

# THEY HAVE METHOD IN THEIR MADNESS

"IT'S MONEY THAT MAKES THE MARE GO"—THE REAL CAUSE FOR THIS HYSTERICAL AND HYPOCRITICAL GUSH ABOUT "PATRIOTISM," "PROVIDENCE" AND "THE BRAZEN INSULT TO THE AMERICAN MAN ABOUT WHO WILL HAUL DOWN THE FLAG."

A Washington Correspondent to "The Verdict," New York, Uncover the True Inwardness and Discloses the Real Reason why the Members of the McKinley Second Term Syndicate Can Personally Afford to Set at Defiance the Declaration of Independence and Repudiate Republican Doctrines From the Foundation of Our Government.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 21.  
The grand army of Till Tapers—otherwise the White House Syndicate—is still robbing the treasury. Under administration protection the favored ones of the syndicate are carrying on a systematic looting. Their scope of operations includes all of the new possessions as well as Cuba and the Philippines. The property that is being carried on in the Orient was brought to the United States in the recall of Dr. Bedloe, consul general of this country at Canton, China. Dr. Bedloe, it is true, was honorably "whitewashed"—in the kalsoming art the White House is expert—but along with the sweep of the whitewash brush was heard a story of pillage, of official robbery, and of official connivance at corruption starting in its openness. If it all be true, or even half true, then the connivance of General Otis, at Manila, the ring which he hesitates not to do the bidding of the White House, is guilty of encouraging and fostering not only looting of the friendly Filipinos, along with murder and rapine, but also trafficking with the enemy against the American flag.

## HERE BE YOUR TRAITORS.

It was charged in the Bedloe incident that a ring composed of military and consular officers as well as civilian citizens of the United States, was hard at work at Hong Kong, Singapore and Manila, furnishing food, guns, ammunition and ordnance to Aguinaldo and his army; that through the connivance of General Otis, at Manila, the ring was operating profitably and safely; that its ships, loaded with aid for the enemy, were allowed to pass unchecked through the lines of the alleged American blockade, and that the enormous profits of the traffic were divided with the power at Manila that permitted the work to go on. Now Dr. Bedloe was given a certificate of official probity; but none of the charges contained in the statement of facts which caused his removal was denied by General Otis, Governor-General in Manila, and the fact that the profits of this nefarious robbery must aggregate stupendous sums. While the taxpayers of this country have been called on to pay, up to this time, \$20,000,000 for transfer of alleged sovereignty in the Philippines from Spain to the union, and more than \$100,000,000 as the continuing cost of pinchbeck imperialism in the archipelago, including \$12,000,000 yearly tribute to the polygamous sultan of Sulu, the Oriental ring of administration henchmen has been fishing millions from the other side. Plans are now on foot which may result in a congressional expose of this as well as other robberies of the government through official sanction.

## TRAFFICKING WITH THE ENEMY.

General Otis is Charged with Supplying Aguinaldo with Guns, Ammunition, Etc., For the Dollars That's In It.  
Why did Senator Thomas C. Platt not only consent that his former party enemy and personal foe, Ellihu Root, should be given high place in administration councils, but also assiduously labor to secure for him the portfolio of war minister? Time lays bare many a secret of politics and polishes the bones of what would have been a national scandal if placed before the public at the time of its occurrence. Secretary Root's chair at the cabinet table has scarcely been warmed when now from Porto Rico comes the story of Senator Platt's connection with the combination that has secured an absolute monopoly of the express transportation business of the island. It is worth to the scheming head of the republican machine in New York City and State hundreds of thousands of dollars annually. Bear in mind that Porto Rico is now and has been from the date of the peace protocol absolutely and autocratically by the war department.

