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The sundry papers are a catch-all for materials that would not fit into any other series. There is some incomplete correspondence, and some short reports on various subjects. There is partial correspondence, editorials, newspaper circulation statistics, accounting information, advertisements, and short reports on various subjects. Henry Kuhn was born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania, on February 2nd, 1830. In 1854 he moved his family to Atchison County, Kansas Territory, where he was the first superintendent of public instruction, county surveyor, and helped organize the First National Bank. Kuhn enlisted in the Eighth Kansas Infantry in September 1861. He served under Colonel John A. Martin (Kansas Governor 1885 - 1889) until the end of the war. His last active rank was commissioned Captain. From 1865 to 1891 he resided at Fort Leavenworth where he organized the German Savings Bank, built the city's first railroad, and was chief clerk and acting agent for the Indian agency in Indian Territory (Oklahoma). Then he moved to Marion County where he farmed and raised stock. In 1890 he began publishing the "Marion Times." In February 1899 he moved back to Atchison and published the "Atchison Champion." In the autumn of 1899 he moved to Topeka where he died June 11th, 1900.

Creator: Kuhn, Henry, 1830-1900

Date: 1864-1898

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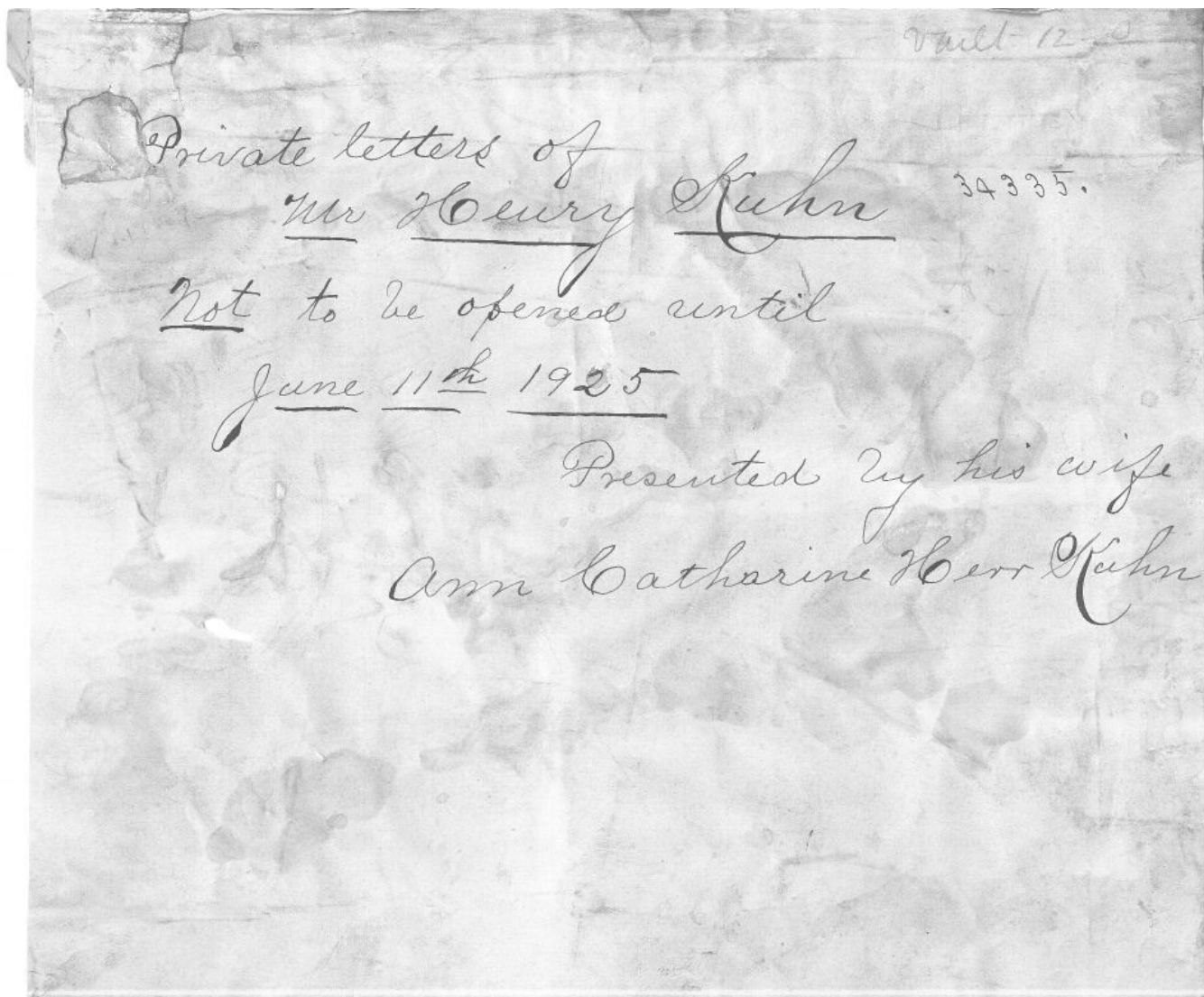
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WALKER & KERSHAW,
TEXAS LAND AGENCY
OFFICE, 404 WALNUT STREET,
St. Louis, 1877

60,000 Acres
— OF CHOICE —
LAND
FOR COLONIZATION,
— IN —
CORYELL CO., TEXAS.
Particular attention given
to COLLECTIONS.
TAXES PAID in all
parts of Texas.

