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## Letter to Mr. J.J Halbert, April 16, 1895

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April 16th. 1896.

Mr. J. J. Halbert,

Terry, Miss.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of yesterday has been received, and I thank you for the same. The free silver fever seems to be rising still higher, and it will, for a time, hold high carnival; but that it will ultimately follow all its predecessors, and go down in shame and disaster, I have not the slightest doubt. The good sense and patriotism of the American people will never tolerate the establishment of monometallism, either silver or gold. We want both metals as money, but on such terms as will ensure their circulation side by side on equal terms and of equal value. That is what I regard honest bimetallism, but the free and unlimited coinage of silver in the United States alone will, in my opinion, as surely establish silver monometallism as the Congress of the United States ever provides for such coinage and carries it out.

I hope to be able to meet the people of the vicinity of Terry at no distant day, but I am unable now to say just at what time I can do so. I am glad indeed to know that you approve my views as expressed in my letter. I have no doubt of their correctness, and believe they will prevail.

Respectful.

Yours very truly,

