## The Commoner.

# Mr. Bryan to Illinois Democracy

Chicago, Ill., July 31, carried the following dispatch:

Judge Owen P. Thompson of Jacksonville, Ill., announced this afternoon that in a letter dated July 17 William J. Bryan requested that Judge Thompson call upon Mr. Roger Sullivan with a message from Mr. Bryan requesting that Mr. Sullivan, in the interest of harmony, resign as national committeeman from Illinois. Judge Thompson says he saw Mr. Sullivan today and delivered Mr. Bryan's message. Mr. Sullivan declined to resign, as requested.

Judge Thompson thereupon made public a letter from Mr. Bryan, as follows:

Bryan Letter to Thompson "The Trossachs Hotel, Loch Kat-

How to Fool a Lazy Liver with Artificial Exercise

> VERY serious Sickness has a small beginning.

And, in nine cases out of ten, that beginning is made in the

Bowels.

Constipation is the beginning of most diseases. It paves the way for all others.

Lack of exercise, hasty eating, improper food, are its first causes.

Laziness, and postponement, permit it to grow into Chronic Constipation, which means life-long Discomfort.

It isn't necessary to be sick-a-bed, you know, in order to be mighty uncomfortable.

Even a slight indigestion affects the nerves, dulls the mind and obscurae the merry supehine of Life.

The time to adjust the Bowels is the very minute you suspect they need adjustment. -If your tongue is slightly coated,

-If your breath is under suspicion,

Thompson, Jacksonville, Ill. My dear

Judge: I am going to intrust you with a message to Roger Sullivan. If I were at home I would see him myself, be known that you insist on honest but as I do not arrive until after your state convention, and as I think action ought to be taken at once, I will send the message by you. Please say to Mr. Sullivan that he has expressed a desire for harmony, and that I assume that he means to help the party to the extent of his ability, but there avoided taking part in personal conis but one way in which he can promote harmony, and that is by resigning as national committeeman. We are approaching another national campaign, and our party's chances all depend upon its ability to convince the public of its good intentions. Mr. Sullivan's presence on the committee contradicts all that we can say in the party's behalf. His corporate connections would harm the party far beyond his power to aid the organization, but this could be left for some future convention to deal with if he were actually the choice of the democrats of Illinois. The fact, however, that he holds his office by a fraud, and against the express wishes of a majority of the delegates to the state convention, makes it impossible for honest democrats to associate with him as a member of the committee. If we do not maintain the right of the majority to control party policy and select the party's representatives, for what can we contend? The fact that Mr. Sullivan has spoken kindly of me enables me to discuss the matter without risk of having my actions attributed to personal malice, but he ought to see that I would be unworthy of any one's confidence if I failed to protect against his continusuce upon the committee either to conciliate him or out of fear of his hostility. There is room in the party for all who honestly favor democratic principles, but the leadership must be in the hands of those who have the confidence of the party and whose prominence will strengthen the party. If he will at once send his resignation to the chairman of the national committee, and make the matter public, he will show his desire to help the party and will do much to restore himself in the opinion of those who felt outraged by the last state convention. If he refuses to resign and thus puts his ambition or his business before the party's success, the sooner he is ejected from the committee the better. It ought to be made an issue in the state convention, if necessary, for the democracy of Illinois can not fight under such leadership and ought not to permit itself to be misrepresented on the national committee. Yours truly, "W. J. BRYAN,"

are about to enter upon a campaign, in which our party will appeal to the people and ask the confidence of the The Associated Press under date of frine, Scotland, July 17 .- Judge O. P. nation. I do not know how you, the democrats of Illinois, could better open that campaign in your state than by demanding his resignation. Let it politics within the party, and then you will be believed when you plead for honesty in the government. I am sorry that your convention meets before I return, for I would be glad to come to Illinois and give you any assistance within my power. I have tests within the party, but, whenever any one calling himself a democrat assaults the right of the party to govern itself. I do not hesitate to take part in the fight. I had hoped that he would resign. in the interests of harmony, but his refusal leaves you no choice but to repudiate him or abandon democratic principles. With best wishes for your success, I am, very truly yours,

"'W. J. BRYAN.'"