## WHY ROOT WAS APPOINTED.

Keep in few, too, the point that Ellihu Root, as head of this same department, has power to license stealing from the nation and the oppressed Porto Ricans, and then it will be plain why Platt, the schemer, was pleased to see his old-time foe given high place and autocratic power. Beyond doubt he named his price and got it before Root received his commission. The Pan-American Express company was organized in Porto Rico as a case of bargain making. The money was between the White House occupant and Senator Platt, when Root was made secretary of war to succeed Alger. This express company is operated by capital furnished in New York. It is given exclusive privileges in the island, despite the endeavor of congress to protect the people of the new possessions from the marauders of the administration. It was a bird in hand for the White House Syndicate to buy Senator Platt, because the purchase money came not from their treasure vaults, but instead was wrested from the inhabitants of Porto Rico. Platt is tagged and ticketed for 1900 now. He must be for McKinley for a second term, because the bargain earnest is in his pocket. It is true that Porto Rico will be compelled to pay extortionate express rates because of this scandal-smelling deal, but that matters not in the philosophy of the Second Term Syndicate.

## SENATOR PLATT'S GREAT GRAFT.

How a Monopoly of Express Transportation Business of Porto Rico Has Been Stolen From the People.  
The land grabbers, the franchise grabbers, the administration promoters, who aim to wax fat upon the new lands of the nation, have been keeping close watch upon every turn of events there. Very recently word came from Hawaii that the misguided people of that far Pacific garden spot were actually dealing in real estate, developing virgin lands and showing possibilities of self-government and enterprise wholly out of line with the plans of the national robbers. Wherefore, because the White House Syndicate designs that its exclusive use all the good things in Hawaii, the president was directed to issue an order calling the Hawaiians to a halt. It was issued just as the executive and the members of the cabinet started upon the swing around the circle through those western states where even Hanna's handy check book fails to hold in line the burdened taxpayers who have grown weary of imperialism's cost, and of the syndicate which in directing executive action and national politics. This order, in effect, forbade the sale of any public lands under the orders of the loyal government which was left in power at the president's direction. It likewise directed the revocation of all proceedings for public improvements and betterments.

## HOW THE REAL BUSINESS IS DISGUISED.

Ostensibly this sweeping order was for the purpose of securing for military and naval use all the lands deemed necessary. Really it was issued because the syndicate proposes to plunder Hawaii when the time is ripe. No concessions are to be granted there for anything of value unless the syndicate is hand to elbow in the deal. Sugar, coffee, fruit, public utilities, the crown lands of Hawaii, which reverted from Queen Liliuokalani to the emperor of the Philippines—all are to serve useful purpose to the men who bought the bankrupt paper of the chief executive at a time when the investment promised no immediate dividends. There are millions in sight in Hawaii for the administration plunderers. They intend to garner the treasure at the earliest moment for fear of congressional mishap.

## THE PLUNDERING OF HAWAII.

There are Millions in Hawaii For President McKinley's Administration Backers—Land Grabbers Wonderful Harvest.  
Conservatively put, the mobilizing of the president and cabinet forces by Senator Hanna in the endeavor to save Ohio for the republicans, has cost the taxpayers one-quarter of a million dollars. True, the nation was not called on to pay directly the expenses of the stumpers on their palace car vote-calling tour, but indirectly it will foot the entire bill. From the departure of the special train carrying the executive and all his cabinet save Gage—who fled the town before the messenger was rolled—there was complete stagnation of public work. The business of the nation was practically suspended. Government tax-treasuries had a grand holiday.

## PRESIDENTIAL STUMPING TOUR.

Many were assessed to aid the corruption of the ballot in Ohio, but this was looked upon as a necessary evil. Even the president was assessed. His personal check for \$5,000 was given to Senator Hanna the day following the feast of Admiral Dewey at which the great sea fighter firmly and emphatically declined to become a member of the presidential stumping combination. This refusal spoiled a scheme of Hanna-McKinley hatching. But the special train of administration stumpers made its scheduled rounds. For the first time in history the dignity of the presidency, yet purely Hannasque. Its effect upon the pending elections will soon be known. In advance of the returns odds are offered that the transfer of the government from Washington, where are its duties, to the hustings, will be signally rebuked. W. E.