N. E. Quarter section (160 acres) 23
Township 1. R. 17. Brown Co
Improvement: small frame house
Plank fence all around. 30 acres
in cultivation, fine streams pass
nearby filling water running through
it. — 5 miles from Hiarowthen
4 miles from Palo, 4 miles from
4 Railroads, 4 miles from Mo.
River. Valued at \$3000.
Also. N. E. 1/4 Sect. 14. Tp. 1. R. 18
Brown Co, Mo. — 2 miles from White Cloud
2 miles fr. Mo. River + 2 R.R.'s. Fine
Spring, water filling. All unimproved.
Acquired by Patent in 1857. Said
to have been held at \$2000. for
last 5 years.



(O. G.) **PETERS & BRO.**
Wholesale & Retail Grocers,
No. 63 North High Street,

P. O. Box 641

Columbus, O.

1870

Selfish, that she was one of
the most beautiful little
girls that inhabited this
part of the world. Everyone
that ever saw her, spoke
so of her, but I should
have left that part of it
out, & let you see her Picture,
as we were fortunate enough
to get a good one 1 month
before her death. We have
just moved (May 6th) into our
new Brick house, & feel
as comfortable as Kings
& more so. I wasn't aware of
Pearce getting married. I suppose
Capt Murbey is still alive

We will be pleased to see you any time!

I do know G. S. Bailey, he
is quite an acquaintance
of mine, but I do not
know about the Claims,
If you could tell me
the nature of them I
could find out, he is
in the Comptroller's office,

We have just got
a good hired girl
& hope to have another
girl in couple months

Do you know where
Quel's family is,
We (my brother & I)

have been running our
Grocery for 4 years &
find it pleasant, pays
well & liking Columbus
as we do, will keep out
the Western Fever from
us, Is your Danish Clerk there
yet - I forgot his name. Wife joins in respects
to you, self & family, & all enquiring of friends of Peter

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private concern to yourself and your friends.

Very Truly Yours,

Mr. H. Kuhn,

Kuhnbrook, Kans.

Thos. J. Ingalls.

Thanksgiving Day

Gov Sewelling in deference to custom and constrained by the Conventionalisms of his time issued a proclamation for the observance of a day of Thanksgiving, naming this day Nov-30, as did 41 other Governors, to be in accord with the proclamation of the Autocrat at the foot of Pennsylvania Avenue, who rules this mighty nation by a wave of his dexter hand,

The observance of this day, has little or no relation to the text of these proclamations, and is more generally given over ^{by the many} to feasting and frivolous amusements than to thank offerings for any blessings enjoyed, or to deeds of Charity and Compassionate Consideration for the Unfortunate poor and needy.

It is true that a few finding the Church doors open for an hour on this day, wend their way thither in a perfunctory manner, seat themselves circumspectly to listen, listlessly to a sermon of platitudes, or of ~~simulating~~ ^{unseen} and intangible conditions that must be accepted, if at all by a faith that can remove the Sierras ~~across~~ across a Continent, ^{and} if wholesome truths are uttered apply them, as though they were specially intended for the many and the ungodly on the outside, returning to their homes or elsewhere to spend the day in sensual enjoyments and luxurious living in harmony with the many who ^{have no} thought for aught else on that day.

These proclamations have become purely Ceremonial and are looked for by the public *Volens Volens* without any special significance.

7) and driven millions of ^{these} wage earners (a good Republican says six millions of people) the victims of unjust and criminal legislation into that hellish vortex of enforced idleness which not only forbodes ~~that~~ moral ruin indicated in the Omaha platform but endangers the peace and safety of the State.

With these conditions well known to the President and to every one of the 44 Governors and with the impending want and the savage blasts of unrelenting winter staring the unemployed in the face, asking of them the observance of a day for thanksgiving is a hollow mockery. Yea worse even than that. It is searing ^{with burning} the wounds inflicted by the State upon these helpless victims with burning fagots.

Keeping in mind this preponderating account of the general social disorder and distress imperilling the ~~state~~ peace and quiet of the State, our own Governor might have appropriately supplemented his proclamation ~~with~~ an additional reason for observing at least one day for thanksgiving, by reciting the blessings that flow from the outlawing of the mob at Topeka during this year of grace, headed by such "law and order" men as Douglas and Hoch armed with a sledge hammer and with a motley crew of hired ruffians from ~~an~~ adjoining State and elsewhere armed with bludgeons and pistols as a reserve ^{force} ~~at the~~ subsisting on Sandwiches from the Copeland Hotel.

