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A PLAIN BUSINESS LETTER.

Some Republican Secrets are Most Frankly Told.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 13.—An Omaha business man just received a letter from the Abner L. Backus & Son's company, grain and seed merchants at Toledo, O., to the effect that that firm was dubious about doing business for fear that Bryan would be elected.

It was the same old letter sent out for effect.

The Omaha firm, whose members know considerably more about grain than they do about politics, promptly replied that there was no danger of Bryan being elected, for even Nebraska would go for McKinley. The following letter was received in reply:

"The Abner L. Backus & Son's Company, Grain & Seed Merchants.

Toledo, O., Oct. 10, 1896.—Dear Sir: Your letter came in and noted. You make us feel better at the political situation, but we have had three polls here in a 4,000 majority district and dare not announce the result.

We have 10,000 idle men in our city alone who are anxious for a change, and we fear the labor vote is solid against McKinley.

We claim Ohio by 150,000 to 300,000, but our wisest men are not doing anything but claiming. Why, every straw that we can obtain shows labor unions here are about 278 for Bryan and 1 for McKinley, and this is his own state. As soon as the new corn moves we trust we can work some from you.

Yours truly,

"THE ABNER L. BACKUS & SON'S COMPANY."

INDIANA FOR BRYAN.

Col. Bright Claims the State by 25,000 Majority.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 9.—Col. Richard Bright, who has just returned from Indiana, believes that state will give Bryan 25,000 majority. He has traveled through all sections, particularly through the farming regions, and finds the silver sentiment rapidly growing. Farmers, he says, who have all their lives voted the republican ticket are now lining up with Bryan, because they find more hope for relief from the oppression of debts and low prices from the triumph of the democratic party than in the success of the supporters of the gold standard.

Col Bright was particularly impressed with the obliteration of party lines in every direction. Estimates based upon former political results he considers worthless and believes that the victory of the Democratic party at the polls in November in Indiana will be won by a majority fully up to the figures given.

Col Bright is perfectly familiar with Indiana politics, as he has lived all his life in that state. The canvass made from which he derived his estimate was the entire state by counties.

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Virginia Items.

writing news for the TIMES this year.

It will be things we see and hear, and if we get them wrong or mixed friends forgive us for this is '96.

Lena Rayburn, of Jefferson City, was in Virginia Friday last. He came to his farm at Mulberry.

C. C. Wilson visited his brother at Mansville last week.

Miss Mary Oroure has the diphtheria.

Five of Mr Kipp's family, living at Mt Carmel church, were sick at the same time. Two of them died, one last week and the other about two weeks ago.

Erwin Wilson has purchased a new horse.

Miss Verna Cook was taken sick last week with the same fever the other of the family had.

D. Woody and wife were at K C last week, and stopped at Lee's Summit to visit J D Durrett and family a few days.

Mr W J Oren, of Baileyville, Kan., was at the Christian church Sunday morning and evening. He will continue the meetings all week.

Mr Dobbins and Frank Smith were on the sick list last week.

Miss Beattie Bratton, of Burlington, is visiting the family of C W Wolfe.

P Nickell took in the sights at K C last week.

Last Wednesday Drs Christy and Brooks met in council in Mrs W W Smith's case. She is not much better.

Will Smith, of Butler, was out to DeArmond Monday night.

The quilting at the home of Mrs Crooks last Thursday was a pleasant affair. Those present were Messrs John and Alfred Jackson, W. Cowan, Peter Denning, J H Park, Mr Crooks, Phillip and Fred Heckler, Misses Alice Crooks, Ida Cowan, Peter Denning and Nettie Yeoman, and Mrs. Ross.

Miss Emma Ross, who has been visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs Peter Denning, for a few weeks, left for her home in Champagne, Ill., last Monday. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Minnie.

Mr Vanmeter and wife, of Foster, were at Virginia Sunday night to Rev Oren preach.

The Free Methodist meeting at the school house is still in progress.

J. Wolfe, the Bryan free silver man of Burlington, Kan., is visiting his parents, Mr and Mrs C W Wolfe, a few days. He expects to give Bryan free silver club a speech when he returns home.

John Ross, of Atehonson Co, Mo., sold old corn in that county was selling at 10c per bushel and that the

new crop is the best that has been for years.