A new idea for the bill collector came from Louisville, where Manuel Osorio, a retired organ grinder, being unable to collect three months' rent due on a house he owned and had leased, took his instrument to the house and played it steadily until the tenant, annoyed by the suffering neighborhood, raised the money owed and paid him. This new method took three hours.

News comes from Baltimore that this year's catch of oysters in Chesapeake bay will be the smallest in the history of the industry. Where years ago 6,000,000 gallons was only an average crop it is estimated that this year the yield will be less than 1,000,000 gallons. A plan is on foot to close the oyster beds a few years, thus giving the bivalves a chance to recuperate and multiply.

# Panic Among Republicans.

Nervous System of Corrupt Party in a Prigful State of Decay.

Lincoln, Neb.—(Special.)—The condition of the republican nervous system as indicated by its party organs during the last day or so has induced the conclusion that the party managers of that party are badly demoralized. Their shifting, or efforts to shift the state campaign to national issues and back again and then another attempt to change the subjects on which the people are to think, while they dimly realized, have shown the desperate condition of the managers and their cause, as they see it.

The Lincoln republican evening paper, the News, yesterday afternoon scored the management for trying to make the campaign against Mr. Bryan and in effect told them that they had spoiled the last hope of success by their hair-brained policy dictated by fear of Bryan. This was only one of the exhibitions of the spirit of distrust and failure of confidence that has lately become widespread among the republicans. An amusing exhibition of the scare that is pervading the republican circles was an incident connected with Chairman Tefft's celebrated letter threatening to hamstring and excommunicate or at least do something terrible to every county clerk who did not fix the official ballot days, as he wanted it. This thunderbolt was launched the other day, and then the republican managers stood and watched to see the fusion clerks bow their heads in meek submission to the chief and beg pardon for having offended the official. Some county clerks have been seen and doubtless heard something before this time. The secretary of state's office has heard from it and Deputy Wiesner and the other employees are ready to ask the republican chairman not to be reckless with his thunderbolts in the future.

## TEFFT SHOOTS CROOKED.

There has been a small avalanche of letters and telegrams from the county clerks of the state to the secretary of state's office and the writers are asking what they must do and refer to the threat of Chairman Tefft. The secretary of state has been busy dictating answers, simply saying "Obey the law and you will be all right." The amusing part of the correspondence is the number of those who are frightened by Chairman Tefft's bull are republicans. Not a single county clerk, so far as the secretary of state has heard, has been the least little bit frightened. It seems that Chairman Tefft is a very bad person, and the republican managers who hit the fusionists with the preposition were not going to do what the republicans wanted done, the republican county clerks are the ones who are frightened.

One who has observed the republican campaign pretty closely said that the only reasonable explanation of the scare of so many republican county clerks at Chairman Tefft's threat was that in the factional difference in the republican ranks there had grown up a distrust of each other until these harmless republican county clerks thought their chairman really meant it when he told what dreadful things would result from certain acts of theirs. They thought they had gotten on the wrong side of the chairman or maybe knew they had and took the threat as meant for themselves.

## BOYLE PLAN CRUMBLES.

Another fall-down of the republican managers or a part of them, for it is pretty well established that all did not agree on the original plan, has been in the complete collapse of the Juan Boyle attempt to prevent the secretary of state from certifying the name of William Neville as the democratic nominee for congress in the Sixth district. Republicans now predict that Boyle's attempt will be dropped without even a hearing before the county judge.

## NEBRASKA'S SOLDIER QUOTA.

The adjutant general of the army has sent to Adjutant General Barry a reply to the latter's letter of transmittal sent with a report of the state of the Nebraska National guard and unorganized militia of state which was asked for in the drill and instruction Adjutant General Simpson, in writing to Adjutant General Barry, compliments him very highly on the complete data and fine arrangements of it for the use of the head of the Washington office. In the report, which covers several typewritten pages, Adjutant General Barry goes into the detail of description of the organization, equipment, armament, drill and laws and regulations governing the Nebraska National guard.