2/ Unless it is with reference to the supply demand
and immolation of the domesticated Meleagris
Gallapavo irrevocably associated with the ~~fact~~
observance of thanksgiving day ~~in this country~~
Go ask the President and the ~~44~~ Governors
if the several reasons assigned as cause for
the observance of a day to ~~xxxx~~ ^{be made devoted to} thank offerings
were fair, candid, conscientious statements without
mental reservation of the true conditions which
environ the great masses of this country who are
called upon to render thanks, and especially of
~~the millions of working people who comprise the~~
~~great majority holding in their hands the power~~
~~to make and unmake Presidents and Governors~~
and not one of them will care to confess
the evasion and concealment of the real
~~and want which is the root in the midst of plenty~~
conditions of the disaster and ruin that has
befallen every industry, paralyzed honest effort
and driven millions of wage earners (a good
republican says six millions of people) the
victims of unjust and criminal legislation
into that hellish vortex of enforced idleness
from whence flows unfathomable misery, crime
and the moral ruin referred to in the Omaha
~~platform and endangering the peace and safety~~
~~if not the perpetuity of the state, and the social system~~



3) With these Conditions well known to the President and to every one of the 44 Governors and with the impending want, made more appalling by the savage blasts of winter staring the unemployed in the face, asking of them the observance of a day for Thanksgiving is a hollow sacrilegious mockery. Yea worse even than that. It is searing with burning fagots the wounds inflicted by the State upon these helpless victims, of the unrelenting greed and avarice of the money power ^{which thing} heedlessly invoking a retribution that may be too terrible to contemplate. SanCutothism, Carlyle says died a hundred years ago, but Civilization is not sure of that. It may be only a sort of suspended animation and it might be well for the ruling classes to make an introspective inquiry into the state of their madness to see if it is that kind dispensed by the gods upon those who ~~ought~~ ^{they wish} to ~~be~~ ^{and which may} destroy ^{awaken the sleeping} ^{giant}.

Keeping in mind this preponderating account of the general social disorder, ^{and distress} imperilling the peace and quiet of every section of the Country, our own Governor might have appropriately supplemented his proclamation asking the people "to give praise and thanks for such blessings as are enjoyed by mankind" with an

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3) paid ^{for} under sanction of law ~~by~~ from funds belonging to the people given in trust for legitimate purposes as additional Cause for observing at least one day for Thanksgiving.

Also might he have added as more cause for Thanksgiving, the defiant revolutionary attitude of the Corporations, in their encroachments upon the rights ^{doing business in the State} belonging to the State & the people, importing or bringing within our borders, ~~large~~ large numbers of Men, arming them with Winchester Rifles, to supplant our Own honest toilers, many of whom by reason of this, are now out of employment; intimidating the local State Authorities and threatening the sovereign power of the whole State with Federal intervention if necessary to sustain their assumption of rights ~~belonging to the State~~ that they are not amenable to the laws of the State by reason of being a foreign Corporation - Let us give thanks that we are at the mercy of tender hearted soulless Corporations -

In the observance of this day ~~let~~ the Governor himself ^{not should not forget} give thanks for the blessings of the Metropolitan Police System which afforded the Chief Executive Officers of the State who preceded him so much unalloyed happiness, and the people of our Cities, such a beneficent prosperous government. Thank somebody for the legacy they have left

4) ~~has~~ additional and specific reason for observing this day for Thanksgiving, by reciting the blessings that flow from outlawry of the mob at Topeka, during this year of grace, headed by such "law and order" men as Douglass and Hoch with a Sledge Hammer Coat of arms, and with a motley crew of hired ruffians from an adjoining State and elsewhere armed with bludgeons and Pistols as a law and order reserve force.

Among the blessings from this source might be named the Copeland Hotel Sandwich bill amounting to \$1460.20 ^(a room 20 cents for Sandwiching and \$1460. for ~~per~~ subsidies) which ~~the people~~ paid under sanction of questionable law, out of public funds, in addition to a per diem service bill of about \$7000. More.

~~And~~ While he was supplementing, he might have added as more cause for Thanksgiving the defiant revolutionary attitude of Corporations doing business in this State.



Committeemen.

First District.
G. W. HARRINGTON.
H. B. SCHAFFER.

Second District.
H. S. CLARKE.
E. B. CROST.

Third District.
J. C. BRADSHAW.
CARL VROOMAN.

Fourth District.
W. T. TIPTON.
BERT LOGAN.

Fifth District.
PIERCE BUTLER.
ANDREW SHEARER.

Sixth District.
C. H. EMMONS.
S. M. CROOK.

Seventh District.
E. J. WESTON.
B. E. KISS.

HEADQUARTERS

People's Party of Kansas.

Officers.

TAYLOR RIDDLE, *Chairman.*
W. T. TIPTON, *Secretary.*
H. S. CLARKE, *Treasurer.*

KANSAS STATE
HISTORICAL SOCIETY
34335.

It has been demonstrated during the past week that a big mistake was made in the appointment of the superintendent of the Topeka asylum. Dr. Wetmore was selected by the board, in the belief that he was well fitted for the place. He was highly recommended as a physician, and was believed to be a good man for the place. It was not long after he assumed charge of the institution until it became apparent that he was too old for the position. He was cross and peevish. Instead of being pleasant with his employes and aiding in maintaining harmonious relations among them, he took the most unwise and unjudicious steps, tending to promote discord and dissention.

