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STANDS AT THE TOP.

The Journal goes to the People. On Saturday the circulation of The Journal was 10,025 copies.

STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH. ss. I, Macdonald Potts, cashier of The Journal Printing Company, a corporation, being duly sworn on oath depose and say that to my own personal knowledge the circulation of The Portland Evening Journal of Saturday, May 24, 1902, was Ten Thousand and Twenty-five (10,025) copies.

LEST WE FORGET.

The Oregonian says of a list of his old associates printed yesterday that they "never have given the smallest consideration to Republicans not of their faction—habitually they have treated all such with a contempt lofty and disdainful, when it was not still more insulting. And that from Harvey Scott!"

Now the truth is that the only man who is guilty of that charge is Mr. Scott himself. What contempt could be more disdainful, or insulting than the following from the Oregonian of June 1, 1896:

"Desperate gangs under the direction of the Mitchell politicians, the same that appeared at the Republican primaries, will attempt at different places to throw out the legal judges and capture the polls. The THUGS and HIRELINGS are ready for this assault upon the polls. The gang that intends this assault upon the integrity of election, is the enemy of our common citizenship. It must be met at every point at all hazards."

Or this from the Oregonian of February 19, 1896:

"Only remove out of the way the man that has corrupted and debauched the public life of Oregon for THIRTY YEARS, who has kept the political life of the State in turmoil all this time, who has been the FOUNTAIN AND SOURCE from which LOW IDEAS and MISCHIEVOUS PURPOSES and practices have sprung, tainting not only the political life of the State, but tending to make private conduct MERCENARY, FALSE, VICIOUS, CORRUPT. Remove him out of the way, there will be opportunity for organization of the legislature and disinterested action in the affairs of Oregon. What is it that takes such men as Minto, Ward, Denny, Carey, and many more to Salem and keeps them there? Everybody knows."

Or from the Oregonian of April 3, 1896:

"It was quite a notable primary election. The fine work was done under direction of Hon. Sol Hirsch. The gross, dirty work was done under the direction of Hume and his accomplices. The money was furnished partly by Senator Mitchell through the Southern Pacific Railroad, and partly by the LOCAL GANG. It took a great deal of skill and a large amount of money to produce the result in the wards carried by the combine. The problem of the day was to carry the primary election through obstruction of the polls, through the imported and hired rabble and at the same time to shut out actual citizens. In several wards it succeeded."

There was plenty more like this. The truth is that the Oregonian is a common scold and ought to be ducked. But the nerve of it to charge others with its own barbarities.

BUTCHER AND THE PRESIDENT The Democratic candidate for Congress stands by the President and against the Trusts.

Col. Butcher in his address Saturday night was commendably frank. In speaking of the Republican plea to endorse the President, he says:

"You are asked to endorse the President's fight on the trusts. I am with you. I am against the trusts. But the Republican leaders are for the trusts. We have the Oregonian for that. It said the other day that Mr. Hanna and other Senators named were fighting the President. They meant to defeat him for nomination because he was fighting their trusts. Now if you elect me to Congress I will be on

the President's side. I will uphold his hands. The only friends he has in Congress in this fight are the Democrats. They vote on every proposition against the trusts, and the Republican leaders are asking your endorsement. Mr. Hanna wires you to vote for his policies. Now a vote for the Republican candidate will be a vote for Hanna and the trusts. A vote for me will be a vote against the trusts and to uphold the President. I don't ask you to become Democrats. Chastise your party. Bring it to its senses, and stand by your President in fighting the trusts by standing by those who will help him, and not with those who are trying to down him. THE ONLY ENEMIES THE PRESIDENT HAS IN HIS CONTEST WITH THE TRUSTS ARE IN THE REPUBLICAN PARTY."

WHO COMPOSE THE RING?

The distaffs of the Oregonian against Mr. Simon may be passed without notice, for they do not belong to the controversy. The question now is solely about the Matthews ring. And it may be interesting to inquire of whom that ring is now composed.

There used to be a Mitchell faction. Six years ago it inaugurated a fight against the Republican party, which has been kept up to this day. The leaders of the faction were able and uncompromising. Whatever may be thought of their justification, they brought to their contest, brains and skill and courage. Among the foremost of these leaders were Carey and Mays, and Lord and Fitzgerald.

The most notable foe they had to contend with was the Oregonian. They were overwhelmed with a vocabulary of billingsgate that is the Oregonian's peculiar weapon. There isn't a vituperative word in the dictionary that was not applied to them.

