

A CRANK.

In all avocations in life is to be found the crank. In religion he stalks abroad disturbing the equanimity of the devoted, candid followers of the meek and lowly one, and, in fact in all the business, social and political relations of life this eccentric specimen of the genus homo makes himself ridiculous by his idiosyncrasies and hobbies in and by which he seems to live and move and have his peculiar being. No man presents to the public eye a more perfect fac simile of the above picture than the editor of the Oregon Blade. He is a crank of the first water on the subject of "high tariff." He now wants every democrat holding a federal office to be discharged at once if he is a tariff reformer or "free trader," as this crank calls every democrat who does not bow the suppliant knee to the god of "protection." To him it matters not how competent and efficient such democrat may be, if he is in favor of reducing tax rates, then this rickety gon-falonier of the "protection" devotees of Baker county would bring down the guillotine and take off his head instantly. The very thought that a man who believes that the best interests of this country demands that salt, lumber, coal, jute sacks, binding twine or other articles should be placed on the free list, or that tariff rates should be lowered on them, should be found handling mail for the public, or serving papers as a United States Marshal, or conducting the routine, ministerial duties of a United States land office, however well he may be otherwise fitted for his station, is sufficient to fill the little soul of this harvest-lord with the gravest apprehensions for the safety of the republic. And he recommends that heroic treatment should be at once and without delay resorted to in order to save the country—that of ingloriously bouncing every such democrat from office without reference to his fitness to do the work of his station. Flannigan-like Hursh wants to know what we are here for. His highest conception of the good attending party success is the gathering in of the spoils, and if there are not offices enough to go round among the faithful he would have them created for the special benefit of the "boys." Well every machine must have a "crank," and Hursh makes a good one.

"PIONEER."

KING'S VALLEY, OR., May 14th, 1889. Editors Democrat: In the Oregonian of April 12th was an article on internal improvement by the state, written by one who signs himself "Pioneer," who says a number of hard things against the DEMOCRAT, the democratic party and Governor Pennoyer. He mentions the governor as a man of mean birth, who owns a little saw mill and who employs dagoes and saw log men to do his work. It is very well for this up-start republican leader now to speak meanly and disparagingly of laboring men, but the memories of laboring people go back a few months to the time when republican leaders including "Pioneer" were loudly making the most extravagant professions of paternal interest in the welfare of laboring people. But now that the election is over these blatant leaders have no more use for us until another election rolls around. Governor Pennoyer may be of mean birth and Pioneer of "noble birth," but this has nothing to do with the fact that the Governor is the best friend labor people have ever had in authority in Oregon. "Pioneer's" sympathy is fully shown for the Chinaman, but not an honest word in behalf of white laborers. I now take pleasure in introducing to the general public this "Pioneer," this man who does not like the governor because he is of "mean" birth, this "noble" birth man who attempts to abuse the DEMOCRAT because it boldly and fearlessly stands for the people and their rights against the hungry horde of tax-eaters that hung around Salem like carrion crows last winter, this man who so flippantly denounces all men as "kickers," who have the courage to stand between the people and the swarms of voracious cormorants and hungry mendicants that would eat up the substance of honest people, this man whose only complaint, in fact, is that he was "kicked" out of the office of railroad commissioner by the governor because his services were of no earthly value to the people—George Waggoner. Mr. Editor, this is written by one who worked for George Waggoner last winter, and knows whereof he speaks when he says that he wrote the article signed "Pioneer" and published in the Oregonian of April 12th. He read the article to his family at his home in my presence. I know from personal experience that Waggoner is an enemy of labor people.

CHARLES LAWRENCE.

An anxious inquirer wants to know if the La Grande land office, under the administration of the parties who have been recommended for register and receiver, will be supplied with a saloon and bar table. Why, we presume not. Those gentlemen will probably give up these occupations, or re-establish their business in some other building than that used as the land office.—E. O.

The East Oregonian thinks the outlook for good prices for wheat after harvest is better now than at this time last year. It says the Anatolia and India crop was harvested in January and February and proved almost a failure so that source of competition will not have to be met.

And now the advocates of protection gravely tell us that our present system of tariff does not seem to reduce the importation of textile fabrics. Is it possible that we have been living in darkness on this subject for a hundred years? Here we have had a protective tariff during the entire life of the government, and have been prospering as no nation ever did before and crediting all this prosperity to the beneficent effect of our protective tariff, and now at this late day we are informed and by protectionists at that, that our tariff does not reduce importation and the figures to prove the proposition are given thus: The imports in 1853 amounted to \$739,292,937, while in 1885 they amounted to \$607,721,128. Well then if the protection theory is exploded why not consent now to reduce the tariff? Or do the friends of protection want to increase the tariff with the hope of making it protective. So it seems that protection does not protect after all. Judging by the present price of wool one can come to no other conclusion.

The Mountaineer declares the practice lately coming into vogue of sowing throughout the valley "booming" themselves by advertising in papers published in other than the "booming" town. It claims that the principle of "protection" should be made to apply in this matter and that the people of a town should advertise in their own local paper and not in the Oregonian and other papers as some towns have been doing. Now we suppose that this would be all right so far as the Mountaineer is concerned if the people of the Dalles were going to advertise their town, but we feel quite sure that that other pur-blind "protection" paper the Oregonian will vigorously protest against this very reasonable application of the principles of "protection" as taught by these worshippers at the shrine of the god of protection. A false doctrine always comes back to persecute and annoy him who propagates it.

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