The board of charities made up of men in the prime of life, tolerated this embarrassing condition more out of respect for his age than from any other causes. The members exerted themselves to the greatest possible extent in an effort to get along with him, and keep the institution in good condition. It became apparent that there was no possibility of properly handling the institution under his management, and the board was about to discharge him at the next regular meeting.

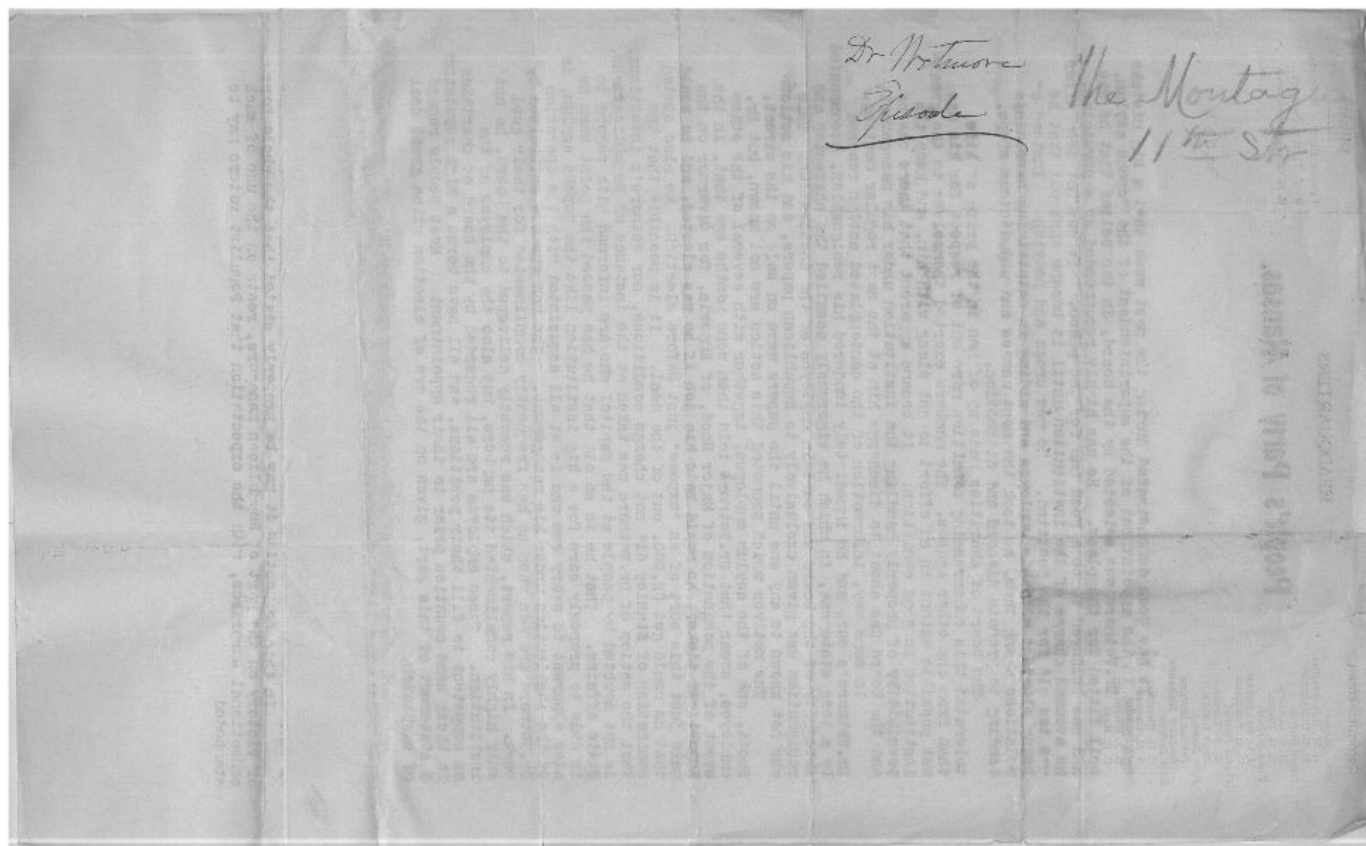
In some way, information of the contemplated action reached Dr. Wetmore's ears and he immediately tendered his resignation, accompanied by a long statement, in which he vigorously assailed the character and integrity of the board and certain employes of the institution. This resignation was given exclusively to Republican papers, and his action was not known to any one until the papers were on sale on the street.

The motives which promoted this action are not known, but Dr. Scott, one of the asylum employes, together with several of the other employes, swear that Dr. Wetmore told them some months ago that, in the event of the nomination of Major Hood, of Emporia, for Governor on the Republican ticket, he would hold his job if he was elected, and he would make just this sort of an "expose" just before election. He also stated that he would get \$2,000. out of the deal. It is possible that the nomination of Stanley did not change conditions, nor Wetmore's intentions. That the action of Dr. Wetmore was taken at the instance of Republicans, is not doubted by people at the Capitol who are informed with regard to State affairs. That he is so old that he has passed the point when he is able to properly care for a big institution like the Topeka asylum, is also apparent to every one who is at all acquainted with the operation of the institution under his management. The men who are criticised by Dr. Wetmore are men whom he has frequently complimented for their good work. In his report, which was recently delivered to the board, he not only highly complimented its members, but also the employes of the institution. These employes are all regarded by the board of charities as competent to fill their positions, and all have borne a high reputation in their home counties prior to their appointment. Most people regard a statement of this sort, given on the eve of election with a great deal of suspicion.

