Secretary Gage.

FROM LYMAN'S PET BANK.

Brazen Corruption Arouse the People.

MOTIVE OF THE IMPERIALISTS.

Senator Vest Claims the Right to Express His Opinion on Questions of Public Policy and Declines to Be Mussled - Public Documents Not Free-Some Cheap Congressmen.

[Special Washington Letter.] On the 5th day of June, 1897, A. B. Hepburn, vice president of the National City bank of New York, wrote a letter to Hon. Lyman J. Gage, a letter in ble language:

States depository, as at present. Of course the bank is very strong, and if you will take the pains to look at the list of directors you will see that we also have very great political claims in view of what was done during the canvass last year."

That letter is certain to have a very large circulation-larger, perhaps, than high official of this republic.

of every honest man between the two | the earth? the pity.

ter to any of those illustrious states- dead."

Ponder these words: "If you"-you, Mr. Secretary Gage, the chief financial officer of the most pulsaant republic ell], and he took it for granted that no- day in this house, when my friend since the world began-"if you will take the pales to look at the list of our ism and loyalty to his country. He have to go to the other side of the Sulu, in the far-off islands of the sea, or directors, you will see"-what would Lyman see?-"you will see that we also senate during the last congress, in not a man in this body for whom I state of Utah, and above all and beyond have great political claims in view of course of which he said he had gone to have more personal affection than I all, we stand for Bryan as against Mc what was done during the canvass last the president after the battle of Ma- have for him. But his present position year"-i. e., in the campaign of 1896. Bunk to Furnish Boodle.

Evidently Lyman did look at the list of directors and did see that "we also have very great political claims in view of what was done during the canvass last year." for he proceeded to confer Hepburn's bank that was ever conferred upon any bank by any government

Gratitude is said to be a lively expectation of favors to come. According to that rule the Republican secretary of the treasury must be deeply grateful to Mr. Hepburn's bank, not so much Mr. Hepburn's bank had great political action in 1896 by reason of the comred. upon it prior to June 5, 1897, what ippines. Is it treason to say this?" astounding activity that bank will exercise for Lyman's party this year after being made the recipient of his unprecedented and colossal favor! "You flations and operations. Lyman is to might not come in ten years. where to get some more boodle when

Brazen Corruptionists.

the house, talks on the floor of im- as part of The Congres cose Sulzer of New York. Not that speeches published. Lyman believes the Republican house would impeach him or the Republican senate com let him, for he knows that which are furnished him free and they would do no such thing, no matter what he does, but there is a force with which even the most brazen cor- senators selling their books, does-

What the deuce are we coming to one part truth. Occasionally one is answay? Who was it declared that found who does that, but in 99 cases Republicans are a band of brothers and

take to explain the amaking fact that Senator Wolcott of Colorado, himself a full blown expansionist, in open senate characterized the much exploited speech of the beloved Beveridge on Remarkable Epistle to the Philippines as "base and sordid?" Within the memory of men now living bave spent much more. such language spoken by one senator of another would have meant a meeting about suprise at Bladensburg "Base and sordid" it is; but, "base and sordid" though it be, Senator Beveridge inadvertently blurted out the real motive of the imperialists-gold! Beveridge wanted to relieve his mind, such sesthetic imperialists as Welcott. The Coloradan wants precisely what

> But two and two make four-i. e., unless Wolcott and company have altered the principles of arithmetic while changing this from a republic into an

the great gobbling act under more po-

While the Republicans were wrangling as to the precise terms in which they will state their freebooting thethe great Missouri orator and which is found the following remarka- statesman, George Graham Vest, made some remarks which every citizen of "We should like to remain a United the republic, without regard to political affiliations should read and commit to memory.

A Foggy Policy.

"The friends of the president," said Mr. Vest, "and I am not his enemyassume that any remarks made about the Paris treaty or its negotiation is an attack upon the administration. This is an unwarranted assumption.

