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Vote the straight Democratic ticket. The Democratic column will be the second on the ballot, and by marking a cross in the circle at the top you vote for every name in the whole column.

There never was a time in the history of this nation when there was a stronger call for every voter to do his duty than at the coming election.

The local ticket was not made up on either a gold or silver basis, and the money question has nothing to do with local matters.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MR. KULP.

CATAWISSA, PA., Oct. 19, 1896. Hon. Monroe H. Kulp, Shamokin, Pa. MY DEAR SIR:—Your letter of recent date with "button" enclosed duly received, "soliciting my support and influence and thanking me for kindnesses already shown and hoping to see me personally before the close of the campaign."

Very truly yours, E. M. TEWKSBURY.

BISHOP MCGOVERN TALKS FOR FREE SILVER.

Believes the Coinage of More Money Will Be a Boon to the Nation—He Suggests Remedies for the Financial Ills—Predicts Democratic Success.

[The following interview with Bishop McGovern appeared in The Patriot of July 22, last. The edition containing it was quickly exhausted. So many inquiries for the article have reached The Patriot that we reproduce it herewith.—Editor Patriot.]

"I believe the Democrats will carry every state in November west of Pennsylvania except California, and every Southern state, even Kentucky. A month ago, my opinion is, they could not have carried a single state. But a great tidal wave is sweeping over the country for free silver to which we may attribute this change in the condition of affairs."

These are the words of Rt. Rev. Thomas McGovern, the beloved bishop of Harrisburg. The bishop is a practical rather than theoretical man and his opinion on ecclesiastical and public matters carries with it great weight.

"Oh, I am feeling much better than I did a few days ago," was the bishop's reply in answer to a question as to his health. "But it was one of the worst attacks of malaria I have ever had. And this is not good weather to get rid of the malady."

The conversation then turned to the political situation in which the venerable bishop showed a keen interest. He discussed the currency question in all its phases in a manner that was as convincing as entertaining.

"I am in favor of honest money," said he thoughtfully. "Now, what I want to know is, what is honest money? We now have gold, paper, bonds and promises to pay, and all pass as honest money. There is not enough of gold in the world to pay its indebtedness. The United States government could not pay its indebtedness in gold because it has not got it."

"What about silver?" asked the reporter. "Silver is surely as good as paper, and fifty per cent. better. If the government pays her indebtedness in silver she is paying it in a better currency than in paper. All nations would be bankrupt to-day if they were asked to pay their indebtedness in gold. Can we not take silver the same as we are taking paper money? Silver will at least increase the volume of circulation, which is now, in our country, too limited to carry on business and makes rates too high."

"Money after all is only a commodity in the market," added Bishop McGovern earnestly. "When it is scarce it rates high; when it is abundant it rates low. If we increase the circulation by the free coinage of silver we are employing a better substitute than paper, because silver has an intrinsic value; paper has not. The opponents of the free coinage of silver assert that it will bankrupt us, but there is no more danger of our government becoming bankrupt by the free coinage of silver than there is by an extra issue of paper money and bonds."

"There is no danger of a general stampede being made on the United States treasury by the people or the creditors. This thing of preserving the credit of our nation is good sentiment, but our government discounted its own paper over its own counter during the civil war. The soldier was paid in paper money on the battlefield and the custom house duties were demanded in gold. We sold \$1,000 bonds for \$250 in gold and paid six per cent. interest in gold on the face value of them. To whose advantage is the gold standard? The Shylocks of Europe and the gold bugs of Wall street. And at whose loss? The toiling masses."

"Do you believe the prices of commodities would rise if we were to have free coinage of silver at a ratio of sixteen to one, as declared for by the Chicago platform?"

"Some commodities would probably increase in price," was the bishop's answer. "But wages would also rise. Free coinage would also help our manufacturers, because they would be better able to borrow money at fair rates. Every man would be employed and he would get his wages. When there are two employers after one man wages are bound to go up. And when there are two men after one boss for a job you may be sure wages are going down."

"What right has Europe to dictate

to us what kind of currency we ought to have? If they are not willing to take our currency let them not buy our exports. But they are not going to lose our trade. They will accommodate themselves to the circumstances. That will act as a tariff and be on a sliding scale and go up and down, just as Europeans want our trade."

Bishop McGovern said he believed the free coinage of silver would be a boon to the farmers in the West who pay 10 to 15 per cent. interest on their mortgages. Many of these people have bought land for \$5,000 on which they have paid \$3,000. They are paying 10 to 15 per cent. on the mortgage of \$2,000, which is now only the actual value of the property. The result is that in a short time the farmers will lose their property and be driven from their homes, like the tenant farmers of Ireland, and all the money they have paid on it.

The bishop says some national banks hoard up money whenever there is a financial depression, such as existed during the past three years, to loan through outside parties at exorbitant rates of interest. If we had more money Bishop McGovern thinks this would not be done. The farmer could pay his interest and prosper, the mechanic and laborer would be benefited and the banker would lose nothing.

"You hardly ever heard of a Catholic bishop opposing the poor," said the bishop. "Yes, I have read Mr. Bryan's speech, and in my judgment it is full of logic for an orator," he added. "I would rather have seen Bland, Boies or some other old line silver advocate nominated at Chicago, but I am satisfied with the nominations. I believe the Democrats will carry every state in November west of Pennsylvania, except California, and every Southern state, even Kentucky."

