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## A SOLDIERLY REPLY.

Capt. E. Boltwood, of Ottawa, was recently approached by letter by the Democratic campaign managers of Chicago, asking him to assist them in scattering some of their campaign literature, concealed in the treacherous covers of an agricultural journal, among the old soldiers of Franklin county and the State generally.

The Farm, Field and Fireside is the agricultural journal referred to and its Democratic owners have heretofore kept politics out of it. The issue of September 8 was sold, however, to the Democratic committee which evidently took charge of its editorial matter which is arranged after the style of patent medicine advertisements, the first being entitled: "Old Ned; Another Veteran Gone; Interesting Sketch of the Favorite Steed." Following this and appearing as official G. A. R. matter is an "Open Letter to Comrades" The letter, beginning quite blandly, extends over a page with the most rabid attacks on the present administration and an appeal to all veterans to line up for Bryan.

Through the courtesy of the Ottawa Herald, both the letter accompanying the copy of the journal sent to Capt. Boltwood, and his reply are published in the REGISTER, for what has happened in Franklin county will very probably happen here.

The letter to Capt. Boltwood follows:

Chicago, Ill., September 27, 1900.—Capt. Boltwood, Ottawa, Kansas—Dear Sir: On September 15th I sent you a letter relating to an "open letter" addressed to veterans, from the committee of the Veterans' Bryan League; also, there was enclosed a letter from Chairman D. C Tillotson, inasmuch as we do not have your full name it is possible the letter went astray though it has not been returned to the committee headquarters as yet. Acting on the possibility that you did not get that letter, I enclose herewith pages of the number of our paper containing the "open letter". Wish you would look it over and if you think it worth while would assist us in distributing it in Kansas. I myself, pay one-half the cost, leaving a net cost of $10 for each thousand, which, as you observe, would be merely what the postage would cost on a circular.

We are sending it out in this form in the Farm, Field and Fireside at the suggestion of Senator Jones, and Col. Bryan, himself, who said to the writer that he thought it would be more effective going out in that form.

We have already received $50 toward the expense for Kansas. According to the report of the inspector there are now in Kansas 239 posts with an active membership of 10,481. This would make the total cost, in addition to what I pay, $104.81 for the entire state. If you cannot send $10, according to our our plan in securing ten who would contribute that amount, we would be pleased to receive $5 or whatever amount you feel that you can give, so as to complete the distribution to every veteran in the state. We are, also, taking up other states such as Michigan and Wisconsin in a similar way and have already sent to Indiana. Respectfully your Comrade, C. W. Howard, President Veterans' Bryan League.

In reply to this the gallant veteran of the Civil War and late Captain of Company K, Twentieth Kansas Volunteers during their campaign in the Philippines, wrote as follows:

Ottawa, Kansas, Oct. 1, 1900—Gen. C. H. Howard, President Veteran Bryan League, Chicago, Ill.—Dear Sir: Yours of September 27 was duly received. I also received a letter about the middle of last month, but I supposed it to be a circular political letter and destroyed it.

I have carefully read your last as well as the "open letter" published in the Farm, Field and Fireside entitled "An Open Letter to Comrades." a political address and argument to influence veterans to cast their votes for Col. Bryan for president and I am asked to assist by money and work, in distributing a copy of the above named paper containing the "open letter" referred to, to every veteran in the State."

I judge from your letter that you must be mistaken in regard to my political status, which I will take great pleasure in defining. I cast my first vote for president in 1860 for Abraham Lincoln, and my last vote four years ago, for William McKinley, and being well pleased with his stewardship, I expect to vote for him again in November, making eleven times I will have voted for candidates for presidents. I am most heartily opposed to the leading issues of the Bryan party, viz: free silver, and the so-called anti-imperialism.

The first was settled four years ago and is regarded as a dead issue by the country at large including three-fourths of the Democratic party as demonstrated at its convention at Kansas City where Col. Bryan showed his views on imperialism by forcing down the unwilling throats of three-fourths of the delegates the nauseating plank of free silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

Imperialism, of which so much is said in the "open letter" is, I think, well defined by Judge Norton, late a justice of the supreme court of Missouri, and a Democrat, who says: "It is a scarecrow which scares nobody." And as ex-Governor Churchill of Arkansas, another Democrat, says: "Imperialism means nothing and is simply used to scare the ignorant."

The quotations from Lincoln in the "open letter" when considered in their full connecting sentences would no doubt be fully endorsed by President McKinley and all other good Republicans, but how Col. Bryan or any of his kind, occupying the same position and clothed in the mantles of Vorhees and Valandingham can utter the name of Lincoln and not have their throats parched, is more than I can understand.

I was in the service from 1861 to 1866, and some of the most discouraging things we had to contend with were the acts of those legitimate political ancestors and predecessors of the present so-called "anti-imperialists," the "copperheads" and "Knights of the Golden Circle," representing one wing of the Democratic party, whose newspapers came down to the men at the front covered with the coarsest cartoons, and vilest epithets, concerning the great patriot whose name they now bring forward to help their failing cause, and now their successors are engaged in the same unpatriotic business of villifying and calumniating their government and thereby assisting its enemies.