"On his western tour the president any other letter ever addressed to a said the whole archipelago had fallen like a ripe apple into our lap, and we It should arouse the American people were bound to meet our new duties like a fire bell at midnight. Of course as they were presented to us. Were the secretary could not prevent Hep- we to leave them, or were we, as the burn from writing the letter, but he junior senator from Indiana [Mr. Bevcould have rebuked him and should eridge) so eloquently told us the other have rebuked him for so doing. He day, trustees under God to hold them would have received the hearty thanks | as a part of our mission to regenerate

oceans for rebuking him, but he did | "I hardly know how to characterize not do so. He appeared to think it all the imputation that friends of Aguiright and eminently proper. More's naido on this floor are giving aid and comfort to the enemies of this country. | the eyes of the railroads. Does anybody believe that any man I have already said that I consider the living in the days of Alexander Hamil- discussion of these resolutions as of no ton. Albert Gallatin or Salmon P. Chase consequence. It is like calling in a Joseph C. Sibley of Pennsylvania, dewould have dared to write such a letwould have dared to write such a letskilled physician after the patient is fended the course of Hon. Lyman J.

Consequence. It is like calling in a Joseph C. Sibley of Pennsylvania, depublishing a statement that Congressman Robinson voted to retain Roberts of

ministration in the Philippines than lowing reply to Mr. Sibley: the senator from New Jersey [Mr. Sew- "Mr. Chairman, I remember a great body would call in question his patriot- from Pennsylvania [Mr. Sibley] did not ticed in the domains of the Sulton of cited a statement to Mr. Sewell in the great aisle for his applause. There is within the boundries of the sovereign nila and besought him, for God's sake, has put me in an extremely awkward and let the Philippines alone. "What place, the newspaper men have discovquired Mr. Vest. "He directed the between him and me, so much so that peace commission to take one island-Luzon-and afterward abandoned that other." the greatest financial favors upon Mr. policy. He has since said the acquisition of the islands was an act of Providence; that we could not leave them officer since banks were first instituted as dereliets. The fact is, this whole question is in a nebulous and foggy Clark.

my remarks should reflect upon my have the present speeches of the gencountry. But I deny the right of any theman from Pennsylvania [Mr. Sibley] for what it did for the party in 1896 as right to express my opinion in my own mine. But the chief difficulty about what it is expected to do in 1900. If way. We have the bubonic plague it is that in writing occasionally for added to leprosy in Hawaii; we have the newspapers I devoted three whole lican 'finance" bill to place the country paratirely small favors he had confer. a war of indefinite length in the Phil- him as the Democratic nominee for

Public Documents.

treaty, Mr. Vest said: "When that treaty was ratified by nomination and confer it on my distickle use, and I will tickle you" seems | the senate of the United States, every | tinguished friend from New York [Mr. to be the theory on which Lyman J. senator knew then, as he knows now, Sulzer], who is faithful to the cause Gage, Republican secretary of the that we were paying \$20,000,000 for at all times, in all places and under all treasury, and the National City bank a war in the archipelago, the end of of New York are conducting their nego- which might come in a month and

furnish the deposits of the people's "I simply put before the senate and money to the bank, and the bank is in the country this proposition: Are we return to furnish boodle-a part of the to remain silent, refraining even from boodle - to conduct the presidential ordinary criticism as to the conduct of His example is well worthy of imitacampaign. As this particular bank is the war, for fear that we are to be depart and parcel of the Standard Oil nounced as allies of Aguinaldo and company. Lyman will probably know opposed to the authority of our own country?"

It appears to be the general impres-A deposit of \$300,000,000 is a nice sion that representatives and senators thing to have in the family, or in the can secure, free of cost to themselves. benk, which is the same thing. It is an unlimited number of any speech, presumable that the bank can lend that book or document published by the vast sum at an average rate of 6 per government printing office. This is cent, which would bring in \$18,000.000 not true. Of every government pubper annum in interest. It was stated lication, except speeches delivered in on the floor of the house lately that in | congress, each representative and serthe recent gambling panic on Wall ator has a certain quota, usually 26 to street money was loaned at 186 per each representative and a somewhat cent. Now, if Lyman's pet bank could larger quota to each senator. While lend this \$300,000,000 at that rate it the proceedings of congress, including would make old Crosus himself blink speeches, are published in The Daily to behold its profits could be return to | Congressional Record free, if any senator or representative wants copies of his speech or of the speech of anybody | north of the Potomac river and east of Lyman must experience a creepy sort | else, he must pay for them, and, what of feeling in the region of his spinal may appear strange. It costs more to chord when so conservative a gentle- have them printed in large quantities man as Hon. James D. Richardson of at the government printing office. Democracy that we preach in the Mis-Tennessee, lender of the Democrats in which already has the speech in type sissippi valley. Even the presidency peachment, to say nothing of the ful- than it would to go to a private printminations of the more ardent and belli- ing office, have the type set up and the

