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"RIFLE AND GATLING GUNS"

To Subdue the Laboring Classes With Their Unions--Vicious Plans of Gold Advocates, Bribery and Use of Standing Army.

If American freeman need anything to convince them that the gold standard is not sought to be continued for the benefit of the masses, certainly the following startling letter should at least open their eyes. "The rule of force" is to be maintained, says the writer, an avowed McKinley man, if the Republican nominee is elected. But the letter speaks for itself and no comment is necessary. A word however, by way of explanation is in point. Judge George F. Patrick, the recipient of the letter containing a deliberate offer of bribery, is known throughout southern Colorado as a lawyer of the highest standing and a man of unimpeachable honor and integrity. He was the democratic nominee for the district bench at the last judicial election. Furthermore, he is a staunch silver man. When the letter was delivered to him last Saturday his anger was almost uncontrollable. He put the document at the disposal of the silver literature committee of the Bryan and Teller club and in circular form thousands of copies of the letter, Judge Patrick's reply, the affidavits and certificates, will be sent throughout the doubtful states in the next few days.

The letter came in a long plain, manilla envelope on Saturday, postmark "Boston, October 7th, 5 p. m. '96." It was received and marked at "Pueblo, October 10th, 11 a. m. '96." The letter, word for word, is as follows, and the writer of it carefully made a letter press copy of each sheet and of the envelope address as well:

"HON. GEO. F. PATRICK, Pueblo, Colo.,
"Boston, Mass., October 4, 1896.
"Milk Street."

"Dear Sir: I am requested by the secretary of one of our local Boston Sound Money clubs to write you with reference to securing your influence in the state of Colorado to forward the cause of Sound Money, and the election of McKinley to the presidency of these United States.

"Our secretary is informed that it is possible, in his informant's judgment, to secure your services, notwithstanding you are a Democrat.

"Now, Mr. Patrick, if I am mistaken in you, and the requests and tenor of this letter do not suit you, or your environment be such as to preclude the possibility of your accepting the requests contained in this letter, then my friend, if no answer is received, I will understand you decline to entertain my proposition, all of which I hope will not occur.

"In this connection let me assure you that many prominent men of your political faith all over the country are in the service of ours at one time political enemy, Mr. Hanna.

"In your state Colorado, we are very sanguine of success, but as your state is down on the list for allotment of certain benefits, and as we are assured there is a possibility of securing your four electoral votes, by hard work, and a judicious disposition of funds, and furthermore as WE HAVE ABUNDANCE OF THE 'SINEWS OF WAR,' I, in common with my colleagues, are agreed some united effort should be made in your seat. I understand there is a strong undercurrent of opinion in Colorado, favorable to Mr. Wolcott, that only needs a little greasing to burst forth in support of that noble Republican.

"Now, my dear Mr. Patrick, you are located too far from the seat of war to understand why we gold men are striving so hard to defeat Mr. Bryan and elect Mr. McKinley, and possibly are not aware that to elect Mr. Bryan means financial ruin to many of our greatest men. WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN OPENLY DECLARES WAR ON ALL TRUST COMPANIES AND as he is pleased to term it, "MONEY POWER." On the contrary Mr. MCKINLEY IS SWORN TO PROTECT us, so in self defense we are striving to protect ourselves. I trust you understand.

"IF WE DO NOT SECURE CONTROL OF GOVERNMENTAL METHODS NOW WE FEAR LAWS WILL SOON BE ENACTED WHICH WILL PREVENT THE FORMATION AND CONTINUANCE OF TRUSTS, AND THAT THE PROFITS OF BUSINESS WILL BECOME TOO WIDELY SCATTERED. Some of our people, the more timid ones, fear we may push the reduction of values a little too far, and that the common people may revolt, but let me assure you, my dear Mr. Patrick, that in the event of MR. MCKINLEY'S ELECTION A BILL WILL AT ONCE BE INTRODUCED IN CONGRESS TO INCREASE THE STANDING ARMY TO AT LEAST 250,000 MEN, WHICH WILL BE DONE IN THE EVENT OF THE SUCCESS OF THE GOLD FORCES: the criminal classes, the discontented classes, and LABOR CLASSES, WITH THEIR UNIONS AND STRIKERS WILL SUCCEUMB TO THE RULE OF FORCE, AND NO LONGER PLAY ANY PART IN AMERICAN POLITICS. IMAGINE A revolt with a greek trained force of REGULAR SOLDIERS IN EVERY MONEY CENTRE WITH READY RIFLE AND GATLING GUN TO HOLD IN CHECK ANY DEMONSTRATION TO THE contrary.