In my allusion to Copperhead Democrats, I do not wish to be misunderstood. There was a large part of these Democrats who put country before party and nobly and heroically strengthened the hands of the government by their fortunes and their lives. History repeats itself and many of these men and their sons are to be found at this time in the same good work.

A word about the situation in the Philippines. The Filipinos, in the "open letter," are referred to as men who are seeking liberty. Our government is accused of governing them, or trying to do so, without their consent. If I remember rightly, during the great civil war there was some such talk, and there were four years of preliminary argument before the consent of the 10,000,000 people struggling for their freedom" was finally obtained. I was a member of the Twentieth Kansas and was with the regiment in the Philippines. I took great pains to inform myself as to the wishes of the "plain people" of that country and their feeling toward the Americans and having interviewed hundreds, from Manila to San Fernando, I believe I am as well informed as to their feelings and wishes as anyone can be who is 10,000 miles away, and has never come into actual contack with the people and knows nothing of their wishes except through other parties who might be interested in concealing their true condition.

The result of these many interviews causes me to believe that not five per cent of the people of the district we occupied are at heart opposed to us and nearly every one asked will answer, "Americano mucha wano," and "Aguinaldo is mucha milo." Upon our regiment's return to Manila after an absence of several months at the front, we were greeted by large numbers of our Filipino friends with expressions of joy only second to that of the Americans when we reached our native land.

It may be asked: If such is their feeling towards us, how do they maintain so much armed opposition to the United States? My answer is, How does the great democratic party support issues repugnant to three-fourths of its members.

Militarism, referred to in the "open letter," is another bugaboo resorted to "to scare the ignorant," appeals to the anarchists and their sympathizers; men who oppose all means of enforcing law, from a constable to an army, their hatred to which is only measured by the power to compel obedience to the laws of the land.

The Standard Oil company also comes in for a large share of criticism and the Republican party is made responsible for allowing it to be so successful in business, assuming that its wealth is all ill-gotten. The Croker dile tears of these great Bryan leaders are very affecting.

A few years ago Colonel Bryan virtually held a monopoly or trust of lecture bureaus, and like the Standard Oil company, he worked his graft for all that was in it. He gave an address or lecture before the Chatauqua assembly at Forest park in this city for a per cent of the gross receipts. He left town before night and was paid in cash $600, and as people were still coming in suggested to the secretary that any balance which might accrue be forwarded to him, and the books of the association show that $21.45 was afterward sent to him by mail. I was at the time working hard jall day for $1, six hundred and twenty-one days to earn what he received for one day. I only mention this to show that Colonel Bryan as well as the Rockefellers will take all he can get whether it be in political honors or cold cash.

Does anyone believe that in case Mr. Bryan was elected trusts and monopolies would cease to exist? Mr. Bryan's predictions of what will come to pass if he is not elected and what will happen if he is elected, has about as much weight as a thistle down, for his reputation as a propbet, judging from the forecasts made by him four years ago, is not A1.

It is generally believed that the copperheads of the north prolonged the civil war for more than a year, so now I believe that Colonel Bryan and other men of his faith, if they did not in the first place cause the present war, are responsible for its being continued, and consequently, for the lives of many of the brave boys who died in the Philippines while fighting for their country, and the present condition will exist until the formality has been gone through with of giving the people a chance to reiterate their faith in McKinley.

You refer in the "open letter" to the names of men who were once leading Republicans but are now supporting Bryan. It always causes a sadness to come over me when I hear of an old man putting away the wife of his youth and marrying a young girl. It is a sign that the end is at hand. I would not advise these great men, but I may be pardoned for calling attention to the passage of scripture which speaks of the risk of putting new wine into old bottles.

For the reason given I decline to assist, either by time or money, in distributing the paper containing the "open letter" to "every veteran in the state" or to give any other aid or comfort to the enemy. At first I intended writing to you personally the reasons why I could not comply with your wishes, but the more I think about it, the more I think Col. Bryan and his anti-trust friend and manager, Senator Jones, contemplated a little guerilla warfare, using the Farm, Field and Fireside as a sort of decoy duck, to lead the unsuspecting vets into an ambuscade.

Consequently, I will make this reply, another "open letter."—Very respectfully yours, Edmund Boltwood.

"I have always used Foley's Honey and Tar cough medicine and think it the best in the world," says Chas. Bender, a newsdealer of Erie, Pa Take no substitute. Campbell & Burrell.

### They Argued at Tony Point

Down at Tony Point Friday was held one of the most interesting meetings of this campaign. That neighborhood has a Populist majority but the school house was crowded by the voters of that faith and they gave the speakers close attention, courteous and gentlemanly. Messrs. J. E. Henderson, Grant Billbe and S. J. Stewart followed Mr. Baxter McClain, who made the principal address. Before the evening was half over it became a regular debate between the speakers and members of the audience, not heated nor abusive, but calm and argumentative and all present enjoyed it and parted in the best of good will. This is the kind of meetings which bring results and the speakers all expressed the highest pleasure in the meeting.