It is very natural that they should ask why this statement, which accompanied the resignation, should have been reserved until this late date, when the things charged, if true, must have been known months before. Coming as it does, on the eve of his discharge and of the election, it cannot be given reasonable weight, or the consideration that would be given the allegations of a fair-minded man, who was uninfluenced by such circumstances.

In this connection it may be properly stated that the whole hope of victory on the part of Republican managers, rests on the use of such sensational surprises, with the expectation that Populist voters may be stampeded.

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The Monetary System

Senator Jones in the fourth installment of his argument against the repeal bill, laid down the broad fundamental doctrine as reported by the Associated Press "that the standard measure of value, of a country could be neither gold, silver, nor a material thing but whatever it might be it was quantitative, and the value of each unit depended upon the number of units, and that there could be but a single standard in a country and that, one of quantity."

Herein lies the philosophy of the whole money question, and we venture the prediction that no member of Congress of ^{conceded} ability and of national reputation

2) will undertake to controvert this proposition. but no doubt there will be Joe Hudsons, ~~the~~ Charley Curtis and a host of other fellows, even less conversant with the subject, who will.

The doctrine is not new excepting in the phraseology of Senator Jones.

That the Standard measure of Value of any government must be quittative and is so understood by the pronounced advocates of the gold standard, ^{themselves} no intelligent man will honestly deny.

Without that element fixed and determined by law there can be no standard measure of value, and it is upon this well known fact that the Creditor class, have predicated their schemes of prostituting members of Congress, as they have the executive branch of the Government to the



3) base and infamous ^{scheme} of making
gold ~~not only~~ the standard of value
by making it the ultimate
redeemer of all other forms of
money and in effect the only
legal tender by which means, ~~there~~
~~will be~~ standard measure will
be impossible of determination,
because "the quantitative element"
will be wholly absent, and the
measure will be one of constant
expansion or contraction ~~in the~~
~~value in its relation~~ as the
interests of this class may be
best subserved, and

Congress, can not ^{can} nor human
skill increase or diminish, ~~or fix~~
~~the~~ by a single ounce, or fix
the amount of gold that may
be coined, as the annual product
is uncertain, inadequate ~~in supply~~
and indefinite, and hence there

4) Could be no limit or quantative measure fixed by Congress and ~~under the law of free coining of gold~~ excepting that there would be free coining of gold as now and by declaring this the only money, the New York Clearing House Association alone ~~could~~ ^{even} without the Co operation of the other great syndicates and ~~the powerful and vast~~ ^{powerful} combinations of capitalists and ~~the rest could~~ ^{could} usurp the authority of ~~Congress~~ which Congress only can exercise under the Constitution - It would not only be able to regulate the standard by which the value of Commodities and labor products would be measured, but it could control the legislation of the Country, as ~~has~~ ^{has} boasting said to day of the banking Corporations which openly declared at their Annual Meeting ~~Conferm~~ ^{confirm} a few weeks ago

class of printing. You can do it all on a Two-Revolution Cottrell.

There is only one thing that you can't do. You can't keep the outside public from finding out that you have such a press in your office. You need tell no one! You may keep as quiet as a mouse, but it will soon leak out.

No live man ever put in a new Cottrell Two-Revolution Press yet to our knowledge and then found he hadn't work enough for it to do.

You take no risk in ordering such a press. You may not see the customers or the work for it **now**. But that press isn't on your floor yet! Customers won't come before it arrives, and they won't fail to come after it starts running.

If you refuse to believe this, we can't do anything to make you accept it as a fact. Indeed, if every one accepted it there would be nothing valuable

*Numerary
System*

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Contraction of the Volume of the
Money depreciates the Value
of Commodities & vice-versa
Christian Era 1,800,000,000
in Circulation
at the end of 18th Century only
\$200,000,000, -
The discovery of America
and the Silver & Gold deposits
increased the Money Volume
& in Europe and Civilization
sprang into renewed Eucery
Commerce again revived
1809 to 1848
Price of gold increased
and
California Gold Stimulated
the — industry of the world

2) Demonetization of Gold
in 1857 - in Europe, because
of California Mines
(Nevada mines)
Subsequent demonetization
of Silver in the U.S. States
in 1893

In this Country to day 30,000
people own 3/5 of the wealth
of this Nation (Ingalls)
Legislate for the many instead
of the few. -

Rockafellow fortune \$125,000,000,

3) Legislature in behalf of the
Creditor Class and against
the Debtor Class.

Money created as unit of
Value.

by legislature
Government, and Seal
Worth or Value

The Unit of Value, represents
the standard measure in
exchanging Commodities

Money power shaping the
financial legislation of this
Country

4) The debt at the end of
the war and the debt
today.

