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HERALD AND COURIER.

Seignor Lombroso of Enrope is author of the statement that "all men are insane." An exception which proves the rule is apparent to every thinking man, and that exception is "idioty." That an idiot can own and operate a newspaper and know nothing about the business is demonstrated by every day experience, and demonstrated in Oregon City by perusing the columns of the two populists' carrion representatives of that fast decaying political party. If their brains were sufficiently developed they would come under the classification of Dr. Lombroso, but being deficient in that respect they are deemed harmless and allowed to run at large. It will occur to the careful observer in the field of low grade intelligence that the various forms of mental impoverishment may be readily classified under two general heads—**involuntary and voluntary.** All involuntary idiots are either congenital—that is, born that way—or accidental, made so by disease or injury to the cranium. These are held in law to be utterly irresponsible for their acts, and are therefore the only citizens in whose favor the liberty specified in our constitution is construed in its broadest and most absolute sense. The two twin relics of barbarism that preside over the destinies of the Herald and Courier come under this head.

On account of the blessings of total depravity and irresponsibility enjoyed by the voluntary idiot, and notwithstanding the many inconveniences attending the depressed condition of intellectual life, it is a fact that many persons voluntarily seek an individuality from which they will emerge into voluntary idiots. This class will be easily recognized among the populist editors of the populist party of Clackamas county, who lost their party in the Bryan crusade, and no party of any respectability would take them in. In this class may be placed fools, snobs, foys, political fanatics, reformers, anglo-manacs and many others, all of whom are held irresponsible for their venal and petty acts of idioty.

Voluntary idioty is practically incurable; sudden death or solitary confinement for life might be an alleviation, but for unknown reasons such a remedy is rarely resorted to. Most everyone is

aware of the mental incapacity of some and the capacity of others. We see everywhere wisdom, strength of mind and other dominant qualities, opposed to the most abject and cringing servility. High intellectual ability stands beside and upon the same plain as crass ignorance. We judge of the one and the other from surface indications and in abnormal nasal protuberances, not restricted to pawn shops and second-hand clothing stores.

Evidently the editor of the Herald is suffering from megalomania, or swell head, a disease prevalent among populists and other of that class of reformers, and is especially noticeable among editors of demo-popo newspapers. It seems to be the outcome of certain influences and environments. It is usually fatal in its character and few have been known to recover from its effects. As the name implies, it is purely a brain disease, the first symptoms being an exaltation of mind, the patient imagining that others see him as he sees himself. It differs, however, from acute mania and other forms of cerebral hypermetamorphosis in that it has no serious effects upon the patient himself, those who know him being the real sufferers. In the first stage there is, as a rule, some effort discernable upon the part of the victim to overcome this insidious malady, but in the second stage all sense of the deadly power seems to be lost and in the third and final stage the case is utterly hopeless. When in this condition it is better to avoid the patient. Not that it will make any difference to him, but it will relieve your own sufferings.

The Herald is what is known in the terse vernacular of Hungry Hill and Tin Can alley as a journalistic "Nancy." A trifle too dirty for decency and too peevish for aggressive morality. It is one of those papers which an imbecile may understand much better than a man of strong mentality. Its editor has fired a couple of shots at the campaign editor of the Enterprise, thinking, perhaps, that we may be induced to call general attention to the fact that he is on earth. It is impossible for us to accord a free notice to every impudent pamphleteer and 22-calibre editor who attacks us for advertising purposes only. Nor are we in the habit of taking time to notice papers which exist by pandering to prurency, knowing that if given time they will stink themselves into a state of innocuous desuetude. A man may be pardoned for handling muck if it be to build therewith a Jacob's Ladder, or even a Tower of Babel to reach high heaven, but the Herald has no other object than that of the barefooted schoolboy who makes it squirt up between his toes. He simply desires to enjoy the sensation. Not being skilled in teratology we are unable to assign the Herald to a proper place among the mental misfits and moral abnormalities, so will permit it to amuse itself by enjoying the publication of campaign lies and its base and moral depravity.

The Herald is wasting its time and using its ammunition on the editor of the Enterprise, but as it has not and dare not refute the charges made relative to the legislative hold-up, it suffices as an excuse to compel it to make some explanation of that disgraceful affair. If the Herald and Courier will take a course in some journalistic kindergarten and fit themselves to reach the same class to which the editor of the Enterprise belongs, we may be induced to notice them and discuss political questions with them, but in their present infantile state we do not feel justified in noticing inferior journalistic freaks.

DRAWING THEIR FIRE.

The Populists are on the run. Being unable to answer the charges made and proven by the Enterprise on the Legislative hold-up; upon turning over the 16 to 1 doctrine of the Populist party to a gold standard banker; upon the failure to take the oath of office; to redeem the many promises made to the people; the violation of every pledge and obligation made to the people, they now seek to hide their perfidy and shame by resorting to subterfuge and misrepresentation of facts.