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"I had suffered from indigestion and only those who have suffered from it know what it really is," writes Mrs. M. J. Pagan, of 1613 East Genesee Street, Syracuse, N. Y. "I had had severe attacks of headache and dizziness with cold hands and feet; everything I ate distressed me, bowels were constipated and I was growing very thin and nervous. I cannot half express the bad feelings I had when I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. I took nine bottles of the 'Discovery.' I commenced feeling better with the first bottle and kept on improving. Now I am so greatly improved in health my friends often speak of it."

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### Taking A Base Advantage

Up to the present week the campaign in this county has been commendably free from abuse of the candidates of the several parties and politics, locally, has been as clean as always. There seems last week, however, to have developed in the opposition weeklies a most bitter malignity.

In the case of Mr. Purcell the attack seems entirely uncalled for, as he launches his shaft at a nominee of the Republican party who has been overwhelmingly elected already, and has taken office so recently that no possibility of neglect of duty or betrayal of the public trust could have aroused his anger. And this man who has been received into this peaceful and kindly community with a glad hand and a good word, thus speaks to his readers, as he tells of the recent assumption of office by Miss Frances Wilson: "She was elected to the office of county treasurer in the November of 1800." Yegods! 1800! Ninty-nine years ago next month! May the friends be merciful to him when they get him, the friends of the young lady never will or can be.

On the other hand, Mr. Ritter is perhaps worse. His dig is veiled in sarcasm and the uncertainty as to whom the threat is directed lends a peculiar wickedness to it. Right up at the top of his editorial column, where one may always expect to find the keenest thrust against Republicanism, where the most brilliant thought of a week's careful conning is fired against the enemy, one finds this: "While in the hospital he did not drink any beer. Amend was unconcious some time before he died." That is the whole article: no more: no less. It makes one's blood run cold to think that beneath those enigmatical but innocent looking words there may lurk a meaning which blasts the fair reputation of some of the Republican nominees. A scanning of the entire ticket fails to locate anyone named Amend. And none of the nominees are in the hospital. Neither would any of them fall dead in half an hour were they to refrain from beer.

The REGISTER passes it up to those more learned in the nomenclature of political cut and thrust.

### Mrs. Webster Green Entertains.

There are some thirty or more Iola ladies, who, while they may differ widely on a hundred propositions, are perfectly agreed that they Friday enjoyed one of the pleasantest days during the time they have called Iola their home. In response to an invitation from Mrs. Webster Green they drove out to her home west of town and the day being delightfully balmy, they simply picknicked all over the farm, climbed the hay stacks, ate green apples and cut capers they would be slow to tell their children of. And all day today if you saw two ladies talking you might safely assume that they were discussing again the surpassing attractions of a dinner such as kings sigh for. Mrs. Grant Miller was in the party and secured several excellent pictures.

Among those present were: Mesdames Ross Claiborne, W. K. Edgar, F. S. Bennett, J. F. Thompson, A. J. Fulton, A. H. Charles, C. F. Scott, M. L. Brewster, C. B. Spencer, Geo. A. Bowlus, R. R. Claiborne, W. H. Richards, J. A. Robinson, S. M. Jennings, F. J. Horton, Agnes Scott, L. E. Baird, E. C. McClain, Grant Miller, John Delap, Harry McNiel, and Misses Rosalia Charles and Jennie McNiel.

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### Wrote to the Wrong Man

In an open letter to the REGISTER several years ago, Mr. E. A. Van-Valkenberg publicly withdrew from affiliating with the Democratic party and ever since then he has been a supporter of Republicanism. It seems, however, that the party is very reluctant to drop his name from the list and so he received the other day a letter, which had he a rubber stamp, he would endorse. "Not paid for lack of Interest." The letter reads: Office Democratic State Central Committee.

Kansas City Kansas.

Dear Sir:—The Democratic party is now engaged in another campaign with its national and state ticket in the field. No better or stronger men were ever nominated by any party than those who head our tickets. The outlook for the election of the state and national tickets was never more promising. The committee is doing all in its power to bring about a "Glorious Victory" in November. To do this we need your influence, support and financial aid. We have great faith in your ability as a party worker. The committee is much in need of means. Will you kindly enclose in this coin card 50 cents, $1, or more, by filling out the blank at the top of the other side of this card, place your remittance in the pockets of card, place the card in an envelope and mail to above address. Do not fail to return this card, as it is charged to your name on a permanent record. Yours for success,

J. MACK LOVE, Chairman."

On the other side of the envelope is a sort of oath that "I will also do all in my power to assist your committee and will also do all that is in my power, in my community, to bring us a glorious victory in November."

Now Van couldn't swear that swear, and he didn't want the things promised to come to pass, and he don't care if his name is stricken from the rolls, so he kept the card.

### Robbed the Grave

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50c, guaranteed at Evans Bros drug store.

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### From an old Soldier

KNOX, IND., Jan. 14, 1899.

GENTS:—I have every confidence in recommending your Syrup of Pepsin. I am 72 years of age and am broken down, the trouble having been brought on by my experience in the war. Your medicine has done me more good than a hundred doctors and I am just about well of stomach troubles.
Yours truly, JEFFERSON WILHELM.
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