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For President, 1900:

Hon. W. J. Bryan,
Of Nebraska.

THE TYRANTS' WAY.

And now we are to hang or shoot the guerillas we capture in Luzon, "for the sake of the deterrent effect such action will have." How exactly we are following the footsteps of Spain in our treatment of the possibly unwise, but undoubtedly patriotic, Filipinos.—Richard D. Dispatch

We have not forgotten that some of our own people, who resisted Great Britain in the Revolution, were treated the same way. The British overran South Carolina after the capture of Charleston, but Marion, Sumter, Lee and others took to the swamps, and with a few determined followers, made it hot for the enemy. Col. Isaac Haynes submitted and took the oath; afterward, he was required to take up arms against his country. He joined the bandits, as the British called Marion and his compatriots, was captured and hanged as a rebel and traitor. No doubt that the Swamp Fox, as Marion was called, would have shared his fate if he had been caught.

It seems that our country is to follow the lead of others to the bitter end of oppression and to the depths of tyranny.

Yes, shoot all who dare be free and strike for liberty, but retribution will be sure to come. If it could reach no one but McKinley, the chief criminal, and his advisers, it would not be so bad; but, alas, our country!—we all have to help bear the results of the policy which has shed oceans of blood and destroyed thousands of human beings. Shall it ever stop? Next year will tell.

MAKING A SCAPEGOAT OF ROBERTS.

What a howl there is about the seating of Congressman Roberts, of Utah, because he refuses to repudiate the wives whom he married when polygamy was not forbidden. There are men of prominence in every city of the United States, who are leading worse lives than Roberts is, and these men would be seated without a question if elected to Congress. There are, beyond a doubt, men in Congress today, who are leading worse lives than Roberts is, and yet we hear no kick against any of these. If Roberts is taking care of three wives, he is doing a whole lot better than thousands of husbands all over this country. Only a small per cent. of the brutes are taking care of one properly. I am not standing up for polygamy, but I can't help admiring a man who respects the vows he has taken.—"Tattler," in Asheville Citizen.

Yes, but you are "standing up for polygamy all the same. You are apologizing for Roberts, and if it were not for public opinion, many would justify him.

The fact that others are guilty of breaking every commandment in the Decalogue does not in the least excuse Roberts. He is an enemy to the home of every man and woman, and challenges every virtuous man and woman to endorse his vile doctrine and conduct. There may be as bad men in Congress as he, but they do not defy public opinion and challenge others

to condone or justify their acts. Roberts does. Thank God, public sentiment will not permit any representative to favor Roberts. He must go.

We would rejoice if there were no unclean men in Congress or in the country, and if any one in Congress is living so as to be a public disgrace and as to encourage debauchery and degradation, as Breckenridge did, we want to see him go, too. But these vile men spoken of above, in the article from the Citizen, have, at least, decency enough to practice their villainy under cover; Roberts openly defied the country. It is indorsement of polygamy to apologize for him. The representatives of the people are, as a rule, decent, honorable, virtuous persons. We can vouch for ours.

MONEY AND FOOLS.

Kinston Free Press.
A slick-tongued man was here recently and took a few orders for job printing from some of our people, collecting part payment in advance. The man jumped his board bill and it transpires that those who gave him orders and cash are out the amount parted with.

It is always so. If some worthy person, known to these people had tried to get them to invest in it, he would probably have received scant encouragement.

In the case of these and others, who listen to strangers and love to be humbugged the true proverb: "A fool and his money soon part company" finds literal fulfilment.

CURRENT OPINION.

When it was thought necessary to insure Republican success, Secretary Hay wrote an open letter to an Ohio Republican in which he vigorously denied that there was any alliance with Great Britain or that any alliance was in contemplation. That was politics. It was true to the letter of the law, but misleading as to the spirit. "Two utterances of leading statesmen of the two countries show that there is an "understanding" if there was no other evidence. On the 30th of November, in a speech at Leicester, Joseph Chamberlain said: "The Union, the Alliance, if you please, the understanding, between these two great nations, is indeed a guarantee of the peace of the world." On the same day, at a Thanksgiving dinner in London, United States Ambassador Choate said: "Let England and America clasp hands across the sea and the peace of the world is absolutely secure."

"How we have progressed! First it was San Francisco, then Hawaii, then Guam, then Manila, and one step more and we will be at the open door of China. "And who shall dare slam the door in our faces?" These utterances, made on the same day by two of the smartest living men, were not made casually. They have deep meaning. They point to the alliance, denied, which has been tacitly understood by the representatives of both countries. For us, we would prefer an open alliance, bad as that would be to the secret understanding which undoubtedly exists.—Raleigh News and Observer.

A Life And Death Fight.

Mr. W. A. Hines of Manchester, Ia., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me. I would not be without it even if it cost \$5.00 a bottle. Hundreds have used it on my recommendation and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung troubles." Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at Theo. F. Knuttz & Co., drug store.

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