

WITTY "BOB" INGERSOLL.

Abridged Excerpts From His Latest Speech.

In Terse Sentences He Lays Bare His Ideas on the Money Question.

The following abridged sentences have been drawn from the first half of Robert G. Ingersoll's great speech last week in Chicago. While necessarily condensing the expressions, we have, as far as possible, preserved the language and sharp, crisp and witty style of the distinguished orator.

Money, said Colonel Ingersoll, is not something that man can create, but something man must find. It is beyond the power of legislation to make money. A greenback is no more money than a bill of fare is a dinner.

Anything Government issues as money that is a promise to pay is not money. Money is that which does not have to be redeemed. Government can no more create money than it can create corn. When you make a dollar out of silver you've got to put a dollar's worth of silver into it, if it makes it as big as a cartwheel.

You do not add to the value of gold by coining it any more than you add to the value of wheat by measuring it or to the value of coal by weighing it.

Good money is money even if the Government is bankrupt. Good money is money whether issued by Lazarus or Dives. A gold piece coined 2,500 years ago, when Caesar rode at the head of his legions, is as good to-day as when Rome flourished.

When you issue a bill or note you want somebody behind it, behind the promise. But good money needs no guarantor.

Money is a commodity, nothing more, nothing less. When a man gives wheat for gold he buys so much gold.

When we issued greenbacks and called them money we had good times, but were getting into debt. When the time came to pay the people said, let us issue more greenbacks and have more good times. But when the time of payment finally comes hard times come along with it.

Money buys a farm or wagon on credit and sends Mary to school on credit. The time comes when payment is demanded and John says, "Gentlemen, I never had better times than when I was giving these notes. I've got plenty more; please, in philanthropy, take them and my family can remain happy."

Good money is always good. When people buy good money with bad money they say the good money is at a premium. That is not so; the bad money is at a discount.

Here is a man running for the Presidency preaching that money is a creature of law. Law is often the creature of money, but law was never yet the creature of law. If we can make money by law, why shall we not all be rich, for law is inexhaustible.

If you can turn dirt into money no nation has an excuse for being poor. If Government can make money by law why levy taxes?

In his mind, he wants to marry some woman that no other man on God's earth would have.

If anything is to be paid for in good money, labor is that thing. Let the big fellows take cheap money; let the big fellows live on the soil he paid in gold.

I want money of this country as good as that of any other country in the world. When our money is below par, we feel below par. I want our money so good that when a savage looks on it his eyes will gleam as though he looks at shining gold.

I want to teach the people of the world that a democracy is honest, that America is not only capable of self-government, but that it has the courage and self-denial to pay its debts to the last farthing.

You have a man running around saying "vote for me and you can pay your debts in 50-cent dollars." That's what he says to them, people in debt. It is not an honest proposition. But the creditor asks "You are not going to cheat me, are you?" And he replies "No, I won't. I will make silver worth \$1.20; free silver will make silver dollars as good as gold dollars.

In all speeches Bryan has been guilty of this contradiction, cheap silver for debtors and silver as good as gold for creditors; and, do you know, that man has never seen the inconsistency of these two statements.

When Bryan appeals to the farmers he assumes them to be all rascals. It is an insult to the farmer. I regard the farmer as honest, and when the sun shines, and when the rain falls, and the frost waits, he will pay his debts. The farmers are not all Populists. You will find the Populists in the towns, great cities and villages. They want to get rich by law. They are tired of work.

If you can make silver 16 to 1 by law when it is 31 to 1—make sixteen ounces of silver the value of an ounce of gold—what is the use of wasting all that silver? Why not put in another clause and make it 1 to 1?

If by fiat we can add 48 cents worth of law to 52 cents worth of silver and make a dollar, why not make all fiat and use the silver for forks and spoons?

One of our dollars is to-day 16 to 1, made equal to gold; but how is it made equal to gold? Because the Government promises to redeem it in gold. If there was only one grain of silver in it it would be the same.

Some 51 cents worth of silver is in the dollar to-day; withdraw the Government promise and the dollar will be worth 51 or 52 cents, no more.

You see it is promise, not fiat, and as long as the promise is good the dollar is good.