"IF WE ONLY SUCCEED, CAPITAL WILL once more be safe in its investments, and able to procure LABOR IN THE OPEN MARKET AT THE LOWEST PRICE POSSIBLE.

"Of course, Mr. Patrick, you need not allow these remarks to be made public, as they might do our cause injury among laborers, and such business men as believe it necessary for labor to prosper, but when you meet a capitalist, a banker, or one of whom you are sure, just disabuse his or their minds, if they are inclined to be timid.

"I solemnly assure you that when MR. HANNA GETS CONTROL, strikes will soon be disposed of.

"Now, Mr. Patrick, if I am correctly informed, you are a gold man, and with you sound money and your country's integrity come first. This being true, and in order to quickly come to an understanding, I wish to ask you a plain question, coupled with a business proposition.

"Will you for a consideration commensurate with your worth join us, and in your state do your share to quietly aid the honest gold party, and aid in the election of McKinley?

"If you will, and also assist in placing the funds necessary for your state, you will in the event of your success, receive recognition. One of Mr. Hanna's assistants will pay you a visit shortly to arrange the details.

"Your reply need not go into details, since as a shrewd lawyer you will understand. If you decide to accept wire answer. The single word 'yes' is sufficient. Awaiting your reply, and respectfully requesting immediate attention to this long letter, I am,

Respectfully Yours,
SAM'L C. PRESSLEY."

"P. S.—The writer met you once in Silver City, N. M., but you have forgotten him by this time, no doubt."

Then as to the receipt of the letter by Judge Patrick the following affidavit was made:

"State of Colorado, } ss.
"County of Pueblo, }
"Alfred H. Long, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, upon his oath deposes and says, that he is a son of ex-chief Justice Long, of New Mexico; that he was present in the office of G. F. Patrick in the opera house, in the city of Pueblo, on the afternoon of the 10th day of October, A. D., 1896; and that he was present when Mr. Patrick received through the regular channels of the mail, and opened and read the foregoing letter.
ALFRED H. LONG.

"Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of October, A. D., 1896.
"R. S. ANDERSON, Notary Public.
(SEAL.)
"My Commission expires July 16, 1898."

Judge Patrick's standing in the community is attested by the following statement signed by Dr. A. T. King, mayor of the city of Pueblo:

"I take pleasure in certifying that I have known G. F. Patrick, Esq., for some years, and know him to be a man of moral and intellectual worth, and one of the leading attorneys of the city, and unhesitatingly vouch for him as an honorable and truthful citizen.
A. T. KING, Mayor."

ALWAYS WAS A SURPLUS.

In the Treasury When the Bond Issues Were Made—Misleading Statement Knocked Out by Figures.

The republicans when driven to the wall for arguments to continue their opposition to silver, assert that the recent bond issues of \$262,000,000 were not made to maintain the gold reserve, but were caused by the deficiency in revenues. They never give figures, however to prove this statement, for the reason that if the figures were given, they would show that the statement is false. Figures as taken from the United States treasurer's report show that the surplus in the treasury was always sufficient for the ordinary expenses of the government, and that the bond issues were made simply and solely to maintain the \$100,000,000 gold reserve, when gold raiders had reduced that reserve below the customary limit.

The Hon. Henry M. Teller took the trouble to look up these figures, and in a speech delivered in the senate on April 29, 1896, he showed up the false economic course that the goldites were pursuing in its true light. We would remind the reader that this speech was delivered at a time before Mr. Teller left the republican party, and before the republicans met in their national convention at St. Louis. It was delivered by a republican before either party had made their declarations for the single gold and the two metal standards. Shortly after Mr. Teller, Hon. A. O. Bacon addressed the senate on the same subject, and in the course of his remarks he quoted the following from President Cleveland's last annual message:

"At no time when bonds have been issued has there been any consideration of the question of paying the expenses of government with their proceeds. There was no necessity to consider that question. At the time of each bond issue we had a safe surplus in the treasury for ordinary operations, exclusive of the gold in our reserve. In February, 1894 when the first issue of bonds was made, such surplus amounted to over \$18,000,000; in November, when the second issue was made, it amounted to more than \$22,000,000, and in February, 1895, when bonds for the third time were issued, such surplus amounted to more than \$100,000,000. It now amounts to \$95,072,200.30

"Besides all this, the secretary of the treasury had no authority whatever to issue bonds to increase the ordinary revenues or pay current expenses.

