

The Meeting at Manning.

The Republican Convention.

On Thursday last at St. Louis the republican convention nominated Wm. J. McKinley for President of the United States on a Gold and High Protective tariff platform. McKinley received on the first ballot two thirds of all the votes and the nomination was made unanimous.

There are two significant facts, that cropped out during the proceedings of this convention, that are bright with hope for democracy. First, although the financial plank declares for gold alone as the standard, McKinley himself was bitterly opposed to it and favored any kind of a straddle rather than be forced to stand up flat footed heels together toes out and to the mark for Gold.

The other rainbow for national Democracy is the fact that so many silver delegates withdrew from the convention in high dudgeon and went home to work and vote for democracy if a silver platform be adopted and a silver candidate be nominated at Chicago.

And McKinley telegraphed to Hanna that if they could not nominate him on Thursday to put it off until Saturday, "tell em" said he "they can plant their beans on Friday but do please don't plant me on that day, why that's the day they hang folks."

For Gold Alone.

The following is the financial plank in the platform of the Republican convention at St. Louis, just adjourned. About the 7th of July the Democratic convention at Chicago will cover that plank with one of gold and silver.

"We are unalterably opposed to every measure calculated to debase our currency, or impair the credit of our country. We are therefore opposed to the free coinage of silver except by international agreement with the leading commercial nations of the world, which we pledge ourselves to promote, and until such can be agreed, the existing gold standard must be preserved.

McKinley is a straddle bug on a gold bug platform. Such a wagon and team will not suit the American people.

And when the vote disclosed to Hanna that Gold was to be "in it" in spite of his protests and manifold objections; he simply remarked, "Somebody stole my nigger," Hanna thought he had "fixed" the nigger delegates, but they were willing to be "fixed" twice.

Falls by the Wayside.

At the Florida State convention of last week the goldbugs carried the day by a vote of 173 to 171. Money answereth all things. There is not a particle of doubt that Florida and Michigan were carried over to the enemy by the corrupt use of money, and other influences and that such a programme will be continued up to the sitting of the Chicago convention is equally certain.

The first meeting of the State campaign came off at Manning on Monday of this week. Little enthusiasm was manifested. Ellerbe and Whitman, candidates for Governor were there. Dr. Timmerman was there candidate for State Treasurer, and had no opposition and will go in beyond a doubt. But for the one single sensation of the day it would have been insufferably dull.

The disgust of the Columbia State with the situation is contagious: "Irby retired; Donaldson has not filed his pledge, so far as we can learn; McLaurin dallied but did not dare; Mayfield yearned but fell back; W. D. Evans put in a straw bid; Earle entered the lists and as soon as he had entered retreated precipitately. The only man who ventures to stand before the appointed of Tillman is a State house clerk!"

In legal trials for criminal offenses, the law presumes a man innocent until proven guilty. In trials before the bar of public opinion for alleged shady practices, where the people are the judges and the circumstances draw the indictment, the rule is the other way and the prisoner at this bar must prove his innocence.

Erebus: Cimmerium!!

John Duncan is to oppose Jno. Gary Evans for the United States Senate! And this is the "dark horse" the Columbia State and the Register and the News and Courier have been promising us every day for the past week.

Another Salvation Army.

It seems that there is to be another Salvation Army; and the surprising thing is that it is to be an Episcopal organization. For some time there has been a church army under Episcopal direction in England; and it has proved so satisfactory in its results that it is to be introduced into this country, as the United States Church Army. The organization is modeled after the Salvation Army; though it is proposed to reach a rather different class of people. It is not for the slums. "There is to be a military director, a chief of staff, field marshals, majors, side-decamps," and so on; and there will be chariot companies to travel from place to place, with a driver, a fife, a drummer and a bugler. All of this sounds strangely incongruous in connection with the Episcopal church. The motive of it may be excellent; but it looks like an awkward attempt of this stiff, aristocratic body to adjust itself to the growing conviction that the church's mission is to the masses. We are told that in a short time there will be church army posts scattered over the country at large. We wish them well and hope that they may become promoters of real piety."

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Senator Irby Withdraws.

HE WILL NOT MAKE THE RACE FOR RE-ELECTION. HE TELLS THE PEOPLE WHY.

His Recent Political Course has been Misunderstood and he has been Misjudged—He Will Not Sue for Favors.

News and Courier.

LAURENS, S. C., June 17.—In a short interview with Senator Irby to-day, your correspondent asked this question: "Will you be at Manning next Monday, Senator?" The Senator answered: "No, I shall not attend that or any other campaign meeting as a candidate for the United States Senate. I had intended up to a short time ago to ask for the nomination at the ensuing primary, but have concluded not to enter the contest. From advices received from different sections of the State I conclude that my motives and official acts for the last year have been misunderstood by the faction of which I was a charter member. It is apparent from these advices that I must antagonize those with whom I have co-operated—politically since 1886. It seems that the entire machinery of the party government has been organized to humiliate, defeat and destroy me. This would not have been but for a misunderstanding of my motives in opposing the equal division of delegates to the Constitutional Convention, the defense of the name of Butler in that convention, my opposition to the plan of suffrage as adopted and the uncompromising position taken by me in opposition to a bolt in the late State Democratic convention. In addition, if I were to run with my old friends organized against me I could only expect support from those heretofore my political opponents, which would be distasteful to me as they owe me no favors. In arriving at this conclusion, I desire to say that I cherish no spleen towards those who I believe misconstrue my motives and political course recently, and confidently anticipate the future to vindicate these positions and policies."

