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of Ohio.

For Vice-President—
THEODORE ROOSEVELT,
of New York.

LAWYERS AGAINST BRYANISM.

The organization, on Friday, of the Lawyers' Sound Money Campaign Club of New York, with the Hon. John G. Carlisle as its president, is one of the most important and significant events of the present canvass.

The principles and purposes of the club, as expressed in resolutions adopted at the meeting, are "allegiance to the principle of the gold standard" and condemnation of the "revolutionary doctrines" reaffirmed in the nomination of Bryan. Accordingly, these distinguished lawyers announce unreservedly "that, in our opinion, the defeat of Messrs. Bryan and Stevenson is essential to the permanent and efficient maintenance of the gold standard of value in this country."

Mr. Carlisle, then of Kentucky, as secretary of the treasury in the cabinet of Mr. Cleveland long ago declared the allegiance to which he now remains faithful, and expounded sound currency doctrines with a power and a lucidity of statement unexcelled. He now refuses to follow the example of Mr. Richard Olney, the only other man in that cabinet standing on an intellectual level with him, in a sacrifice of his consistency and his reputation as a statesman to short-sighted ideas of political expediency.

Mr. Carlisle, too, is a man of Southern birth, a life-long democrat of great distinction in his party. As a correspondent from Georgia says in a letter, it is "a great severance" for such a man to put himself in an attitude of seeming hostility to the democratic party; and when it is made it is indicative of the profoundest and sincerest conviction. But neither in the case of Mr. Carlisle nor in that of any other southerner or any other of the distinguished democratic lawyers of New York associated with him in the organization and direction of this club, can it now be regarded in any quarter as an abandonment of democratic doctrine and principle. They turn from Bryan and the Chicago and Kansas City platforms because they repudiate them as false to democracy and fatal to it. They associate themselves with republicans distinguished at the bar simply for the patriotic purpose of contributing their ability and influence to defeat an assault on our social stability and national security and honor, and incidentally to relieve the democratic party from an odious incubus put upon it.

Such democrats as Francis L. Stetson, of whom Mr. Cleveland formerly a law partner, George Hoady, formerly a democratic governor of Ohio, and Wheeler H. Peckham, George L. Rives and Franklin Bartlett, of life-long distinction as democrats, appear in the list of officers of this club; but everybody knows that such a relation does not imply any change in their political faith. Because they are democrats their influence is all the more commanding in this campaign.

Where is Prof. Coin Harvey in these awful hours? He is missed in the "financial circles" of the sons of silver. Many issues have their little day of paramountcy among the Bryan brethren, but Coin is paramount no more. He has retired to Arkansas, thinking great thoughts. The Jeffersonian five-cent cigar was his invention, we believe; but that, like imperialism, would never draw; and so Coin is sleeping the unquiet sleep of plutocracy and waiting for his reappearance.

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