Bishop McGovern closed the interview by stating that all we need is confidence; and any man who has confidence that our railroads, steamship companies, banks, insurance companies, building associations, our government and the governments of Europe will pay their obligations in gold has confidence enough to eat shady hash and suspicious sausages without a single gorge rising at them.

Alphonsus Walsh will be the next Congressman for this district.

Work For 8000 Miners. Susquehanna Coal Company's Collieries to Start Monday.

At Nanticoke on Saturday notices were posted at the various collieries operated by the Susquehanna Coal Company, that work would be resumed on full time on Monday next. It is said that the company will continue this order during the remainder of this year, which is good news to at least 8000 miners, laborers and slate pickers.

There has been an increase in the number of registered voters this fall. There are more Democrats in Columbia County to-day than there ever were before. What will the majority be November 3rd? For some years past the majorities have been growing smaller and smaller. This fall let us bring it up to high water mark. Make it 2500. Don't let a voter stay at home.

Two years ago there was a political tidal wave that swept the whole country, and in the defeat of the Democratic party everywhere, a congressman was lost in this congressional district, M. H. Kulp of Northumberland county defeating C. R. Buckalew of this county, by about 900 majority in the district. A full Democratic vote in Columbia county would have elected Mr. Buckalew, so that it was the stay-at-home Democrats that lost the district to us in 1894. What are you going to do about it now? Are you going to stay at home on November 3rd, and turn the district over to Kulp again? No, never. Get out a full vote and redeem the county by giving an old-time majority.

Help

Is needed by poor, tired mothers, overworked and burdened with care, debilitated and run down because of poor, thin and impoverished blood. Help is needed by the nervous sufferer, the men and women tortured with rheumatism, neuralgia, dyspepsia, scrofula, catarrh. Help

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The Bryan and Sewall club was addressed on Monday night by Walter E. Ritter Esq., of Williamsport. There was a large attendance, and the speech was received with frequent applause.

Is there any reason why a single Democrat in this county ought not to vote for Alphonsus Walsh for Congress? Not one.

He is a Democrat; he is a lawyer of ability; he is a gentleman of culture and education; and Sullivan county is entitled to all that Columbia can do for her, in the way of a good big majority. Why can't that majority be 2500 this year?

M. H. Kulp was a member of the last congress, a body in which the Republican majority did nothing except to endeavor to prevent a Democratic administration from maintaining the credit of the nation; and to make extravagant appropriations of money. Mr. Kulp voted with the Republicans every time on every question. Is that any reason why Columbia county Democrats should vote for him for a second term?

Alphonsus Walsh, Democratic candidate for congress in this district, spent several days in Bloomsburg last week. As there are four counties in the district, of course it is impossible for him to go every where and see everybody. It would be very unfair for any Democrat to refuse to vote for him because Mr. Walsh has not personally solicited his support. No man can do impossible things. Mr. Walsh solicits the votes of all Democrats, and of all Republicans not in sympathy with their party this fall.

M. H. Kulp, Republican candidate for congress in this district, has sent letters to a large number of Democrats in this county, asking their support, and enclosing a button with his picture on it. What sort of an opinion can Mr. Kulp have of Democrats, if he believes that their votes can be won by a little taffy? And what claim has he on Democratic votes? He is in favor of a high protective tariff, and will vote for it in congress every time. Do Democrats want the McKinley bill again? If so, they will vote for Kulp. If not, they will resist his action by voting for Walsh.

Is there any reason why M. H. Kulp deserves Democratic votes to help send him back to Congress? Not one. His first election was purely an accident, and he never would have been nominated by the Republicans, if they had had any idea of his election. But he was carried in on the tidal wave that swept the country, and was conceded a re-nomination according to custom. His second election would be a blunder. He has done nothing to show any ability or fitness for the position, and has voted every time with the Republicans.

Besides, this is a Democratic district, and ought to be represented by a representative Democrat, and not by a very ordinary Republican, possessing not a single qualification of a statesman. The Democrats must go to the polls on November 3rd and vote for Alphonsus Walsh and the whole Democratic ticket. It was those who didn't vote at all in 1894 who elected Kulp, by cutting Mr. Buckalew's majority in this county down to a very low figure.

A GARD. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of county commissioner, for the south side of the river, and respectfully solicit the votes of Democrats and others who think that the south side ought to be represented.

CHARLES REICHAERT, Mainville, Pa.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE. The undersigned an auditor appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pa. to distribute the funds in the hands of B. D. Fross, trustee for the sale of the real estate of the Northern Columbia and Southern Luzerne Agricultural Association hereby gives notice that he will attend to the duty of his appointment at his office at 10 o'clock on Friday, November 22nd, 1896, at 8 o'clock a. m., at which time and place all parties interested are notified to present their claims or to be forever barred from coming in on said fund.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Richard Plumer, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, appointed an auditor to distribute the fund in the hands of the administrators of the estate of said deceased, will attend at his office on Centre street, Bloomsburg, on Tuesday the 17th day of November, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, when and where all persons having claims on said fund are requested to present the same, or be forever barred from coming in on said fund.

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G. W. WILLIAMS, Pres. Williams' College.

Married. Mr. George Holderman and Miss Emily Fenstermacher both of White Hall on the 7th day of Oct. 1896, by John W. Smith J. P. of Jerseytown.

EQUITY COURT RULES. IT IS ORDERED SEPTEMBER 7, 1896, THAT RULES in the Equity Court for the trial of causes at issue, may be entered on the Argument Rule Book on or before any monthly return day, fixing the time of trial at the second return day after entering the Rule—on twenty days notice to opposite party. BY THE COURT.