TILLMAN IN NINETY-FOUR.

THE REPLY HE MADE TO THESE BOND DEAL CHARGES.

HE INDIGNANTLY DENIED THAT HE EVER RECEIVED ONE CENT OF THE COMMISSIONS AND TERMED IT A MALICIOUS SLANDER.

The State.

In view of the great interest being taken just at this time in the bond matter it is interesting to turn back to Senator Tillman's speech made at Waterboro in '94, and make extracts from that speech, in which he dealt with the matter, defying anyone to say that he or Dr. Bates got one cent of the commissions.

Senator Tillman said: "First as to the \$690.65 charged on the treasurer's books to the redemption of Brown consols and expenses. The larger portion of this was paid for the engraving and printing of the bonds themselves. The balance was the expenses incurred by Dr. Bates and myself when we went to New York for two weeks, begging up and down Wall street. Every item, with vouchers, can be had in the treasurer's office. This is what was spent of the \$8,000.

"To the second question, how much of the funds of the sinking fund commission were expended and for what? I answer, not one cent.

"Third, who received the \$124,161.65, (this should be \$118,125,) the 2 1-2 per cent semi-annual interest on the new bonds? I answer that I do not know. We did not, as everybody knows, fund the bonds in New York, because we were antagonized by the Charleston banks and the feeling there appeared to be for a gold bond, which we were not authorized to issue and which I was unwilling to have the State issue. After our failure to do anything in New York, we authorized Mr. Rhind to negotiate the loan of five and a quarter million of 4 1-2 per cent bonds at par, and expressly informed him that if he could sell them so as to get any commission it would be all right, but that the State would not pay him one cent. So far as Mr. Rhind's financial standing was concerned, it did not concern us. We were dealing with him as a broker, who appeared to know his business and who had discretion and judgment. His associates in the work with the syndicate, and who got part of whatever commission he received, were Messrs. Lancaster & Williams of Richmond. I say this however, that no member of the syndicate—Lancaster, Williams, Rhind or any other man—has ever paid one cent of this commission to anybody in South Carolina that I know of, and I defy anybody on earth, under the earth or anywhere else to trace any of this money to South Carolina, or say that Bates or I got one dollar of it."

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NOTICE.

To MEMBERS COUNTY DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: As there will be a good deal of important business to consider, you are requested to meet at Edgefield Court House on Monday July 6th at 10 o'clock a. m., sharp. J. M. GAINES, Chairman.

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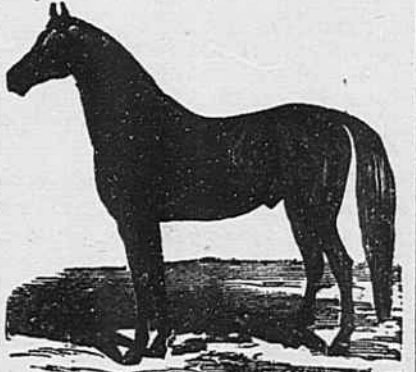
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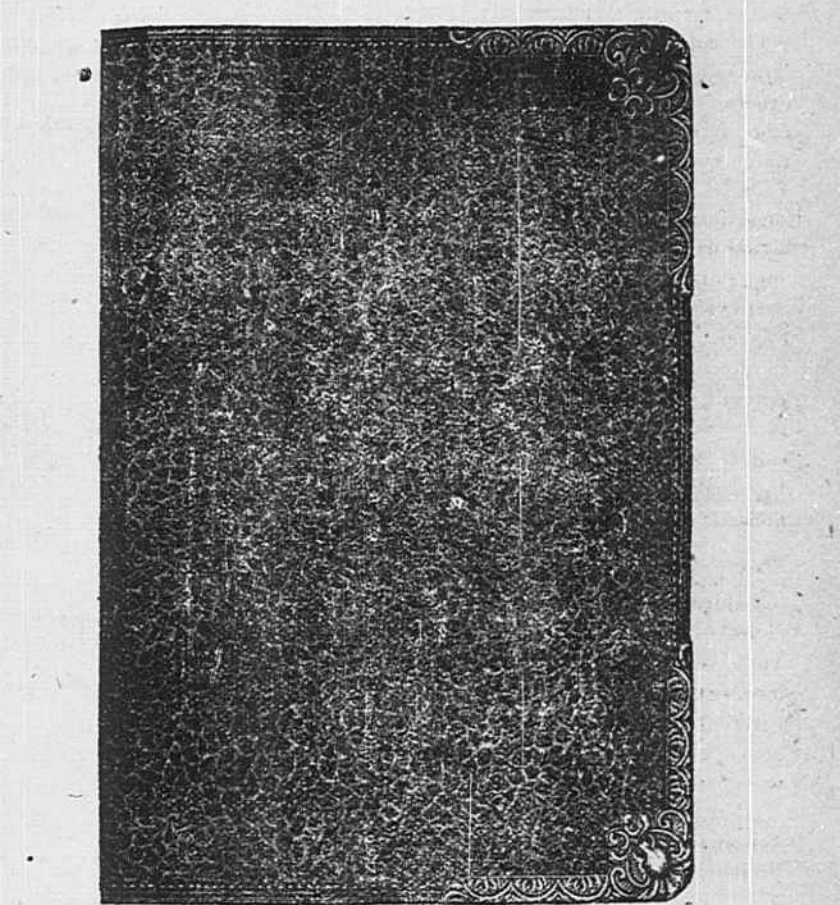
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