#### Sullivan Makes Reply

Mr. Sullivan, in replying to Mr. Bryan's letter, tonight, gave out the following statement:

"I have seen the letter purporting

to have been written by Mr. Bryan, and am prepared to accept it as genuine, although the character of the men whom Mr. Bryan appears to have chosen as his confidants is such that there might be serious doubts as to its authenticity. If the letter was written by Mr. Bryan it furnishes proof that he has allowed himself to persist in what the democratic national convention of 1904 declared was a misrepresentation and libel. It is proof that he is mistaken again, as he was on the free silver question, and that he is wrong again as he was when he permitted himself to cut so unenviable a figure as he did in the Bennett will controversy.

"It is apparently Mr. Bryan's misfortune to jump to conclusions too readily and to be misled by men whose assumed friendship for a boyhood companion is not sufficiently great to prohibit their attempting to place him in an awkward and false light before the great majority of the democrats of Illinois. The men to whom I refer, Millard Fillmore Dunlap and Judge Owen P. Thompson, the leaders of the faction known as the Jacksonville cabal, are men who have been twice utterly repudiated by the democrats of the state. The fact that my name happens to be Sullivan is by far a more potent reason to them for attempting to discredit me than any that they ever have or can be used. The real reason for their opposition to me I believe Mr. Bryan to be ignorant of. "It is not the first time Mr. Bryan your nearest agent to has been deceived by these men. He was inveigled into pleading their cause two years ago. He gave their claims the only merit they possessed by presenting them at St. Louis. What was the verdict? He pleaded for them before a sub-committee of the democratic national committee, and the committee decided against them. He renewed his efforts in their behalf before the democratic naportant part in the work which lies tional committee, and again lost his before the democratic party. You can case. A committee on credentials, composed of democrats, representing all communications to The Comevery state and territory in the union, next declared the men whom Mr. Bryan now champions to be liars and villifiers. Finally the highest tribunal to which appeal could be taken heard Mr. Bryan's plea for Dunlap and Thompson, and the result was as before. "Mr. Bryan says I hold my seat on mocracy of Illinois, his refusal to re- the democratic national committee by sign can not be attributed to ignor- fraud. That seat came to me by virsign can not be attributed to ignor-ance of the facts, but is proof posi-) tue of a vote of 49 to 5 in my favor. thousand feet, with plenty timber, will sell sep-tive of his unfitness for the place. We tive of his unfitness for the place. We It is one to which a democratic na-

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tional committee declared I was entitled to.

"If I hold my seat by fraud, then Mr. Bryan must accuse Senator Tillman of South Carolina, Senator Culberson of Texas, Senator Dubois of Idaho, John Sharp Williams of Mississippi, Clark Howell of Georgia, the democratic leaders in the 'solid south.' the majority of those in the east, the north and the west, of compounding a felony.

"I, if I am unfit to associate with 'honest democrats,' as Mr. Bryan says,



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-If your head feels a trifle heavy or dull,

-If digestion seems even a little slow,

-If Heartburn, Belching, Colic or Restlessness begin to show themselves.

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### Message to Illinois Democrats

"The Trossachs Hotel, Loch Katrine, July 17 .- Judge O. P. Thompson, Jacksonville, Ill. My Dear Judge: If the effort to induce Mr. Sullivan to resign from the national committee fails, I wish you would deliver the following message to the democrats of Illinois:

"'You live in the largest of the western states, and must play an imdo little to advance democratic principles so long as you permit the most fundamental of these principles, namely, the right of the majority to rule, to be violated. Mr. Sullivan was elected as national committeeman by delegates who were not chosen by the convention. As he was one of the leaders in the high crimes and misdemeanors committed against the de-

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