They have opened their batteries upon the campaign editor of the Enterprise, but in all the vituperation and abuse indulged in, they have been unable to answer a single allegation made. The campaign editor of the Enterprise is not a candidate for office in Clackamas county, and there is no person in the state of Oregon that enjoys the abuse of incipient, rattle-brained so-called editors, as he. He is having more fun in Clack-

amas county than he has enjoyed since he had the measles.

Never in the history of Oregon was there a more disgraceful proceeding than that which was enacted at Salem two years ago by Bourne and his Populistic allies. Nominated upon a reform platform; profuse with promises of remedial legislation; the advocates of 16 to 1, they sold themselves, their party and their principles to one of the most nefarious coteries of political boodlers and schemers that ever disgraced the state of Oregon. When men who are elected to the legislature to represent the people: to enact laws for their guidance; when legislators who claim to be great political reformers will assist and abet such disgraceful proceedings and allow all their reform promises to go by the board in their efforts to assist Jonathan Bourne to prevent the election of a United States senator, they are deserving of the stigma and disgrace that clings to all moral and political cowards and outlaws. The Populist party and representatives of Clackamas county have plead guilty to the charge. They have never denied, nor dare they deny their participation in that venal crime. They have shown by their actions that they are imbued with the spirit of anarchy, sedition and political boodle. They have proven conclusively that the pretended reforms advocated from the stump two years ago, were tissues of falsehoods, uttered with but one object, and that to fool the people and elect themselves to office, which they disgraced and have made themselves nauseating stench in the nostrils of the community.

The action of the Populists of Clackamas county in the legislature; selling out their own party, deserting their principles; combining with the boodle element of Oregon, shows one thing, and that is, that not only are they a disgrace to the state of Oregon, but they are the pliant and buyable tools used by political bosses to usurp the powers of the people, trample upon the will of the majority, prevent needed legislation, and cause a lasting reproach to be cast upon the name of our fair young state.

If they were honest in their convictions; if they were earnest in their advocacy of reforms; if they were actuated only by a desire to legislate in the interests of the people, they would have answered roll-call, created thereby a legal majority of the house to do business, and made a record for themselves that would have rounded with credit to themselves and placed their party in a position to comprise a formidable element in future political campaigns. But no. Seeming to be actuated only by the greed of gold, willing to sell their souls for a mess of political pottage, they not only disgraced themselves in the eyes of all honest people, but have cast contempt upon their party.

It is possible that they may have believed that if they failed to organize and pass the necessary appropriation bills, Governor Lord would call an extra session of the legislature. But in this they were doomed to disappointment. Governor Lord had too much sense to call an extra session of such a legislature. It would seemingly have been more in order to called out the militia and driven the defiled and polluted old carcasses of the house out of the legislative halls of the state capital. Jesus drove the money changers out of the tabernacle. Why not Governor Lord out of the state capital? Justice and decency certainly demanded such a course. The people will accept nothing less. They returned to their constituents in disgrace and should be forever ostracised from decent society and communion with honest and upright men.

Sedition and anarchy should have to place in our body politic. There are a large number of Populists and Democrats who will not indorse the actions of the Populists at the last legislature. Every man who votes for a man who had anything to do with the legislative hold-up, indorses the action of this boodle outfit and are equally guilty of the monstrous crime of 1897.

NOW AND THEN.

Two years ago the Populist leaders of Clackamas county, and in fact throughout the state were condemning the state militia, calling them "tin soldiers" and demanding that the whole militia be abolished. Their attitude on this question was probably on account of there being no Populists in the state militia, and out of the 855 men now at Fort McKinley there are only three Populists.

The efforts of the Populists to feign patriotism during the present war is simply to gain cheap notoriety. They are not patriots. They are Spanish sympathizers. They are in favor of any other country but the United States. They opposed the Oregon National Guards two years ago, and would be opposed to them this year if they dared to. They openly advocate the abolishment of the entire militia of the state, because an anarchist has no use for the state militia. Nine out of ten of the patriotic soldiers came from the Republican and Democratic party, and ninety-nine out of a hundred of the anarchists belong to the Populist party. No patriotic American citizen can conscientiously vote the Populist ticket. No man who loves his country and his home can trail into the Populist camp. All of the defenders of our national honor and the grand old flag are numbered among the Republicans and Democrats. All the Spanish sympathizers are to be found in the Populist party.