"This relates to the first three bond issues and states the amount of surplus in the treasury at the date of each of them. Since the date of that message \$100,000,000 more of bonds have been issued for the same purpose, and at the date of that issue the treasurer's account showed the balance in hand of \$180,000,000. So that even if we had the guarantee of a large, continuing balance in our favor in the treasury, it would be no defence against the future issue of bonds if this law remains in force. One hundred and eighty millions of dollars in the treasury in February last did not protect the people against the issue of \$200,000,000 of bonds, and a like amount in the treasury in the future will be equally impotent to protect them against an equal or greater issue of bonds within the next few months."

"It cannot be too often repeated that the people of the United States have been, through an executive order, loaded with a debt of \$262,000,000, besides an equal amount of interest, as the money price they have been required to pay for maintaining the gold standard for a little more than two years; and there is every indication that in the succeeding twelve months there will be added to this another payment by the people of certainly \$100,000,000 of bonds, and probably twice that amount. This tribute which the people already have been compelled to pay in time of peace, solely to maintain the gold standard, added to the additional payments which, in all probability, will be exacted of them in another year, will, with the accruing interest, equal the amount which Germany with the pent-up animosity of a century, exacted as a ransom from France when she lay crushed and helpless at the mercy of her hereditary foe."

The latter prophecy of Mr. Bacon only failed of fulfillment by the goldites supplying the treasury with sufficient yellow metal to hold the reserve intact until after the election is over, for they feared that if another bond issue were made, it would have a disastrous effect upon their cause.

A Wheeling Match.

At Potter's bank, two active politicians of opposite politics, John Strong and Wil Smith have agreed whichever loses his presidential candidate the defeated fellow must push the victorious chapper wheel-barrow express from Long's store to Reich's hotel, a half mile distant, to the music of the band and the yells of young America.

SUMNER AN ANARCHIST.

In this campaign any democrat who has the courage to criticize any act of the supreme court is branded as an anarchist. It may be of interest at this time to publish an extract from Charles Sumner's speech in the United States Senate on the Dred Scott decision. He said:

"Let me here say that I hold Judges, and especially the Supreme Court of the country, in much respect, but I am too familiar with the history of judicial proceedings to regard them with any superstitious reverence. Judges are but men; and in all ages have shown a fair share of frailty. Alas! alas! the worst crime, of history have been perpetrated under their sanction. The blood of martyrs and of patriots, crying from the ground, summons them to judgement.

It was a judicial tribunal which condemned Socrates to drink the fatal hemlock and which pushed the Saviour bare-foot over the pavements of Jerusalem, bending beneath his cross. It was a judicial tribunal which, against the testimony and entreaties of her father, surrendered the fair Virginia to a slave; which arrested the teachings of the great apostle to the gentiles and sent him in bonds from Judea to Rome; which, in the name of the old religion, adjudged the saints and fathers of the Christian Church to death in all its most dreadful forms, and which afterward, in the name of the new religion, enforced the tortures of the Inquisition amid the shrieks and agonies of its victims while it compelled Galileo to declare, in solemn denial to the great truth he had disclosed, that the earth did not move around the sun.

It was a judicial tribunal which, in France, during the long reign of her monarchs, lent itself to be the instrument of every tyranny, as during the brief reign of terror it did not hesitate to stand forth the unspitting accessory to the unspitting guillotine. Aye, sir, it was a judicial tribunal in England, surrounded by all forms of law, which sanctioned every despotic caprice of Henry VIII., from the unjust divorce of his Queen to the beheading of Sir Thomas Moore, which lighted the fires of persecution, that glowed at Oxford and Smithfield, over the cinders Latimer, Ridley and John Rodgers; which, after elaborate argument, upheld the fatal tyranny of ship money against the patriotic resistance of Hampden; which in defiance of justice and humanity, sent Sydney and Russell to the block; which presently enforced the laws of conformity that our Puritan fathers persistently refused to obey, and which afterward, with Jefferys on each bench, crimsoned the pages of English history with massacre and murder, even with the blood of innocent women.

Aye, sir, and it was a judicial tribunal in our country, surrounded by all the forms of law, which hung witches at Salem, which affirmed the Constitutionality of the Stamp Act, while it admonished "jurors and the people" to obey; and which now, in our day, has lent its sanction to the unutterable atrocity of the Fugitive Slave law.

THE LAWS AND VALUES.

Later is, Can and will Be Constitutional Fixed by the former Powers of Congress.

To the Editor of the Post:

CAMBRIDGEBORO, Pa., Oct. 5.

In your issue of to-day I find a card as printed on a pay envelope issued by the Carbon Iron and Steel Company of last Saturday, as follows:

A NEW TABLE OF VALUES

To be printed in every school arithmetic when we have free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1:

WHEN
Six inches make one foot,
Eight ounces make one pound,
Sixteen quarts make one bushel,
Fifty cents will make one dollar.

