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## AN APOSTLE OF SILVER

### Nevada's Senator Replies to Cleveland's Letter.

#### THE SILVERITES ARGUMENTS

Financial Policy Declared to Be the Root of All Evil the Country Recently Suffered.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Senator Stewart has addressed the following letter to President Cleveland, commenting on the latter's letter to the Chicago committee:

"Your letter of the 11th, addressed to W. C. Baker, George M. Smith and others of the Chicago committee is timely. The country looks to you as the champion of the present financial condition of the country. The policy for which you have labored so long and persistently has been established, and the money of the United States is reduced to the shrinking volume of gold. You say: 'What is now more needed than anything else is a plain and simple presentation of the argument in favor of sound money.' The policy which you have adopted and forced upon the country in all your public utterances for the past 10 years is the necessity for sound money. You have excited the curiosity of the people by your frequent use of such phrases as 'sound money' and 'safe currency,' but you have never condescended to satisfy that curiosity by stating what those terms meant, or what is 'sound money' or 'safe currency.'

"The people would like a definite answer, as they do not understand what you mean. Your recent sale of \$62,000,000 of bonds to the Rothschilds' syndicate for \$9,000,000 less than their market value to obtain gold and maintain gold monometalism is some evidence of your familiarity with the 'forces of safe currency.'

"Your assertion that the opposing forces are those of silver monometalism, shows that you do not understand the position of the bimetalists, or that you knowingly misrepresent the position. Assuming, as I must, that it was want of information on your part, without the least desire to deceive the people, you will pardon me for informing you for what the advocates of unrestricted coinage of both gold and silver contend. Why do you urge that a return to the coinage of both metals upon terms of exact equality, as established by Jefferson and Hamilton and maintained by all patriotic statesmen of every party previous to the clandestine demonetization of silver in 1873, would debase the currency and destroy the credit of the government? Have you ever compared the prosperity of the country under your illustrious predecessors who maintained unrestricted coinage of both metals with the misfortune and depression which afflict the country under your administration? Did it never occur to you that Jefferson and Jackson might be right and you might be wrong? Did you ever consider the ultimate possibility of the radical change that Senator Sherman and your associates in co-operating with what you term the forces of safe currency have made?

"You have disregarded not only the teachings of the fathers of the republic, but you have reversed the usages and customs of the civilized world which have existed for thousands of years previous to 1873. You have destroyed one-half of the world's metallic money, and enhanced the value of the other half fully 100 per cent. You have compelled the debtor to surrender more than double the amount of property to liquidate his debts that the money he borrowed would have purchased at the time he incurred the obligation.

"You have increased the value of gold by refusing the use of both metals as

money and have created a constant decline of prices, and you have ruined enterprise, deprived labor of employment and produced universal distress. You now call upon the democrats of Illinois to present a plain and simple argument which will satisfy the people that the financial policy which makes them miserable is 'sound money' and 'safe money.' If you know any argument that will convince the people that it is right for them to suffer depression and hard times while all the wealth they produce is in money, it is your duty to present that argument without delay. Such an argument would be a new discovery and one never before used by an advocate of your 'sound money' forces. If you can show that a contraction of the volume of money, of ultimate payment of gold alone, has made times prosperous, nobody else can show that a contraction of the volume of money, of ultimate payment of gold alone, has made times prosperous, nobody else can. It all depends upon your superior wisdom.

"The country is looking to you and you alone to explain why times are hard. Under your sound currency policy you have delayed the explanation too long. The country is getting impatient. It is encouraging that you appreciate the necessity for prompt action."

In closing his epistle to the president, the Nevada silverite adds:

"Whatever may happen, you are entitled to the gratitude of the American people for your bold and open advocacy of the combination of gold monometalists and the refusal of your secretary of the treasury to put the coinage of both gold and silver upon terms of exact equality. 'You are doing what no other president has had the courage to do since the crime of 1873. Your confidence in your wisdom and ability is sublime, when under present conditions you are willing to challenge comparisons between your policy and that of the founders of the party which placed you in power. If you could point to any benefit you have been to the country your task would be much easier, but in view of the universal distress, your courage far exceeds your discretion, unless you present your reasons for gold monometalism without delay. Are you aware that every professor and student of political economy, except those in the employ of the gold monopoly in Europe and America, is in favor of the coinage of both gold and silver upon terms of exact equality? That advocates of the gold monopoly have nothing to print in favor of their cause except such vague generalities as you yourself employ, and that if you have no reason for maintaining a gold standard which will benefit your cause, then nobody else has?"

#### A Storm of Great Severity.

KANSAS CITY, April 16.—A storm of great severity passed over eastern Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma and the southwest generally yesterday and last night. In Colorado and Kansas it is believed considerable damage was done, but it is impossible to learn anything from these sections because all telegraphic communication has been cut off since 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

For a short time last evening Denver was reached on a very shaky wire, but after 30 minutes the wire failed, and since that time no word has been received or sent into Denver direct over the telegraph wires.

The storm covered a wide area to the northwest, Denver wires via Omaha also being down. In south Kansas and Oklahoma much damage was done to crops. A peculiar feature of the storm was the intense darkness and extraordinary electrical display. The atmosphere was surcharged with electricity, and several persons were stunned and shocked. In the western part of Oklahoma and the Panhandle Egyptian darkness prevailed. Such a peculiar storm has seldom been seen, and the superstitious thought the astronomical conditions, which it had been claimed by a south Carolina minister were now repeating themselves for

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Rain that fell in western Oklahoma was actually a shower of mud.

At 10 a. m. a slow wire was secured to Denver, but it is not sure that it will hold any length of time. Last night Denver and Pacific coast could be reached only by St. Paul and the Northwest by Spokane, Seattle, Portland and thence down to San Francisco and eastward via Reno and Salt Lake.

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#### Confirms Former Observations.

LONDON, April 16.—The Standard in an editorial says the discovery by Professor Keeler, of the Allegheny observatory, in regard to the rings of Saturn is confirmatory of the idea laid down 20 years ago by Professor Trouvelot, of Harvard. Fuller details of Keeler's discovery, it says, are anxiously awaited.

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#### Earthquakes at Fort Townsend.

PORT TOWNSEND, April 16.—This city last night was visited by two distinct earthquake shocks moving south and north, one lasting 10 and the other eight seconds. The quakes were distinctly felt throughout the entire peninsula, but no damage was done, although accompanied by a high wind.

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#### Nearing the end.

PITTSBURG, April 16.—The miners of the Pittsburgh district have been called on to convene April 19 to consider the status of the present strike for a 69-cent rate for mining. It is believed the convention will declare the strike off.

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