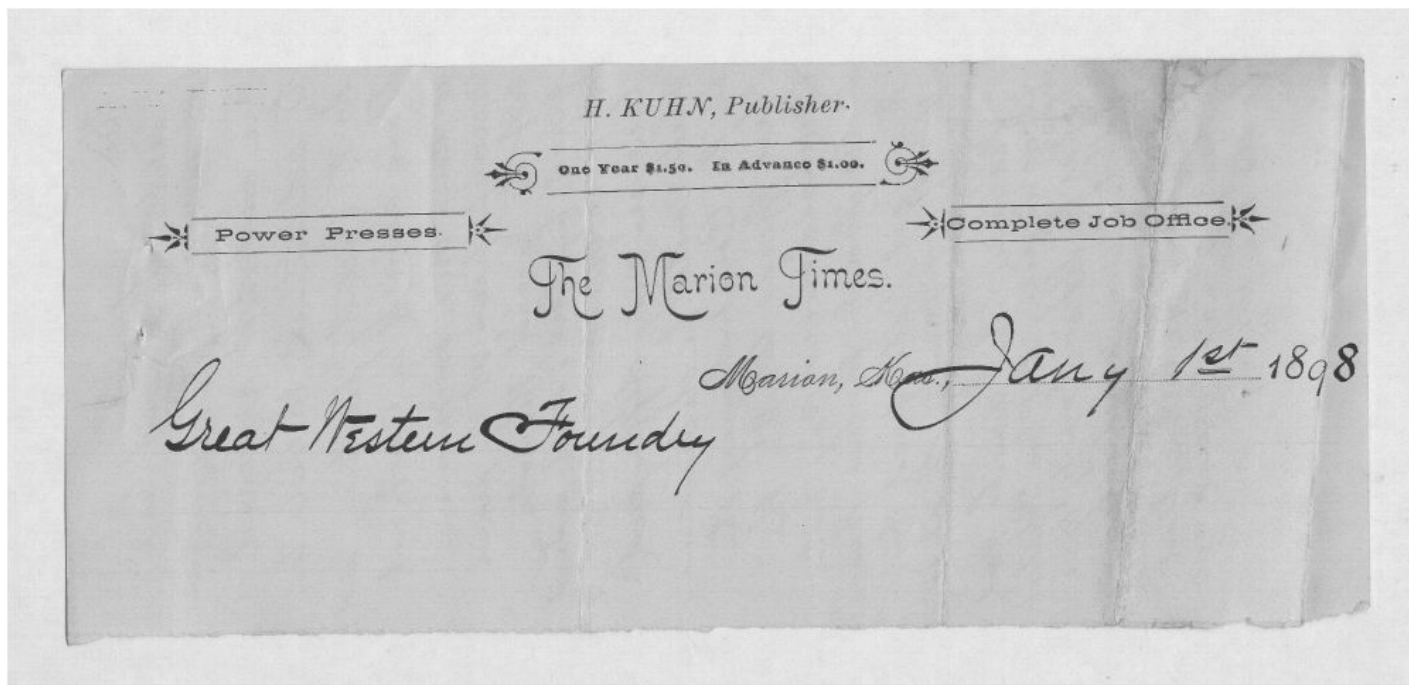
Calls on writer to
explain the difference
between Socialism & Anarchy

