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BARKING UP THE WRONG TREE

THE CHRONICLE has no desire to "chew the rag" with the Oregonian over its falsification of the primary returns of Wasco county. It repeats, however, that the Oregonian did falsify these returns by injecting into the Wasco county primaries an element that was not thought of for a single moment, for as THE CHRONICLE is informed or believes. The "McBride influence failed utterly to appear" in the same sense and in the same sense only that any other conceivable influence that nobody seemed to be thinking of "failed utterly to appear." The Oregonian was after Mr. McBride's scalp. The Wasco county Republicans were doing what lay nearest them and were not, to THE CHRONICLE'S knowledge, thinking of Mr. McBride. When the Oregonian says it has positive and authoritative information that the result of the primaries here was reached "without promise, direct or indirect, to the mousing senator" it states what THE CHRONICLE never thought of denying. The result was reached, too, without promise, direct or indirect, to Ex-Governor Penoyer. And just in the same sense; and such information would have been equally appropriate in an edited dispatch. But enough on this line. The Oregonian's attack of yesterday has afforded a good laugh for The Dalles folks, and not at the CHRONICLE man's expense either. It is time the Oregonian should be informed that it is barking up the wrong tree. Now it must be understood that THE CHRONICLE is no more the "organ" of Mr. Moody than it is of Mr. McBride, and neither of these gentlemen is to be held responsible for anything it may say; but if the Oregonian really thinks that the "resentment" of the editor of THE CHRONICLE "at the effect of Mr. Moody's victory on the McBride campaign is not in the interest of Mr. Moody but in the interests of McBride," we respectfully refer the Oregonian to Mr. Moody for better information. And if Mr. Moody, or any of Mr. Moody's friends will say the Oregonian knows what it is talking about in this respect, even the least little bit, THE CHRONICLE, here and now, promises to enlist, horse, foot and dragoons, with the Oregonian in its campaign against McKinley and the Republican policy of a protective tariff.

PASSED THE SENATE.

The house tariff bill for Puerto Rico, after being amended in the senate by the addition of the bill providing a form of civil government, and by important modifica-

tions of its tariff provisions, passed the senate Monday by a vote of 40 to 31. The vote in favor of the bill was Republican, while the 31 negative votes were cast by Democrats, Populists, Silverites, and by six Republicans, two of whom are well-known expansionists. Mr. Hoar, another anti-expansionist, was paired against the bill, and Mr. Beveridge, of Indiana, was paired in favor of it. Senator Simon voted against it and Senator McBride for it.

The amended bill takes off 85 per cent of the tariff duties now in force between the United States and Puerto Rico, and provides that the remaining 15 per cent shall be taken off whenever the Puerto Rican legislature shall have enacted laws providing a different revenue system for the support of the insular government. The bill further provides that, in any event, there shall be absolute free trade between Puerto Rico and United States from and after March 1, 1902, and the continued free entry into Puerto Rico of the United States products now admitted free under the military administration. With these amendments the bill is in substance a free trade measure, since it places it in the power of the Puerto Ricans, through their legislature, to have free trade whenever they want it, by the substitution of such revenue measures as they deem proper. The Republican majority which passed the bill declares that 15 per cent being less than one-sixth of the Dingley rate upon a part of the products entering into the commerce of the United States and Puerto Rico, is simply a temporary revenue measure, and that this method of raising revenue will fall more lightly upon distressed Puerto Ricans than the direct taxation proposed by the opposition to the bill.

It is hard to believe that the announcement made through the New York World that Admiral Dewey is "only too willing" to enter the field as a candidate for the presidential nomination is really true. And it is still more difficult to believe that the admiral could have uttered the twaddle that the World puts in his mouth. Be that as it may, the announcement comes too late. There was a time—but it is past forever. Dewey is a great soldier and the nation will ever honor him as such, but he will never be president.

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