

House of Representatives U. S.,

Washington, D. C., May 10th, 1890.

My Dear Judge

I am very glad to say that there is no longer any doubt in my mind about the passage of a Federal Election law, that is settled: Reed is using all of his power to that end, and you know what his ideas are: what we have now got to do is to watch the provisions of the bill: Reed is the throne in the house and the country, so far as the Republican party is concerned, and if there is any power behind the throne, I feel that is yourself: Am satisfied your statements made a great impression on his mind, on that subject. After the report on the Ark. election case, I think the law will pass without any trouble.

Think that case will be an object lesson
to the country, that will prepare the whole
North for the Measure; Comments of the
leading journals will have a wholesome
effect. I know of no one whose words
on this subject will have a better effect
on Congress or the country than yourself.
The "Notes" in *Inter Ocean*, to which you called
my attention, were excellent. Have not seen
Senators Ingalls since I wrote you, and have
seen no notice of his introducing our bill, but
he will help out in the Senate. I feel better
satisfied with the House now, on that measure,
than I do with the Senate. The rules of the Senate
may be in the way, and it is more than likely In-
galls will preside when that matter comes up.
I have finished "Pactolus Prime," while I don't think
it will be denounced by the masses, as was "Uncle
Tom's Cabin," I think its effect on the leaders of thought
will be as great. We seem to have had more leaders
of thought in those days than now. Please accept my
sincere thanks for all your efforts in behalf of liberty,
and for this book especially. Enclosed find my opin-
ion of it, in reply to Mrs. Torrey's request. Please tell
her I shall talk for it and work for it, for her sake, for your sake
and more, for the sake of those whom it will finally benefit
most.

Your friend
Harrison Kelley

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"Pactolus Prime," the latest of Judge Turgiss' novels, is a masterly and vivid portrayal of the portentous questions just now confronting the American people: The white followers of the "White Christ," are forcibly reminded that Nations no more than individuals, can avoid the penalties of wrong acts: And confronted by this Philosophy, it is not pleasant to contemplate the results of our past and present treatment of those of our fellow Citizens who have Negro blood in their veins.

Helley seems
to want me
the electron
bill still

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