and building up colossal for-

tunes at the money centers. In the effort to maintain the gold standard, the country has, within the last four years, in a time of profound peace and plenty, been loaded down with a \$262,000,000 of additional interest-bearing debt, under such circumtsances as to allow a syndicate of native and foreign bankers to realize a tles in Crete are almost of hourly occur-

net profit of millions on a single deal. rence, and the Turks have suffered It stands confessed that the gold- heavy losses. standard can only be upheld by so depleting our paper currency as to force floating in the Puyallup river. Moran the prices of our products below the is supposed to have drowned himself European and telow the Asiatic level, on June 80 last. and enable us to sell in foreign markets, thus aggravating the very misery body of Norway, has defeated the bill of which our people so bitterly complain, degrading American labor and striking at the foundations of our civilization itself.

The advocates of the gold standard ersistently claim that the cause of our distress is overproduction; that we have produced so much that it has made us poor; which implies that the true remedy is to close the factory, abandon the farm and throw a multitude of people out of employment, a doctrine that leaves us disheartened Captain Patrick, from Gibrars, Cuba, and without hope for the future.

We affirm it to be unquestionable that quarantine, at Southport N. C. The there can be no such economic paradox hooner left Gibrara July 14. Two as overproduction and at the same time days later, while off the Cuban coast tens of thousands of our fellow-citizens in the neighborhood of Neuvitas har- remain half-clothed and half fed, and bor, she passed a Spanish gunboat who are piteously clamoring for the about a mile and a half away. The common necessities of life.

Inasmuch as the patriotic majority ending a solid shot over her deck. of the Chicago convention embodied in The shell fell in the sea a quarter of a the financial plank of its platform the tain Nash, from Boston for Rosario, mile to starboard, doing no damage. principles enunciated by the American has put into Halifax, Novia Scotia. Captain Patrick immediately ran up bimetallic party, promulgated at Wash- There had been a mutiny on board. bimetallic party, promulgated at Wash- There had been a mutiny on board. ington, D. C., January 29, 1896, and The captain, his wife and the second herein reiterated, which is not only mate were killed in their berths in the paramount, but the only real issue in night. The first officer, who was on the gunboat, which remained station-ary, firing no more shots. It is ex-ognizing that their nominees embody The murderers or murderers or awled pected that Captain Patrick will make these patriotic principles, we recom- aft to the cabin, descended, and with mend that this convention nominate axes chopped the victims to death. W. J. Bryan, of Nebraska, for presi- Upon the arrival of the barkentine all dent, and Arthur Sewall, of Maine, the crew were locked up in the police for vice-president.

A cloudburst occurred at Springfield, O., flooding everything. People in the East End moved up stairs on account of the overflow of Buck creek. Front the Palouse country are to the effect and North streets were partially under that the damage is about 75 per cent, water. A crowd of campers at Red-mond mill were perched in trees all night. The magnificent Snyder Park, costing \$25,000 is almost ruined.

News of the World.

An Interesting Collection of Items From the Two Hemispheres Presented

in a Condensed Form.

Cleveland, O., is celebrating its cen-tennial with due ceremony. News comes from the Washington state Republican headquarters that the state convention will probably be held at Tacoma, some time between August

15 and September 15. Hon. Samuel Layman, a prominent and well-known Oregonian, died at his home near Woodburn from the effects of injuries which he sustained some weeks ago by falling from a cherry

tree. Mr. Layman was 63 years of age. A meeting of representatives from the large foreign banking-houses was held in New York, to consider plans for the protection of the treasury gold reserve. It is understood a plan was arranged to ease the exchange market until the crop movement starts the

balance in our favor. A San Francisco dispatch says: Edwin B. Webster, the young paymaster who was recently court-martialed at Mare Island and found guilty of a charge of embezzlement, does not intend to abide by the judgment of the court. He will appeal to President Cleveland for clemency before the navy department shall have an opportunity to pass upon the recently found

verdict. Percival Lowell, Boston's famous astronomer, who is now on his way to Flagstaff, Ariz., is at the head of the most important scientific expedition planned for more than half a century. The object of the expedition is to make observations on Mars, and to procure, if possible, evidence to support the theory held by Mr. Lowell and other astronomers that the "red star of war" is inhabited by human beings.

Three members of the revolutionary committee have just arrived in Athens from Crete on a special mission. In the course of an interview they made the following statement on an authority of their committee: "We wish to say it has been decided that we must have granted to us the demands we have sent to the sultan or else we shall The demonstization of silver in 1878 fight. The powers must either give us

Advices from Hong Kong say that surrounded the imperial troops and ing. The rebels are now mad for blood, massacreing all in authority, killing and pillaging on their triumph-

ant march through the country. Chinatown in San Francisco is in a fever of excitement and another highbinder war has been declared.

Cloclin's sawmill, situated on Deep creek, near Medical lake, Wash., was burned to the ground. The loss is Cholera is abating in Egypt. Bat-

The remains of Ed Moran were found

The storthing, the representative for the temporary increase of duties on petroleum and sugar, and for the imposition of a duty on meat.

Mrs. T. H. Tofree, who was Grover

Cleveland's secretary while he was mayor of Buffalo, committed suicide in

Mojave, Cal., by drinking carbolic acid. It is supposed she was temporarily in-Adjutant-General Tuttle has received from the secretary of the state of Oregon a warrant for \$5,917, with which to pay the militia boys for their services at Astoria during the recent fishing

Near Dryden, Mich., George Swayne, a farmer, about 45 years old, killed his three small children and set fire to his house, then blew his brains out. His wife died a short time ago. It is thought that this deranged his mind.

troubles.

The barkentine Herbert Fuller, Capstation to await trial.

There is no longer doubt that the wheat crop in Eastern Washington has been badly damaged by hot winds, says a Walla Walla dispatch. Reports from cent, and will only average about fifthe Skeel boy, killing him instantly.

There were a number of children standing around at the time. An inquest will be held, as different rumors seem will be held, as different rumors seem consists.

In Europe thrushes build their nests as near to human habitations as they will be held, as different rumors seem consists.