I wish to match that card with the following trump card:

ANOTHER NEW TABLE OF VALUES.

If you believe in—
A six-inch foot,
An eight-ounce pound,
A sixteen quart bushel,
A two-quart gallon.

Then you can believe in a 50 cent dollar.

The same law which says—
Twelve inches shall make one foot,
Sixteen ounces shall make one pound,
Thirty-two quarts shall make one bushel,
Four quarts shall make one gallon.

Also says: 42 1/2 grains of silver, nine-tenths fine, shall be one dollar.

Feet, pounds, bushels, gallons and dollars are made by law. Here is the law which establishes all measures, including money:

"Congress shall have power to coin the money, regulate the value thereof, fix the value of the foreign coins and adjust the weights and measures."—Constitution of the United States.

The people are determined to have more lawful money and less misery; money for the millions as well as the millionaires; more of the golden rule and no so much of the rule of gold.

Let us have American laws, American money and the American flag for the American people, as against British laws, English gold basis and paupers, and the English flag. We can and will lead, and never follow, and our leader is W. J. Bryan, the second Lincoln, and we will be sure. MORTIMER WHITEHEAD.

It is time for work—stop arguing—that every voter comes to the polls.

THE TRUTH SHOWN.

KINSLOE'S FALSEHOOD EXPOSED.

To the Miners of Clearfield and Centre Counties:

In our last week's issue we took notice of the attack made upon Col. Spangler, our nominee for Congress, by Kinsloe of the "Bituminous Record." As therein stated, we examined the contract alleged to have been taken at a cut price and found that it was not taken at a price below that fixed by the "soft coal agreement" entered into between the operators of the Tyrone and Clearfield and other regions; but contained the same stipulation, made for the benefit of the purchaser, that is contained in all contracts for coal, where the delivery thereof extends over a period of months, namely: that the price "IS SUBJECT TO ANY REDUCTION THAT SHALL BE MADE FROM THE ABOVE PRICE DURING THE PERIOD OF THE CONTRACT FOR COAL EQUAL IN QUALITY MADE BY REPUTABLE SHIPPERS, OR THE PURCHASER TO HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF CANCELING SAID CONTRACT."

We also showed that when Kinsloe charged that "Duncan & Spangler" had cut the price of coal and were thereby enabled to obtain a contract from the "Boston & Albany Railroad," which had deprived the Clearfield region miners of digging 125,000 tons of coal HE STATED WHAT WAS NOT TRUE AND DID IT MALICIOUSLY, FOR THE BOOKS AND CONTRACTS OF DUNCAN & SPANGLER ARE OPEN FOR INSPECTION, AND HE COULD HAVE ASCERTAINED THE TRUTH IN RELATION TO THIS MATTER. BUT THE TRUTH AND KINSLOE HAVE LONG BEEN STRANGERS TO EACH OTHER.

Any miners, or Committee representing the miners of the region, can easily ascertain what still more clearly shows the malice of Kinsloe's charge, to wit, that the contract Duncan & Spangler are filling WAS NOT FILLED OR LOADED IN THE CLEARFIELD REGION LAST YEAR as alleged by Kinsloe, and consequently NO INJURY IS DONE THE MINERS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, but on the other hand Col. Spangler by getting the contract has kept his men at work instead of being idle.

Will Kinsloe tell the miners of this Congressional District why he advised them to vote for Col. Spangler in the columns of the Record, and only after he went to DuBois he decided that Col. Spangler was unworthy of the support of the miners?

Will Kinsloe tell the miners who in the past has betrayed the secrets of their organization to the man who holds a commission as a Coal and Iron Police in this region and is a salaried employee of one of the biggest corporations in the region.

Why did not Kinsloe tell the miners that Col. Spangler PAYS HIS MEN TWICE A MONTH IN CASH AND THEY HAVE THE RIGHT TO BUY WHERE THEY PLEASE; THAT HE KEEPS NO COMPANY STORE AND IS IN NO WAY DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY INTERESTED IN ANY STORE?

If Kinsloe wanted to advance the interests of the men, he would urge them to support the man who cheerfully obeys the laws made for their benefit.

The whole purport of this uncalculated and untruthful attack upon Col. Spangler is to advance the interest of Mr. Arnold, who in his speech printed in the Congressional record of the last session of Congress OPENLY ADVOCATED THE GOLD STANDARD and is now an avowed advocate thereof.

The miner, workman and toiler, in any business who believe in free coinage of silver should not allow himself to be misled by the malicious and false attack upon Col. Spangler, but vote for him, for he has shown himself to be one of a very few operators who OBEY THE COMPANY STORE LAW as well as THE SEMI-MONTHLY PAY LAW and is also an able and earnest advocate of bimetalism.