More Silver rather than
Gold - Not more of Sherman

Unholy affiliation of the
Rep & Democratic in
Congress

that equals in word painter

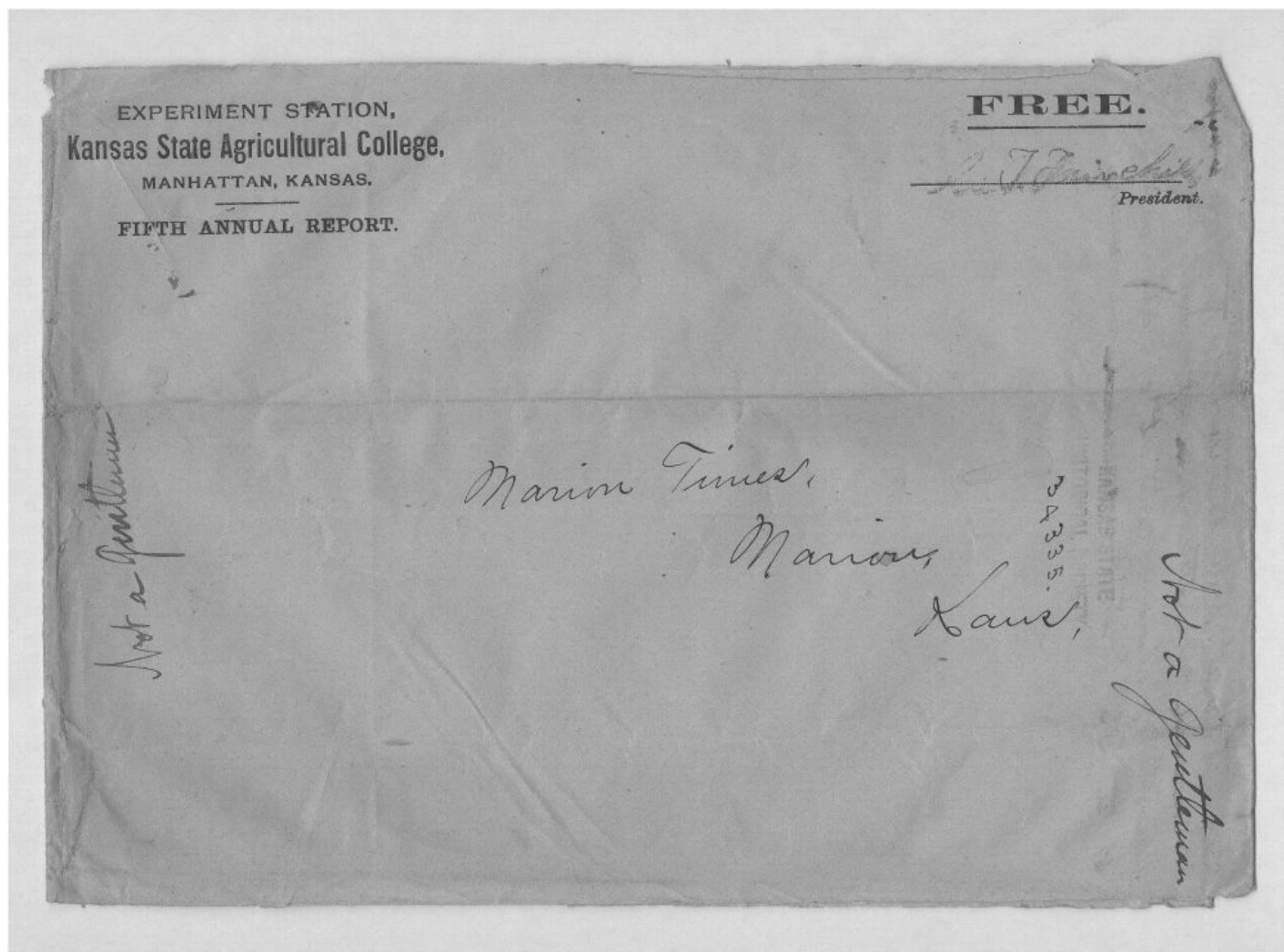
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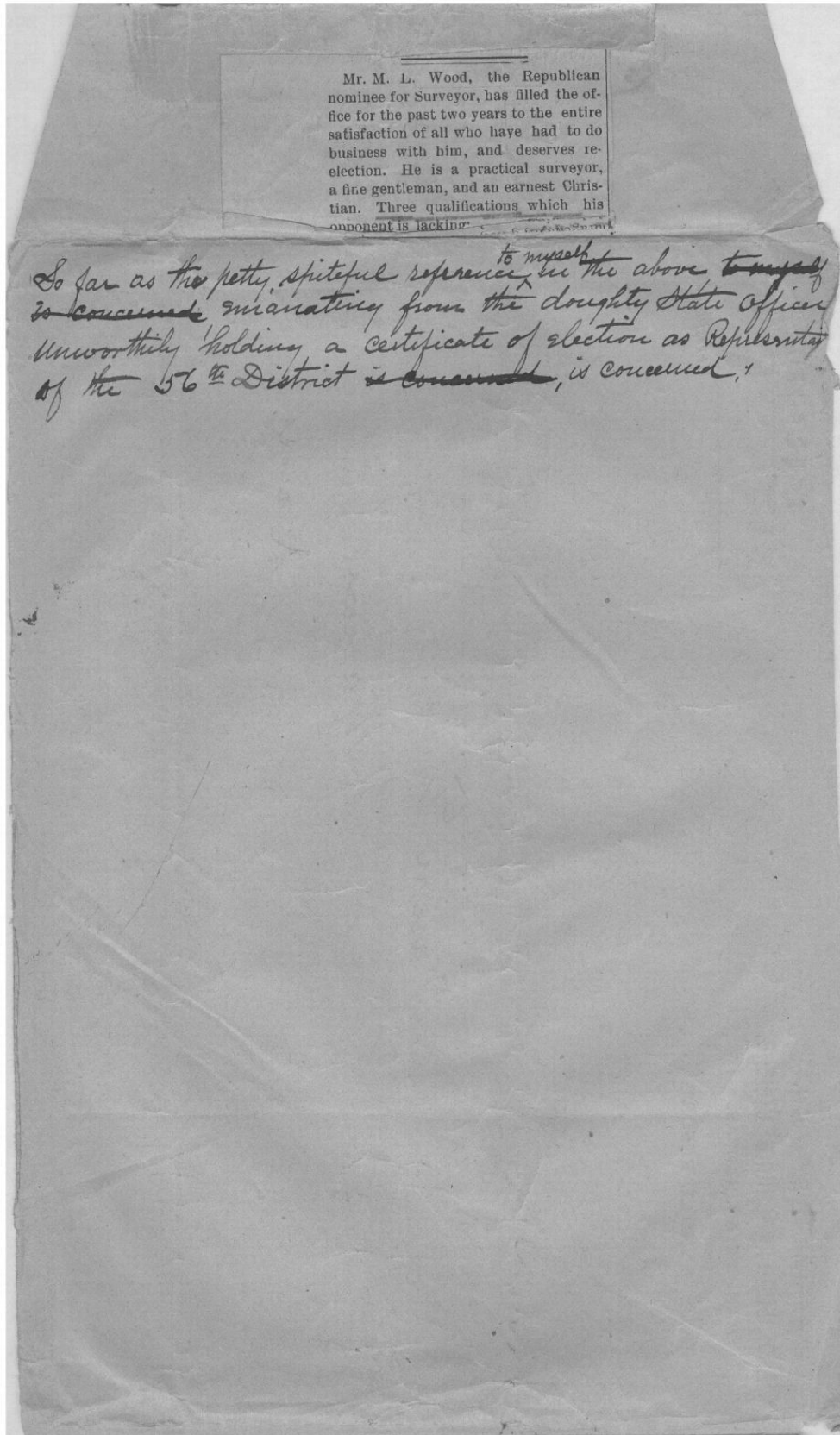