In addition to this and other information as to the drill and instruction of the officers and men, the adjutant general gives some interesting information regarding the Nebraska National guard and the volunteers from Nebraska in the Spanish-American war. Much of this is familiar to newspaper readers, but the recapitulation of the number of men who enlisted in the volunteer service from Nebraska is especially interesting. This shows that there were in the First Nebraska 1,647 men, and in the Second Nebraska 1,647 under the first call. In troop K, there were 54 men. Then under the second call there were 1,347 men. They were divided between the two regiments. Then the Third regiment was raised with 1,347 men, making a total of volunteers in the Nebraska organizations who went to war 4,670 men. The state banking board has chartered the Irrigators State bank at Genoa, in Scott county. The capital stock is to be \$20,000 and the incorporators are James H. Caselman; J. D. Jackson and George Adams.

## SLUMBER MADE MORE COSTLY.

Chicago, Ill.—(Special.)—Members of the National Association of Chamber Sult and Case Work Manufacturers at their second meeting here decided on more radical action than was accomplished at the opening session. Instead of a uniform advance of 10 per cent in their price list, as was recommended at their first meeting, an increase was decided on from 12 to 15 per cent was decided on. This will go into effect at once, so that the raise in prices will be felt especially during the holidays.

At a meeting of the Western Parlor Furniture Manufacturers' association it was decided to make an advance of 10 per cent in the price of all furniture manufactured by members of the association. An advance of 10 per cent was made recently, but this was found to be insufficient for profit and another increase is contemplated.

## SIX DOLLAR HORSE DID IT.

Chicago, Ill.—(Special.)—A big "killing" was made in the Harlem ring on Henry of Prantamar, a horse that not long ago was sold to rise and colicky in the second race handily and it is estimated the fine lost nearly \$10,000.

# OLD GLORY TRAILED IN THE MIRE BY G. O. P.

THE STARS AND STRIPES NOW PROTECT SLAVERY AND POLYGAMY IN THEIR WORST FORMS.

## EXTRACTS FROM THE SULU TREATY.

Following is the treaty made by the McKinley administration with the sultan of Sulu:  
Agreement between Brigadier General John C. Bates, representing the United States, of one part; and his highness, the sultan of Sulu, the Dato Rajah Muda, the Dato Atlik, the Dato Rajak, and the Dato Joakanan, of the other part; it being understood that this agreement will be in force only when approved by the governor general of the Philippine islands and confirmed by the president of the United States, and will be subjected to future modifications by the mutual consent of the parties in interest.

## ARTICLE 1.—The sovereignty of the United States over the whole archipelago of Sulu and its dependencies is declared and acknowledged.

Article 2.—The United States flag will be used in the archipelago of Sulu and its dependencies on land and sea.

Article 3.—The rights and dignities of his highness the sultan, and his dates shall be fully respected; the Moros shall not be interfered with on account of their religion (polygamistic); all their religious customs shall be respected and no one shall be persecuted on account of his religion.

Any person can purchase land in the archipelago of Sulu and hold the same by obtaining consent of the sultan and coming to a satisfactory agreement with the owner of the land; and such purchase shall immediately be registered in the proper office of the United States government.

Article 10.—Any slave in the archipelago of Sulu shall have the right to purchase freedom by paying to the master the usual market value.

Article 12.—The United States will give full protection to the sultan and his subjects against any foreign nation should attempt to impose upon them.

Article 15.—The United States government will pay the following monthly salaries:

To the sultan	\$250.00
To Dato Rajah Muda	75.00
To Dato Atlik	60.00
To Dato Calbe	75.00
To Dato Joakanian	75.00
To Dato Puyo	60.00
To Dato Amir Halasin	60.00
To Hadji Buter	50.00
To Habib Mura	40.00
To Serif Saguan	15.00

Signed in triplicate, in English and Sulu, at Jolo, this 20th day of August, A. D. 1899 (13th Arakukil 1317).