This being true, the importance of the June election is apparent. There is no doubt but that the Populist in the legislature will vote for a man who is opposed to President McKinley. They admit this themselves and it requires no argument to convince the patriotic voters of Clackamas county of this fact. This is an important factor in this campaign and one which should move every Republican to renewed efforts to secure the election of the entire Republican ticket. Oregon would be disgraced were a United States senator elected who was in sympathy with the Populists and against President McKinley. Every loyal, patriotic citizen of Clackamas county, who loves his country and its flag should stand by McKinley in the present crisis and it is the duty of the patriotic people of the state to uphold McKinley by electing the entire state, county and legislative ticket. To do otherwise would mean treason and might result in discouraging the president in his efforts to maintain the national honor in the war with Spain. The Populists of 1898 are the Copperheads of 1861. They fight the government from the rear and extend their sympathy to the Spaniards the same as the Copperheads gave sympathy to the rebels.

A POLITICAL BUSHWHACKER.

Everybody in Clackamas county knows W. W. Myers, candidate for county judge. He is the man that was deputy assessor and made such an unequal and outrageous assessment that the two members of the populist Board of Equalization were compelled to reduce it. He is going around the county telling the farmers that if he is elected county judge he will make the corporations of Oregon City pay all the county taxes and the farmers will be paid for living in the country. Outside of the preposterousness of the proposition, we desire to inform the farmers of Clackamas county that the county judge has absolutely nothing to do with making the assessment of the county. Such statements are misleading and intended to deceive the farmers. Any person that will make extravagant and misleading statements is unworthy the support of the people.

Myers has had a checkered career in politics in this county. Twenty-two years ago Myers made his debut as a candidate for sheriff. Since that time he has been a candidate for every office in every party ever organized. He was a candidate on the Greenback ticket, the Liberal Republican ticket, the Democratic ticket, the Labor-Union ticket, the Anti-Chinese ticket, the Prohibition ticket, the Populist ticket, and is now a candidate on the Fusion ticket. If all the campaign promises made by him were printed they would make a book larger than the Encyclopedia Britannica and just as reliable as a book of Aesop's fables.

The people of Clackamas county are on to Myers and they won't do a thing to him on the 6th day of June. If W. W. Myers had succeeded in selling his \$4,000 ranch to the county court for \$8,000 for a poor farm, it is possible that he might retire from politics, but the county court was on to Myers' scheme and he failed to sell his farm for twice its real value. Myers is a political demagogue and always has his mit out for any and every office he can get. He has never been elected and never will be. Mr. Myers poses as a farmer before the people, but if he ever did any farming it was before he came to Oregon City, as he has followed the business of politics

and office-seeking during his residence here.

WHAT IS A HAREM.

There seems to be a misunderstanding relative to what was said in last week's Enterprise about "Jonathan Bourne's Harem." There are two kinds of "Harems" in this world. A social harem which exists only in Turkey, called a "she-harem, and a political harem that existed at Salem during the time the legislature was supposed to meet, and is known as a "he-harem." A "she-harem" is composed of a multiplicity of wives and concubines presided over by the big mogul of Turkey. A he-harem was organized at Salem in 1897 and was presided over by Jonathan Bourne. A he-harem is a conglomeration of political outcasts banded together for boodle and the spoils of office. The price paid to a member of the he-harem was established at \$80. There were thirteen verdant Populists who joined this he-harem in Salem. They were bought and paid for by a gold standard banker of Portland. It is to be hoped that this brief explanation will suffice to allay any misunderstanding on this question. It was supposed that the average Populist was familiar with political expressions, and as they have demanded an explanation, it is here given, with the hope that it will prove entirely satisfactory to their diminutive understanding. There is no subject on earth that can not be explained and we always take pleasure in giving our Populist friends explanations of different subjects with which they seem to be unfamiliar.

JOURNALISTIC RESPONSIBILITY.

There seems to be a misapprehension relative to the origin of articles appearing on the editorial page of the Enterprise. The campaign editor and not Mr. Porter is responsible for all such articles. Mr. Porter is one of the owners of this paper but does not interfere with or dictate the political policy of the Enterprise.

Two weeks ago, an article appeared in the Enterprise in which it was intimated that E. P. Carter was a Populist. We certainly owe Mr. Carter an apology. No greater insult could be offered to any man than to brand him with the stigma of Populism. Mr. Carter resents the appellation and justly. By so doing he has shown himself to be a gentleman and thoroughly imbued with the principles of good government honestly administered. We will never do any citizen an injustice intentionally and we cannot but admire Mr. Carter's retutation of the charges made against him. There are a large number of voters in Clackamas county who have honestly believed in the principles of the Populist party, but who cannot and will not indorse the sell-out \$80 wing of that party. They are willing to sacrifice their honest convictions to prevent boodler Populist politicians from again getting a whack at a Portland banker's sack. We desire to apologize to Mr. Carter for calling him a Populist.

BOODLER BARCLAY.