Mr. Kinsloe has promised to deliver the votes of the miners to Mr. Arnold. Does he carry them in this pocket? Can he deliver them? We will see—Spirit.

A TOT PLAYS WITH BEAR CUBS.

Found in a Woods by Searchers Who Have a Desperate Fight With the Mother.

Early Saturday morning, Helma Oethli, a 5 year old girl wandered away from her home at Snow Shoe. Later in the day her parents grew alarmed at her absence, and a party of neighbors searched in quest of the missing tot. The child was finally discovered in a small clearing, where to the surprise of the searches, she was seen romping with two bear cubs.

After the child had been carried to a place of safety an effort was made to capture the cubs alive. The animals made such a commotion that a large female bear, evidently the mother of the cubs, was attracted to the scene. She charged the party of woodsmen who were attempting to carry off the cubs, and made it quite interesting for them for a time.

The men were unarmed, except with revolvers and clubs, and a desperate struggle ensued at close quarters. Her bearship was finally killed, but not before several members of the party were terribly bitten and clawed by the enraged bear. The carcass of the bear weighed 250 pounds.

Death at Milesburg.

Mrs. Anna Adams died at her residence in Milesburg, on Sunday Oct. 26, of heart failure. Her death occurred during the night unnoticed by any of her friends.

She retired in her usual health and was found dead in the morning. Her age was 68 years. The interment occurred in the Union cemetery, Bellefonte, on Tuesday afternoon. She was a devout member of the Methodist church. There survive her: Chas., Milesburg; T. Frank, Bellefonte; Richard, Phillipsburg; William Boggs twp.; George and Fannie, at home. Thomas Adams, her husband, now in his 77th year survives her also.

REPUBLICANS, in some sections, are not very anxious about part of their legislative ticket. What does it mean?

It is your patriotic duty to turn out next Tuesday and aid in the battle for financial independence.

It is time to stop arguing. Every democrat should assist in getting out the vote on Tuesday.

Go to the polls early on Tuesday and be sure that every democratic voter in your section turns out.

A vote for Arnold means that you want the gold standard continued in this country.

CAL HARPER is one of the most obliging men to be found. The public appreciate such men and will give him their hearty support.

We must send a free silver congressman from this district. Vote for Spangler.

A VOTE for McKinley means paying tribute to English capitalists.

This government is old enough to legislate for itself.

The welfare of the masses, and not favoritism for the classes. Vote for Bryan.

In Republican state platform of 1890:

"Resolved. That the phenomenal increase of our population and our commerce, foreign and domestic, with the decrease in the circulation of our national banks, renders it imperatively essential to the general good, judgment, that there shall be a speedy and substantial increase in the circulation of the country."

Married.

On Wednesday evening Mr. Webb Kerstetter, and Miss Millie M. Furey, of Spring township, were married at the residence, of the brides parents. Mr. Kerstetter is the proprietor of the Bishop street bakery and one of our prosperous young men who is deserving of such an accomplished bride.

Chicken and Oyster Supper.

The leaders of the St John's Reformed church, of this place, will hold a chicken and oyster supper in the vacant room, in Criders exchange, on Friday evening between the hours of 5 and 9 p. m. Among the features will be a scripture cake. All are invited to come.

Death of Mrs. Robt. Cook.

Mrs. Robert Cook, of Howard, mother of John Cook, died at he home in Howard, on Sunday of paralysis. Mrs. Cook was an aged lady. Funeral took from her late residence on Tuesday and was well attended.

If you want old Centre firm in line for free silver in November, get to the polls early on Tuesday and vote.

One Week Attraction.

Six nights, commencing November 2, special engagement of Day, the modern hypnotist, in a grand production of startling hypnotic novelties. It will be a fashionable event. If you want to enjoy a hearty laugh don't fail to witness this pleasing entertainment.

There will be a change of programme nightly. Popular prices, 10, 20 and 30 cents. At Garman's opera house, one week, commencing Monday, Nov. 2.

UNDER a gold standard mortgages have been piling up five times as fast as under gold and silver. The people are getting in debt more and more each year.

Killed by a Train.

Harry Somerville, a son of James Somerville of Winburn Clearfield county, was killed on Monday. He was struck by a train at Canajoharie, New York and almost instantly killed.

The Somervilles formerly resided in Bellefonte.

FOR years the Grangers of Centre county have been advocating free silver. They know they were injured by falling prices. Now is their time to act. Vote as you believe is right. This is no political issue—it means much to the farmer.

Get out and vote on Tuesday.