Of The Daily Congressional Record each representative has 27 copies, which be can dispose of as he pleases. The howl about representatives and ruptionists fear to deal, and that is ments, garden seeds, etc., and pocketing the proceeds is 99 parts lie and

is on the other side of the big aisle." out of 100 senators and representastand like a stone wall? If any man tives spend more or less of their own

noney to purchase these things for heir constituents after their quotas pever kept an account of it, I have no doubt that I have spent close to \$1,000 that way. I have no idea that I have spent more than many others. Some

Representatives and senators frequently swap books, etc., with each other-always for the benefit of their constituents-to secure for them things that they want.

I have thought it meet and proper to state these facts for the benefit of all It was blunt and undiplomatic, but concerned. The vast body of honest and honorable senators and representaand did it, very much to the disgust of tives ought not to have their reputations smirched by the disreputable conduct of a few degenerates. Hon. J. the Hoosier wants-somebody else's Sterling Morton once published a stateland and gold-but he desires to veil ment that he had positive knowledge that some "western congressman, defeated for re-election," had sold his quota of garden seeds for \$75, thereby casting reproach on every western congressman defeated for re-election that year, and the woods were full of them, for that was the year when lots of us made vicarious atonement for Grover Cleveland's political sins. What Mr. Morton ought to have done was to pillory the congressional wretch by name. That would have been a righteous and courageous deed, a public service. a just punishment to the congressional malefactor, but he did nothing of the

The Franking Privilege. Again the franking privilege is given to senators and representatives not for their own benefit so much as for the benefit of their constituents. Occasionally some one violates it and franks unfrankable matter, but such are the exceptions to the general rule.

In order to make buckle and tongue meet it is whispered around that our Republican friends will report no river and harbor bill this year. They seem to think, as did Mr. Reed, when he once said, "The Missour! river is not navigable, and the Mississippi ought not to This fact remains, however-if the great rivers are kept in a pavigable condition, they act as regulators of freight rates even though a boat should never float upon their bosoms. Keep them navigable, and the possibility of their being navigated is always before

Joe Sibley. The other day my good friend, Hon. Gage, secretary of the treasury. As I Utah in his seat. It is unnecessary to Mr. Vest called attention to the fact did not desire that Mr. Sibley's do state that the statement is false but here that "no man could make a stronger fense of Gage should be charged to the are the closing words of his eloquent and refuse them social recognition, the who has produce of the soil or labor to statement against the policy of the ad- Democrats in general, I made the fol- speech in congress;

to withdraw Dewey and his squadron, attitude, for two reasons: In the first is the position of the president?" in- ered a fanciful physical resemblance we are frequently mistaken for each

Mr. Sibley-Let me interrupt you to say that a gentleman just now, who Ruralist. was looking for Mr. Clark of Missouri, came up and addressed me as Mr.

"Well, that is precisely the trouble "I disclaim now any intention that about it. I should hate exceedingly to man to muzzle me and restrain my get orated round over the country as vice president of the United States. and while I do not withdraw my per-In conclusion, referring to the Paris sonal affection, I wish in this distinguished presence to withdraw that

Salser's Courage.

"I honor Mr. Sulzer for his courage tion by Democrats everywhere.