A promise to pay is not money. A promise to pay is like a nomination for office, and the fulfillment of the promise is like the election, and on the 4th of November Mr. Bryan will understand the difference between promise and fulfillment.

In 1792 we set up the double standard. In the case of Andrew and Jefferson and Hamilton fixed the ratio at 15 to 1. But a double standard is hard to maintain. France changed her ratio more than a hundred times. As Dogberry says, "Where two men ride a horse, one rides behind."

In 1806 we found there was too much silver in the silver dollar, and Jefferson stopped the coinage. No more was coined until 1837, and then it was that Congress adopted a gold standard.

In 1853 we lessened the silver in the silver dollar, and from the beginning we coined to 1873 only 8,000,000 silver dollars, and they had all gone out of circulation by 1873. There was too much silver in them and the people melted them up. So the fathers put less into the coin that it might not be exported and go to the melting pot.

What have the "enemies" of silver done since then? Coined since 1873 430,000,000 of the dollars, and yet silver has kept going down; and we are coining 2,000,000 of silver dollars a month now, and floating them all on the promise of the Government to maintain the parity.

Senator Jones voted for the Act of 1873, and said "gold was the mother of civilization." Senator Stewart voted for it, and said "gold was the only standard." They have changed their minds.

They say I used to talk the other way. I have never changed my mind on this money question. I was opposed to demonetization of silver, because it put an additional burden on debtors. But here is the trouble now. All the debts due in 1873, or made then, have been paid or are outlawed. We cannot help the debtors injured then. You can't help the debtors of 1873 by injuring the creditors of 1896. The thing was acquiesced in by the commercial world, and this nation cannot correct the mistake of mankind.

Believing silver demonetized in '73, I denounced it. I wanted it remonetized, but I wanted good dollars.

I said twenty years ago at Cooper Union in New York of honest money. I am in favor of gold and silver. I am in favor of paper with gold and silver behind it. I believe in silver, because it is one of the great American products, and I am in favor of anything that will add to the value of an American product, but I want a silver dollar worth a gold dollar, even if you have to make it four feet in diameter."

A great Republic cannot afford to stamp a lie on silver, gold or paper. It cannot afford to be a clipper of coins.

They say that during the war we have uttered money. I never saw it. I lived years without enriching my eyes with the sight of a dollar.

You cannot make a paper dollar a dollar without taking a dollar's worth of paper.

I want paper issued by the Government, but I want every one of these papers with a dollar's worth of gold or silver behind it, so that every greenback under the flag can lift up its hands and swear, "I know that my redeemer liveth."

For nations and individuals honesty is the best policy; better be an honest bankrupt than a rich thief. A thousand times better be poor and noble than rich and fraudulent.

They say gold has been cornered. Let us see. When wheat is cornered the price goes up. This is why they corner it. If gold has been cornered the rate of interest should have gone up, yet that rate has steadily gone down from 1873 to 1896.

Where has the gold gone, you ask. It is here in this country—\$600,000,000 of it—and making every bank bill and silver dollar good.

How do you keep the rich speculators from cornering silver, the silver cornerer good? If it is good they will get it; if it is not good, you don't want it. Free coinage will bring prosperity, they say. I am not a prophet that can see into the future as far as any Populist. I want prosperity—that is my falling. What kind of prosperity will free coinage bring to us? That with \$600,000,000 of gold driven out. We have only \$1,500,000,000 of specie. There would be about \$700,000,000 left, part greenbacks. On a silver basis the greenbacks would be redeemed in silver; they would then be worth about 50 cents on the dollar—so would the national bank bills.

What else? The silver dollars would be cut in two; that would leave us with but \$350,000,000 currency specie and paper, or about \$5 a head for the people.

What else? Everyone on an income would have to live on half as much as now; every soldier's pension would be cut dead in two—every one.

What else? Every man that had a debt would be called in to pay it before the law caught him. Business would stop; no money; panic would come and bankruptcy would become universal. And that is what these gentlemen would call prosperity.

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Foreign Immigration is known to be a great injury to America, and the patriotic farmers and laborers of the Second District should unite in sending a man to Congress who they know will have much influence and will work for American laborers. That man is Grove L. Johnson.

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