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"RING."

Sometimes a word or two, perhaps thoughtlessly spoken, furnishes a theme for thought and a text for an editorial or sermon—and so a remark I heard yesterday gives me an excuse for writing a few plain words as to the past course and present position of the EAST OREGONIAN.

The remark was made by an intelligent laboring man who, I learned incidentally, was a Republican in politics, and it was made in connection with the further statement that he was going to vote a portion of the Democratic ticket. It was about this: "There is a ring here in town, and the EAST OREGONIAN is a part of it; a ring that don't want to see strangers come in here and won't give them a chance to obtain property or work, and the ring is really against the present County Judge."

This was about the substance of the accusation. It was news to me. I knew that in almost every county, and especially in almost every town of considerable size there are always talk and rumors about a "ring," based sometimes upon truth, no doubt, and sometimes upon imagination, error or prejudice; but this was the first intimation I had received from any source deserving of the least consideration that there was any such "ring" in Pendleton, and least of all that the E. O. was any part of a "ring," political or otherwise.

Of course this man was mistaken; he had been misinformed and misled; and was expressing an honest belief, no doubt, in a state of facts which have no existence whatever—at least so far as the E. O. is concerned. If he had read this paper for the past two or three years he would have known that it has repeatedly urged that strangers be encouraged to come here and make this their home; that property suitable for homes for them and for all men of moderate means be kept down to a reasonable valuation; and that only moderate rents be asked. Within the last month or two this paper—and this is the only one that has said anything in the same line—is depressed so high a valuation of residence lots put upon the market, thereby incuring the displeasure of some of the owners—and this it did solely in the interest and for the sake of workingmen and people of small means, whom it wished to encourage to come here and be enabled to find a home here.

More than that, no worthy, industrious stranger ever came to this town and sought advice or assistance from the EAST OREGONIAN or any of its proprietors but he received one or the other, or both, cheerfully. We, and all of us, have a hundred times found jobs for men, found residences for them, even fed them if they were out of money, till they could do for themselves—without a thought of direct personal remuneration.

But what and who is the "ring" which this deluded man has conjured up in his imagination? If there is any such, this is the first I have heard of it, and surely, so far as the EAST OREGONIAN is concerned, it is purely imaginary. The only intimation as to its object or purpose politically was that it was bent on the defeat of Judge Lucy. Let me say that the EAST OREGONIAN never fights nor supports a man severely. We do not approve of everything Judge Lucy has done, and have said so, but a few errors—in our judgment—do not overbalance a generally good and economical administration. The EAST OREGONIAN is not fighting Judge Lucy, but supporting him. I—and my associates—like Mr. Martin, but believe he is not the man for judge of this county.

This paper knows of no "ring," and surely has no connection with any. It is as it has been for many years the foe of all improper and unworthy combinations, political or otherwise. It has never given aid or encouragement, directly or

indirectly, in any manner or any degree to any "ring" methods.

Still more, it has been the constant and faithful friend and champion of worthy laboring men, of persons of small means, of all home-seekers, work-hunters, and home-builders. No such man ever asked a favor at this office that it was not granted, if reasonable and within our power; and no combinations of politicians or capitalists have ever been able to dictate our course or our position in a single particular.

So before our friend—or enemy—or any man—makes such an assertion again, I hope he will investigate the record a little; examine the course of this paper and ascertain what it has been and where it stands, and what the opinions and sympathies of its proprietors are, before crying out "ring."

J. P. W.

CAP. MARTIN.

How he was Nominated for Sheriff—Working for Greed and Gain.

To the Editor of the East Oregonian.

PENDLETON, OR., May 17, 1888.

Thinking that a word from a Republican, and a taxpayer at that, would not only find space in your paper, but might be of interest to many of your readers, I take the liberty of sending my views upon this "court house" and county judge contest, upon the merits and demerits and qualifications of the men who are before the people of this county asking for their suffrages, upon the honesty and good intentions of the two, and which I think deserves the support and vote of every man and taxpayer in Umatilla county. I do not write this for any pecuniary consideration; but because an unwarrantable and unjustifiable attack has been made upon Judge Lucy by one of the most detestable campaign sheets that ever dropped from a press, and by one of the largest and most compact rings ever organized in Pendleton. When the record of Cap. Martin is read and understood by the Republicans throughout the country, and when they understand and truly know what a clique and clan it is that is using every effort and plan that money and tongue can do to forward and elevate him to the position he seeks, I think upon my honor as a man there is no corporal's guard outside of Main street, Pendleton, that can and will conscientiously cast their vote for him.

If Cap. Martin will only place the glorious cap of memory before him, and stretch his thoughts back to a little incident that happened some eight years ago, he cannot blame the tried and true supporters of himself at this late day to say "Fare-thee-well, I've followed you long enough; your greed for office and desire to suck pap perpetually from the public teat must be checked, or else in your dotage a life lease will be what you will demand." Cap. Martin is must be understood, was the first choice of Alta precinct for sheriff in 1880, the delegation from there casting their vote for him in the Republican convention that met that spring; but Martin was defeated by an overwhelming majority in that convention, and honest Lot Livermore was the people's choice, by a vote of thirty to eight, if my memory serves me right. Cap. Martin feeling sore over his defeat, and swearing vengeance and annihilation to the party, came down and made a flat demand upon Livermore to withdraw in his favor. This lot refused to do for awhile, and Cap. proceeded at once to the work of destruction and defeat of the entire ticket. Such pressure was brought to bear, and such fears were entertained by Livermore, that for the love of and duty to party he withdrew his name in favor of Martin, who was elected sheriff, a position he held for six years. Such was the truthful and first introduction Capt. Martin got and gave in entering the ranks of the Republican party. At this day such actions would be deplored, and the one who worked and did such a thing would be buried in oblivion by the members of any party.

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