"In the Fifty-third congress my friend

from Pennsylvania occupied a position of exceeding glory. He was more explotted by Democratic newspapers than | Gage.-Minden Courier. any other member of that body. I think nothing more splendid was ever uttered in this house than the first speech that my brother from Pennsylwhich he stated. If I mistake not, that men in seven minutes, in the assault on he had been ostracized by the pluto- Perersburg and yet brought off its guns. crats of the east in his social relations At Antietam the First Texas lost eightyand cut in his business relations because, as a matter of conscience, of reason, of patriotism and of humanity seventy-five killed and 140 wounded, he was in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to L. We of 262 officers and men, and yet brought cause he was the only congressman to such war as that even the Boers may the Allegheny mountains who, in the Fifty-third congress, stood faithful under all circumstances to the kind of

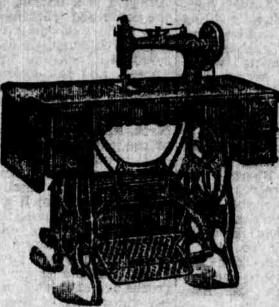
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PROUD REPUBLICANS. The McKinleyites have caught Aguinaldo's baby, his wife and his mother, but though the army has made these gal-lant captures, of which every republican is so proud, Aggie himself and his armies are at large, and battles occur every day in sight of Manila.-Dakota

PASS THE BILLS

of the year was \$1,026 772,320.00. On March 1, 1883, the time of the last panic it was \$585,034,260. Six years of "good times" has doubled the interest bearing It is proposed by the new repubact of congress. The bill should be selves .- Dakota Ruralist.

AS PRACTICED BY GAGE National Bank building and should sell it to the bank taking a check for the amount. The county treasurer should and his fidelity exhibited amid environ- transfer of property. The bank owns ments which would discourage, dis- the building except when the assessor hearten and appall a more timid man. comes around, then it is government. His example is well worthy of imitation to this the county board orders the treasurer to turn over each day all monies received to said bank, charging the bank nothing for the use of it. This is republicanism as practiced by Sec.

SKIRMISHES IN AFRICA. Speaking of the British loss in the Transvaal. The First Maine heavy ar two per cent in the day's fighting. On July 2, 1863, at Gettysburg, the First Minnesota volunt ers in a charge lost leaving only forty-seven unharmed out hailed him as a here and a martyr, be- off its colors. When England gets down think war is not a picnic.-Culbertson

WHAT'S THE USE?

countries so much more of our products pending in congress. The said bill deget any money for the surplus? During ey and gives national banks the privi-the past two years the balance of trade in favor of the United States has been lege to issue their notes to the full more than a billion of dollars. We have amount of the par value of their bonds, received about one fifth of the amount said notes to be used by said banks as honest opinion is, without intending to be disrespectful or unkind, that his place in this house, and the place of those who entertain similar opinions. National Watchman.

posits, to favor a pet bank, to violate the their obligations in gold. law and to risk impeachment, removal Now, I am not very strongly in favor and punishment without any visible of retaliation as a rule, yet we are some-compulsion put on him?—New York times obliged to stand in self defense, World.

OSTRACISE TRUST MAGNATES

wrecking a bank or a railroad should no is to awaken and educate the public mind and conscience on such matters. who are leaders in education are taking up the matter for discussion. It is a step in the right direction, and I have no doubt that their researches will re sult in greatly helping to solve the problem. But so far as ostracism is concerned. I do not believe that as a remedy for the trust evil it is likely to be-

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come noticeably effective very soon."

