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Dear Albion, Tourgey.

Respected friend of humanity
No wonder living as thou dost,
at the head of that lovely sheet of
water "Lake Alphonsus-talk-away"
and as I have been told & be
just above the level of the waters
of "old Erie" only a few miles distant,
thou constituted as thou art,
should "talk-away" upon the
most important subject of
the present age, without fear or
expecting of favor. * * * *

I write this to inform thee
that thy influence is more
widely felt than perhaps thou
art aware of, and to say
a word of encouragement
to one, who knows how
to "talk-away" whose talks are
being felt far and near.
When thou write thy open
letter to the members of
Congress last summer I
sent this humble servant

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to thinking that there were
more duties to be performed
rather than vote to help
elect men to office, so
I immediately wrote to
our member of Congress
to encourage him to do
his whole duty upon the
first declaration made in
our G. O. P. 1888 platform.
He kindly responded, as soon
as that Bill had passed the
House I wrote our Senator
Spooner (who has done all in
his power to effect its passage) and
he responded kindly to my letters
when the compact was opened
upon and then Rep. R. B. Kennedy
of Ohio made his speech
scoring the recent ones
in the Senate. I wrote him a
congratulatory letter to which
he responded, soon after
this, I ventured to try my
pen hard at short articles
in the Inter Ocean among
the first of them was my article

upon the "trinity" of
 "Tom, Dick and Harry"
 I had never written but
 two or three times before in
 my life for publication. It
 was mere business to me
 and coming up from the
 farmers ranks with
 nothing but a very limited
 education I felt a diffidence
 to try, but try you never
 beat and my trying may
 add a little to the ripple
 that was set in motion
 by reading thy letters.
 Therefore I consider that
 for the good of humanity
 in our present time
 thou art taking the lead
 and thy influence is being
 felt to an extent approaching
 that of Harriet Stowe's Uncle
 Tom's Cabin, for our brother
 letting thy light shine, I will
 hold up my "humble taper"
 that people can see the contrast
 and when they sneer at

at mine as they pass, they
will behold the incandescent
globe, and hasten on into
the more glorious light.

If we come with our
deserted efforts of the first
class that speaks of, get
the masses all facing
the light, so that their
own shadows are behind
them, the day will not be
so distant when Freedom-
day will dawn again with
full effulgent light.

God grant that I may it***

Therefore, that from our discord spring,
So lack of harmony in our laws and things;
If I could equalize one hundredth part,
Of others woes, I hold it in my heart.
For if possible for me to regulate,
One half our woes in town or state;
Then from state, to nation would go,
Harmonizing, Equalizing, Regulating Woes.

... I should have said in
passing that when those
right pseudo Silvia Pini's
stood up with the Solid
Democracy, I wrote each
one of them, somewhat
in a sarcastic style,
asking them if they
even read the

G.O.P 1888 Platform, and called
their attention to the 12th
Declaration. I wrote Washburn
as though his brothers Engel
and Elmer who I knew had
appeared to me and told me
to write him for them from the deed.
I then wrote my Minnesota friends
to make up and create sentiment
to shame Washburn and
they have (probably moved, I had not written)
I need a letter (joint) from
the two (Shaw & McCarroll)
stating they (should vote in future
with the Reps, but they have) so the
treachery ones may hasten
freedom let us hope A.M.
W.P.

I read an injury eight weeks ago that had brought me completely under "Hammer" all these weeks, but most of the time I have been as I could read and now can write with a pencil, which I trust will excuse for I had in mind to rewrite thee many times, hoping and trusting that God will spare thy life and continue to give the strength to go on with the great work in hand until our nation is all we best it to be the ~~land~~ of the brave and land of the free I subscribe myself

Thy humble student

Bill Pink

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