Rev. Barclay, candidate for joint senator, has turned more political summersaults than any acrobat on earth. He was first elected to the legislature in 1894 on the Republican ticket. In 1896 he was re-elected to the legislature on the same ticket, but before the election was cold, he switched and joined the free-silverites. He was one of the representatives that joined Jonathan Bourne's academy of political grafters and refused to qualify and take his seat, and was one of the leaders of the hold-up. This year he is running on the Populist ticket. He indorses the actions of the last legislature and thinks they did a smart political trick. He is a smooth, cunning, crafty politician and don't care who knows it.

RANDALL'S POSITION.

OREGON CITY, April 27, 1898.
To the citizens and taxpayers of Clackamas county, Ore.:

I wish to make a statement in this issue of the Enterprise, informing the people of this county as to how I propose to conduct the office of Recorder of Conveyances, should I be elected in June next, in regard to paying a deputy from the salary.
The state law provides a salary of \$1,500 per year for that office. Out of this salary I agree to pay a deputy and I also agree that the deputy will not be from my immediate family, but shall be chosen so as to make the salary of this office support two families. The reason I make this statement through the paper is that I do not want any one to misun-

derstand my position on this point. I am a taxpayer of this county and I am interested in its welfare. Respectfully,
T. P. RANDALL.

U'REN ANSWERS GIBSON.

MILWAUKEE, Or., April 20, 1898.
Editor Enterprise and John H. Gibson: Mr. Gibson wants to know "what did Mr. U'Ren do for the people while he was in the legislature, how many bills did he fail to get and how much money did he get for the failure to get any bills through the legislature?"
Neither myself nor any other populist, so far as I know or have any reason to believe, was ever offered or ever received money or money's worth in any manner or form for anything I did or did not do, or that any or all of us did or did not do, before, during or since the late attempted session of the republican legislature. Any charges or insinuations to the contrary are absolutely false.

And now I wish to ask a question of Mr. Gibson, who in the ordinary affairs of life is a good citizen and neighbor. In that part of Virginia from which I am told you come, do the people consider it a right and manly thing to repeat in print or otherwise, in the form of an innuendo, a malicious slander against a neighbor when there is no evidence on which to base a direct charge? Other Virginians I have known would answer no, and if the form of Mr. Gibson's question is slanderous by oversight rather than malicious intent I shall be glad to know it.

What did Mr. U'Ren do for the people?

With other populists, I refused to aid either faction of the republican party to organize the House of Representatives in its own factional interest, or in the interest of any candidate for United States Senator.

Among the good results of that action is the saving to the people of Oregon of at least three hundred thousand dollars in state taxes for the years 1897 and 1898, as Secretary Kincaid has conducted the affairs of the state on a basis that will make the total expenses less than twelve hundred thousand dollars for the two years, after adding interest on the state warrants.

The first rough draft of the general appropriation bill by the Senate Committee in 1897, adding to it the permanent charges that are not customarily put in that bill, amounted to more than fifteen hundred thousand dollars. My action with others, in refusing to submit to the dictation of John H. Mitchell & Co, and allow the House to be organized in his interest as a candidate for U. S. Senator, has made the state tax levy for 1897 three and one half mills, against a state levy of four mills in 1895 and again in 1896, the two years for which an appropriation bill was passed by the last republican legislature that did organize, and of which Mr. Brownell was a member.

The failure of the last legislature, (of which sixty-six members out of ninety were republicans,) to organize and pass the appropriation bill, saved the tax payers of this county \$2412.16-00 on the state tax in 1897 as compared with 1896. In doing this, I helped to save the state from being robbed by a swarm of idle and useless clerks. The Senate which did organize employed sixty seven clerks, and twenty would have been sufficient to do all the work.

This action of thirty representatives, of whom I was one, and among whom were seven gold standard and five free-silver republicans, three democrats, two bimetalists and thirteen populists, has been approved in fact by an overwhelming majority in the state convention of the republican party, to which Mr. Gibson claims to belong; by the state conventions of all other parties in Oregon this year; by the republican governor and secretary of state, and was approved at the time by all populists and democrats as well as many other citizens who wrote to me on the subject, I think not less than two hundred men. So far as I know, among those who fully understand the matter, our action is condemned chiefly by disappointed and defeated office seekers and their personal friends in the Mitchell faction of the republican party.

In addition to this money saving to the taxpayers, I helped to teach office-holders everywhere that it is not well to neglect the duties of their office while they lobby for re-election; that a United States senator's place is in Washington when the U. S. senate is in session, and that it is not only wrong, but likely to be unprofitable to neglect his duties and attempt to dictate the organization and policy of the legislature of his state in the interest of his re-election to the U. S. senate.
W. S. U'REN.

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