THE SULTAN SULU,  
DATO RAJAH MUDA,  
DATO ATLIK,  
DATO CALBE.

J. C. BATES,  
Brigadier Genl., U. S. V.

IS IT TO BE WONDERED AT THAT REPUBLICANS ARE LEAVING THE G. O. P.?

# AN ADDRESS TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

The object of the American Anti-Trust League is to drive from public places the servile tools of the trusts, monopolies, combines and corporations, and to establish the equal rights of American citizens in the commerce and industries of the country.

Today in every legislative hall, both state and national, omnipresent stands the lobbyist and corruptionist of this great railroad monopoly, trust combination, which has formed an alliance offensive and defensive, by which they expect to control legislation and to plunder the producers and consumers of America.

## HOW THE TRUST TAKES CARE OF ITS FRIENDS.

And, what is still worse, there also stand the representatives, elected by the American people, who have become debauched and who are the secret servants and instruments of this great corporate power and are ever ready to do their bidding, while proclaiming their devotion to the rights of the people. We find them everywhere in the legislative congresses, in the senate, and on the bench. The political life of this kind of representatives is made easy. Their remuneration is arranged for them by political bosses, who are but the servants of this power. Campaign funds are furnished. That part of the public press that is managed by the trust, is used to edit and lionize these servile tools. Their elections are managed for them.

## ONLY A FEW TRUE MEN LEFT.

There also stands the representative elected by the people, who is true to the principles of manhood and is governed by the promptings of public welfare. He stands a bulwark against the legislative schemes by which this great railroad, monopoly, trust combination expect to plunder the people. He is oblivious to this dominating and controlling power, and their emissaries are sent into his district to undermine and destroy him politically. Some popular man is encouraged to become a candidate for nomination in his place and the power and influence and money of this corporate conspiracy are put behind this candidate, and the true servant of the people finds himself defeated for renomination, and he is retired from public life—retired because he was a true representative of the people and dared to defy this corporate monster. This process has been worked so silently and secretly that the people have not recognized the handwork by which a majority in the legislative bodies has been controlled.

## THE CITY METHODS.

In many of our great cities the street railway traction companies have created a political despotism. That man who is ambitious politically, before he can hope to be nominated to any position of public trust must first kneel at the throne. Yes, and in many, many cases before a laborer can hope to earn bread for his family he has first to show that he wears the brand and color of their ward boss. They have created a despotism so damnable that man must become a serf to this corrupt corporate power before he can obtain an opportunity to work. I have talked with these men who mourn the loss of their liberty as American freemen. They are not railroads, monopoly, trust, traction combination is "corrupting our public affairs and debauching our public men" and destroying the foundations of the republic by the corrupt use of money in our political life.

## THE ONLY POWER STRONGER THAN MONEY.

The purpose of the American Anti-Trust League is to arouse the only power on earth that is stronger than the power of money in our public life.

# THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

President Sets a Day For General Observance.

Washington, D. C.—(Special.)—The president has issued the following Thanksgiving proclamation: "A national custom dear to the hearts of the people calls for the setting apart of one day in each year as an occasion of special thanksgiving to Almighty God for the blessings of the preceding year. This honored observance acquires with time a tender significance. It enriches domestic life. It summons under the family roof the absent children to glad reunion with those they love."

"Beldom has this nation had greater cause for profound thanksgiving. No great pestilence has invade our shores. Liberal employment waits upon labor. Abundant crops have rewarded the efforts of the husbandman. Increased comforts have come to the home. The national finances have been strengthened and public credit has been sustained and bade firm. In all branches of industry and trade there has been an unequalled degree of prosperity, while there has been a steady gain in the moral and educational growth of our nation."