## From Red Willow County

This county is in the southern tier, seventy miles east of Colorado. I have claims on Lyman growing out of its starvation in Porto Rico; we have un- columns not very long ago, before 1 on an absolute gold standard and give farmed here eighteen years. Crops were But this plan of boycott will force them rest and disquiet in Cuba, and we have knew of his change of base, to urging to the secretary the power to issue bonds good some years and light others. In to see, and when they do see and underat his discretion without waiting for an 1894 crops failed, except alfalfa. It made four to five tons per acre that year to do business with and an American passed. With plenty of rope these made four to five tons per acre that year to do business with and an American scoundrels will the sconer hang them and sold at \$10 per ton. In 1899 it made financial or money system adopted to four to six tons per acre and sells now our advanced and progressive civiliza-at \$5 per ton in the stack. In 1897 and tion independent of any other nation, 1898 wheat made twenty to forty bush- or of any bank ring, or organization. els per acre, and corn forty to sixty. Suppose the county owned the First Two brothers raised over 16,000 bushels of wheat each of those years. In 1899 crops were light, still some farmers raised 1,000 to 1,600 bushels of wheat deposit the check with the bank. No and 2,000 to 3,000 of corn. Some raised the rule of accepting no national bank money changes hands and there is no but little. One man sowed 100 acres of notes in payment of anything, but de wheat and did not get 100 bushels. His mand money every time, and you will neighbor sowed 100 acres and got 1,450 bushels; he put his in good, the other yet devised. Men who have never given did not. A good many came here poor the question of legal tender a thought and now own 160 to 320 acres, improved will be inquiring about it and will have and paid for, and have good homes, to see the naked truth. Give us your Some came with \$2.000 or more, made a views on this question, and hurrah for failure and left. Stock is in good condition and has not been fed any this winter. I have not fed stock two months any winter since I came here, The weather is fine, roads are dry and smooth. | coal. The soil is in good condition for seeding uf Some farmers commenced last week and vanta [Mr. Sibley] delivered here, in tillery lost seventy-five per cent of its have thirty to forty acres sown already. WM. COLEMAN,

Mc Cook, Neb.. Jan. 16, 1900.

## LET US STRIKE BACK

National Bank Notes Are Not a Legal Ten der Except to the Government of the United States. Editor Independent.—I am constrained

to advise our reform brethren to strike back against the dastardly blow aimed at the industrial classes of our country What's the use of selling to foreign in the "Atlantic City Money Bill" now agrees to accept them in payment of all dues to the United States except duties POLITICAL HYPNOTISM on imports and interest on the public There is the vast and unexplored field debt). Now this is all for the benefit of of hypnotism. What is the nature of the ring who want to loan their (debts) that potent influence of the stronger notes to people who want money to do will by which, for instance, a secretary business with, at their own set price of of the treasury is made to contradict interest. And then the borrowers will

himself, to pay interest on his own de be compelled to pay back the amount of

believe we are now in a position justifying such action, so I submit my plan for the earnest and candid consideration of President Hadley of Yale having ex- my worthy and patriotic reform brethpressed himself as favorable to the plan ren everywhere. My plan is to boycott interview was shown to Bryan who re- sell, or who has any money due him on contracts or obligations of any kind, re-"The idea is a good one, and should be fuse to accept any notes of the national be waged; we stand against polygamy encouraged. A man who tries to rob banks at any time, or under any circumthe public by means of a trust or by stances, in payment of such obligations. If only a few men in each community more be countenanced by society than a adopt this rule and stick to it, the great plain highwayman. The thing needed men at the head of our government men at the head of our government would clearly see that their system is rotten, and that their single gold stand-"I am glad indeed, that college men ard could be maintained but a very short time, for as the bank notes are not money we refuse them and demand money. As there is no money except gold and silver, they will be forced to understand the difference between notes and money and between so-called cur-

quire as to what was the matter with he money, and they to would be forced to understand something about the meaning of the word "money." We, old cart horses of the financial reform movement, fully realize that not more than an average of three in ten voters understand the meaning of the word "money" stand the truth I believe thousands of them will be with us demanding money

As it is a legal fact that national bank notes are not money; are not legal tender-we are not obliged to accept them in payment of any dues whatever. Let me admonish you one and all to adopt see it will prove the greatest eye-opener the boycott. J. M. WOODCOCK, S. Sioux City Neb.

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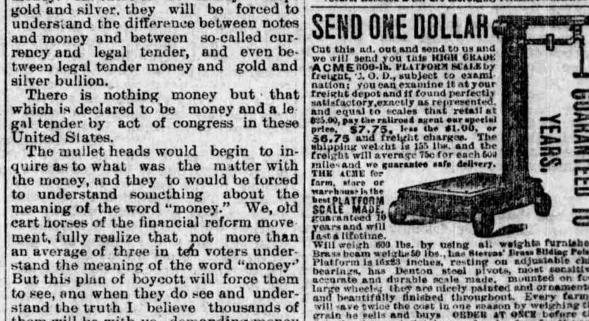
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