Miss Nettie Yeoman, of Spruce, who has been visiting the family of her uncle, Peter Crooks, and other relatives returned home Friday.

Afton Park, who has been attending court at Clinton, returned home last Friday.

Miss Kate Harper, of Butler, came out Saturday night and remained until Monday with her cousin, Mrs W W Park.

School in the King district had to close on account of diphtheria, there being fifteen cases reported.

Sunday night as Geo Pilgrim and family were going to church, their horses became frightened at two young men on horseback riding rapidly up behind them and ran about a mile, throwing Miss Ella out of the wagon but she was not hurt.

Dave Bean, who was on the sick list last week, was in town Monday.

C W Wolfe was out in Kansas last week. He came to a large field of cuckeburs and seeing some men's heads sticking up above the burs, he took off his hat and said "hurrah for McKinley!" To his surprise they just raised up all over the patch and said "Hurrah for Bryan!"

Last week we had comparative quiet along the political line with now and then a howl coming from the timber about how things are going on. I think but few changes have taken place at present. Monday night Judge DeArmond spoke to a large audience in the Christian church. As the hall would not accommodate half the people, the church officers kindly opened the church for the benefit of their neighbors who wanted to hear Judge DeArmond. They will long be remembered for their kindness shown on that night. People of all parties were out to hear the talk and every thing went off quietly. The Judge did not say much about the tariff question, but thought the income tax principle was all right.

Next on the program is the Club meeting Friday night.

The republicans and prohibitionists will hold meetings next week.

AARON.

Ballard Items.

Farmers have commenced gathering corn.

The protracted meeting conducted by Rev Scott, of Marion Co, and Rev Victor, of Clinton, at Fairview, closed Wednesday night.

Mattie Crow is at the service of the ladies who want dressmaking done. Mrs Mosher will spend the winter with the family of her son, George Wiggins, in the north part of this state.

Uncle Billy Griggs and wife have been visiting in Vernon Co.

John Greer has a nine-pound boy, but cannot tell whether he yells for Bryan or McKinley.

Mr Dobbins, the mule buyer from Holden, was in Ballard a few days ago and bought seven head of mules.

This neighborhood is being thoroughly canvassed by a Chicago agent for dry goods, clothing, boots, shoes, hardware and furniture.

Uncle Johnnie Evans and wife have been visiting their daughter, Mrs Greer, in Barton county.

C N Teeter has his book of poems completed and before the public for sale.

Mrs J E Warford and daughter attended the re-union at Judge Dalton's.

PEKAH.

Austin Items.

Mrs Mary Cordell, of Harrisonville, is visiting the family of her son, J W Cordell.

N M Nesterode and family visited Mrs N's sister, Mrs J W Cordell, Saturday and Sunday.

Ed Arnetts, of the Nation, has moved back and says there is no place like old Austin.

Geo Finley has been to K C selling a span of fine mules.

The Baptists are holding a big revival this week.

John Cordell and Wm Metcalf took a load of nuts to K C and attended the P P parade.

Miss Grace Briggs has gone to Denver, Col, to spend the winter with her sister.

Miss Lona Woodard has returned home from Deepwater, where she has been visiting her sister, Dell.

Chas Taylor and Frankie Porter were married some time ago.

NELS' CLERK No 8.

ST. LOUIS DRY GOODS MERCHANT MAY GET IN TROUBLE.

St Louis, Mo., Oct. 11.—Considerable of a furor has been created in local political circles over the discharge of twelve clerks by Mr. Dugald Crawford, proprietor of a large department store in this city, for the reason, it is alleged, that they intended to vote for William J. Bryan for President.

Chairman S. B. Cook of the democratic State central committee has engaged ex Governor Charles P. Johnson, a noted criminal lawyer, to take the case up and cause Mr. Crawford's conviction under section 3742 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, which make his alleged offense a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment.

The Missouri corrupt practice act, Mr. Cook said, is also applicable to this case.

In the course of an interview tonight Chairman Cook said: "Citizens of the city of St Louis have subscribed ample funds to defray the legitimate expenses of prosecuting violators of this law, and the Democratic State committee will, as far as it is in its power, protect every man in the exercise of his elective franchise, and vigorously prosecute every person who, by intimidation, coercion or other unlawful means undertakes to prevent any man from exercising the sovereign right of an American citizen."