~~See~~
Under the present law
the Boards of ^{County} Commissioners
are ~~not~~ required
to advertise for bids to
do the County printing and
can award a contract
to any one or more
newspapers at a price
not to exceed the rate
fixed by law, and indeed
it is a question upon which
lawyers may differ and
which could be determined
by the Court having the
last guess, whether the
Commissioners can make
a contract for less than
the legal rate fixed by
the Legislature of the State.
However that may be ~~and~~
recognizing that no Populist
~~paper~~ in Marion County was
entitled to any consideration, nor
was any expected fee should
expect any we submitted
a bid three years ago
to do the printing

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THE SEDGWICK BROS. CO.,
Steel Wire Net-Work, Fences and Gates,
Richmond, Ind.



N. Kuhns,

Marion Marion Co. Kan.



We are singularly honored by
the above notice, our other Populist Candidate

In the language of H. J. Dennis of Topeka
~~at any time~~
~~at salary not any robust and that requires~~
And when it is especially feeble to be compelled
to stay up night and walk with it like you
would a sick baby and because it is so
small do not like to hear it abused.
The ~~lawyers~~ say it is an ~~rotten~~ ^{colony} in pay
that ~~applies~~ to no ~~other~~ offer



we refer
above
The Contemptible ^{us} refers to myself
which appeared in last week
Record, ~~that understood~~ ^{the our own} might
~~because we~~ ^{we} might
A manly self respect forbids any
Comments, ~~asking those who~~ ^{those}
Personally, ~~we~~ ^{we} have no objection
to the ~~slap~~ ^{slap} ~~from the~~ ^{from the} ~~doughty~~ ^{doughty} ~~representative~~ ^{representative}
of the 56th Dist. so far as
they ~~refer~~ ^{refer} to ~~myself~~ ^{myself}

So far as personal attacks ^{on myself} of
this kind are concerned ~~unwarranted~~
from the doughty State Officer
unworthy ~~holding~~ ^{holding} the
Certificate of election as Representative
of the 56th Dist. ~~counted~~ ^{counted} ~~that~~
~~is~~ ^{is} ~~avoid~~ ^{avoid} of ~~the~~ ^{the} we would
~~rebel~~ ^{rebel} the above ~~slap~~ ^{slap} ~~upon~~ ^{upon} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~representative~~ ^{representative}
Three years ago

Three years ago we were a candidate
~~self nominated~~ for the office
 Representation of the ^{6th} District
 without hopes of election, but as an
 anti prohibitionist and in favor of
 retaining Ingalls because we knew
~~very~~ and highly declared ~~Verdell~~ ^{Verdell} ¹⁸⁹
 stood square with the people
 on the money question and was
 here to day as against the
 dominating power of Wall Street
 Gold. ~~We do not~~
 It did not require a prophetic
 vision to see ~~what the particular~~
 that the tariff was ^{Number of Shares} accepted
 by both the ~~old~~ parties as the
 plan of campaign ^{Circulation} ^{two years} ^{ago}
 the money power was to direct
 attention from the slowly culminating
 storm that has been ^{now} for twenty years
 gathering fresh impetus ^{under its} ~~power~~ threatening
 the ruin of the industries of the country
 which means moral ruin as well as material

Memorandum of Agreement.

This Agreement, made this day of A. D., 189....., by and between , Publisher and Proprietor of the newspaper printed and published in of the county of and State of party of the first part, and THE PRESS CLAIMS COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, party of the second part;—

Witnesseth: That said party of the first part hereby subscribes for

shares of the capital stock of said corporation, each of said shares being in the sum of One Hundred Dollars.

That for and in consideration of the promises and agreements hereinafter made by said party of the second part, said party of the first part hereby agrees to print and publish in its said newspaper such advertising matter as said second party shall transmit to it for insertion therein from time to time, and to publish and print the same at a discount of per cent. from the current advertising rates of said newspaper, said advertising matter so to be printed to relate exclusively to the claims, patents, and other like business of said PRESS CLAIMS COMPANY.

And said first party hereby agrees to print and publish as herein provided as much advertising matter as shall be equal in value to the full amount of stock for which said party of the first part has herein agreed to subscribe, to wit: One Hundred Dollars' worth of advertising for every share of stock subscribed for.

It is the intention of said party of the second part that said party of the first part shall be permitted to print as much advertising matter as will enable said first party to pay for all of the stock herein subscribed

At that time the Editor of the Press was left - a more explicit resolution would be expected - 262 is now