"Churches and schools have flourished. American patriotism has been exalted. Those engaged in maintaining the honor of the flag with such signal success have been in a large degree spared from disaster and disease. An honorable peace has been ratified with a foreign nation with which we were at war and we are now on friendly relations with every power on earth. "The trust which we have assumed for the benefit of the people of Cuba has been faithfully advanced. There is marked progress in the restoration of healthy industrial conditions, and under wise sanitary regulations the island has enjoyed unusual exemption from the scourge of fever. The hurricane which swept over our new possession of Porto Rico destroying the homes and property of the inhabitants, called forth the instant sympathy of the people of the United States, who were swift to respond with generous aid to the sufferers. While the insurance still continues in the island of Luzon, business is resuming its activity and confidence in the good prospects of the United States is being established throughout the archipelago."

"For these reasons and countless others, I, William McKinley, president of the United States, do hereby name Thursday, the 30th day of November next, as a day of general thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed in order that all our people on this continent and in our newly acquired islands, as well as those who may be at sea or sojourning in foreign lands, and I advise that on this day religious exercises shall be conducted in the churches or meeting places of all denominations in order that in its social features of the day its real significance may not be lost sight of, but fervent prayers may be offered to the Most High for a continuance of the divine guidance without which all men's efforts are vain, and for divine consolation to those whose kindred and friends have sacrificed their lives for our country."

"I recommend also that on this day, so far as may be found practicable, labor shall cease from its accustomed toil and charity abound toward the sick, the needy and the poor. "In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY."

NEW ENVOY TO WASHINGTON.  
Aguinaldo Will Send One with Proposals For Peace.  
New York.—(Special.)—A special to the World says: Senator Antonio Regidor, no win London, will sail for the United States within three weeks, and as a fully accredited representative of Aguinaldo will present to President McKinley new terms for ending the hostilities and reconstructing the government of the islands. The coming of the representative is kept a secret by the administration, but from a high authority the World learns that these are the exact terms Aguinaldo desires: "First—Absolute free trade between the United States and the Philippines, carrying with it the fullest commercial favor between the countries. "Second—Perfect religious freedom as now exists under the government of Aguinaldo, the same being a concession made by him to the wishes of the United States. "Third—Coaling stations for the United States on all important islands of the archipelago, to be selected by the United States and ceded outright forever by the Filipinos. This would include Manila. "Fourth—Military reservations at Manila, Iloilo, Panay, Mindoro, Masabe, Samar, Mindocna and such other islands as may be determined on by both governments. "Fifth—The employment of United States officers in the customs and all other international branches of the government, to be selected by the United States and paid by the Filipino government. "Sixth—The introduction of the American police system. "Seventh—The establishment of a judiciary as now exists in the island of Cuba. "Eighth—The reconstruction of the entire Filipino government upon lines as nearly consistent with those prescribed by the constitution of the United States and adapted to the requirements of the natives. "Ninth—Recognition of the Filipino government as an independent republic under a protectorate of the United States. "Senator Regidor will have plenipotentiary powers to treat with the United States government on all of these points, in order to reach an agreement by which hostilities may cease. Senator Regidor will be the most important political emissary ever sent to the United States by the Filipinos. He will have more power than Agoncillo, who was summarily driven out of Washington after the presentation of a memorial to congress. Senator Regidor will represent Aguinaldo himself. "Senator Regidor is said to be a man of great ability and learning, having had long experience in European diplomacies. "The administration has been fully informed of the demands of Aguinaldo and the advisers through the dispatches of General Otis and the secret service maintained by this government in Europe.

Havana.—(Special.)—Cuban opinion is against the proclamation of the civil governor of Havana, General Riera, prohibiting cock fights. The proclamation is also considered as in the nature of a protest against the failure of Governor Brooke to prohibit cock fighting at the time when he prohibited bull fighting. A man to whom General Riera had refused a permit for cock fighting has written to La Lucha to say that cock fighting is particularly popular among the Cubans and that if General Riera will not allow it he intends to appeal to the governor general.