TRIES TO CONTROL VOTES.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 13.—Dugald Crawford, the big dry goods merchant who discharged a baker's dozen of his men last Saturday because they announced their intention of voting for Bryan and Sewall, has repented his action, and to day, over his own signature, in a public letter says he will take the men back. In part he says:

"I have invited all the men to return to my store and to occupy their former several positions, without prejudice as regards the future, and without loss of salary since they left my employ.

A man in anger often makes mistakes, but I do not believe he loses any of his manhood by admitting his error. I desire every man in my employ to vote as he pleases, but I believe every man who carefully studies existing conditions should vote for McKinley.

To allow all of my employers to vote as they please, and have ample time to do so, I have decided to close the store of D. Crawford & Company at 1 p. m., on November 3d."

MURDER OF A STOCKMAN.

Wyatt Williams, Well Known in Kansas City, is Killed.

Ardmore, I. T., Oct. 11.—The murder of W. Williams, a prominent and well-known stock man of Texas and the Indian Territory, in this city last night, by Bud Watkins, and the sensational midnight chase and capture of the murderer by United States Marshals Booker and Tucker, assisted by Hon C. D. Carter, who with a Winchester at the head of the prisoner, forced his surrender, has created the greatest excitement known in the Territory since the killing of Bill Dalton.

Williams was a former cattle king, well known in Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City and the West generally, and leaves a wife and four children.

Bud Watkins, the slayer, admits his guilt, but says he shot in self-defense, which is denied by half a dozen witnesses, all of whom say Williams was shot twice before he pulled his gun, and that as he fell, dying, he fired one shot, and died with his pistol cocked in his nerveless hand.

The United States court and grand jury are in session, and it is the intention of the officials to give the prisoner a speedy trial, as this is the first murder in Ardmore since the courts have had complete jurisdiction, and the charge that justice

Finds His Wife Dead.

Nevada, Mo., Oct. 13.—The wife of C. D. Smith, a farmer living thirteen miles east of this city, was found dead in the house this afternoon, with her head crushed. Her husband was digging potatoes in a field some distance away, and his wife was alone in the house when he went away. It is supposed she was murdered by a tramp.

Fears Ran and a Jail.

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KNOCKED OUT.

Is the Brooklyn Gold Ticket by the Courts.

New York, Oct. 12.—Supreme Court Justice Clement in Brooklyn this morning decided that the name "National Democratic Party" is substantially the same under election law as "Democratic Party." This practically nullifies the decision of Secretary of State Palmer, in which he allows the state candidates of the so called National Democratic Party to have a space on the official ballot.

Coming Back Disgusted.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 13.—C. H. Washburn of Kansas City, chairman of the republican Congressional committee of the Fifth Missouri district, and Marvin Smith, secretary of the committee, who have been here for several days trying to induce the national committee to send some speakers to Kansas City are disgusted. They have not been able to secure the promise of any one and will leave for home to-morrow. "No one seems to think it worth while to pay any attention to Missouri," said Mr. Washburn this evening.

Bryan Will Win.

New York Journal.

Unless there shall be a reaction within the short space remaining between now and November 3, William Jennings Bryan will be the next president of the United States. And the outlook is far more favorable for a democratic groundswell than for a republican reaction.

A Hen's Omen of Victory.

Richmond, Ky., Oct. 6.—Dock Cobb, a prominent farmer of Red House and brother of County Attorney J. Tevis Cobb, brought here today what is undoubtedly the most remarkable campaign curiosity ever seen here.

Its a hen's egg on one side of which, in bas relief, is the letter "B." On the other side is an exact figure, also in bas relief, of an American dollar, on which are plainly visible an eagle and the figures 16 to 17 the "1" being preceded by a "5."

Beautiful Inland City.

The recent session of the St. Louis conference at Sedalia incidentally created much sentiment in favor of making that beautiful inland city the capital of our commonwealth. Hundreds of visitors from various sections had the opportunity to note the convenient location of Sedalia, easily accessible as it is from all directions and by several roads, the handsome streets and attractive homes the elegant churches, and other engaging traits of the place, as well as to admire the eligible site proposed for the new state buildings. In a contest between the old fashioned hamlet which is now the capital of Missouri and the modern, enterprising, spacious city which asks that the public building be located within her bounds, Jefferson City is not to be mentioned.—St. Louis Central Christian Advocate.

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