Another foe they met was Henry McGinn. He isn't bad at billingsgate himself. He is master also of some other political arts, whose exercise was one of the chief grievances of the Mitchell faction. The head and front of Mr. Simon's offending was Henry McGinn.

Henry's chief co-adjutor in his political warfare was Mr. Larry Sullivan. He was his fidus Achates. Larry was an able second to Mr. Scott and Mr. McGinn and to their abuse and political skill he added the persuasive influence of his shot-gun.

These men were the real burden of the Republican party. Their methods formed the chief objection to the Republican management. But for the tyranny of the Oregonian, the unscrupulous boldness of McGinn and the brutal aggressiveness of Sullivan, the Republican party would never have been divided. The real sin Mr. Simon has to answer for is the compliance with which he permitted them to over-ride decency and fairness in the political management of the party.

Now we recur to the question: "Who compose the ring?" The men who bore the real brunt of the fight for the Mitchell faction, are no longer its leaders. Carey wanted to be rewarded by the nomination for Governor, which his ability and skill in behalf of his faction had earned. But he was turned down by Mr. Scott. Lord, who blowed in six thousand dollars of his money for a newspaper to fight the Oregonian four years ago, wanted to be City Attorney. Henry McGinn turned him down. Of all the chiefs of the Mitchell faction, Dan Malarky is the only one on the ticket, and he is there by sufferance, and only by becoming subordinate. They have all taken a back seat.

The Matthews ring is now composed of Scott, McGinn, Sullivan and Jack Matthews. The old-time leaders are connected with the ring, but only as satellites. Matthews is the only original Mitchellite who exercises any real power. And he does so, because he has joined with Scott, McGinn and Larry to throw down his old associates. Matthews is easily the Chief of the Ring, because he is its Master Mind. The others have their limitations. Mr. Scott may be restrained by his logic, Henry by his generosity, Larry by a certain rude remnant of a conscience. But Jack has no limitations.

With this ring in view, Mr. Simon's personality is a past issue. There is but one issue, and that is whether the people shall run their county or whether the Matthews ring shall run it.

HERE IS A LIST.

Since it is in order to print lists how is this one? Jack Matthews (Cader Powell) Larry Sullivan (Doc Robertson) Henry McGinn (A. A. Courtney) Reid Back (Dan Marlarky) E. W. Spencer (Grant Bros.) A. D. Rockefeller (Pierce Mays) Charlie Burkhardt (C. N. Rankin) Charlie Carey (Cousin Caffee)

By why particularize the "whole federal brigade from Cornmeal Ike down," the other "buccaners, and "political pirates," often mentioned by the Oregonian.

Mr. Scott is an able writer, and since he has so vigorously assailed his old associates we give way to him for a moment to paint the picture of his new friends; Oregonian, April 2, 1896:

"It is alleged that Joseph Simon has named the delegates to the conventions and controlled nominations for many years. He has often had a hand in this business undoubtedly, but he could hardly have carried it alone. He has been only one of many able gentlemen who have pursued this business. We now find a lot of these clever operators; FAST MASTERS OF THE ART OF MAKING 'SLATES,' talking of the 'Simon tyranny' and professing to favor the election of

The gentlemen who were yesterday listed and castigated by the Oregonian for having associated with Mr. Harvey Scott in times gone by, in the politics of this County, have yet the consolation of know-



STILL SKULKING!

unpledged delegates, who will make a ticket through their own deliberate choice, free from 'ring dictation.'

"Friends, countrymen, brethren. Try not to laugh immoderately when a fact very well known to you all is called to your attention, namely, that these champions and pillars of party liberty, these makers of unpledged delegates, these deliverers of a suffering party from boss dictation and ring rule, are none other than Messrs. Hirsch, Lotan, Hume, Jordan, Minto, Hall, Boise, Keady, and Ward, men who of course never knew how to set up conventions, have been positively innocent all their lives of slate-making, and of course never did and never will stoop to the business. The fact is, of course, that their whole ticket is already made up, and if they control the convention, it will go through without a break, check, or murmur. These gentlemen are not bunglers, but artists; many of them with the experience and practice of twenty-five years to draw upon. Catch them with the convention in their hands and no slates! Well, hardly."

From the Oregonian editorial, June 8, 1898.

"Joseph Simon has been re-elected in spite of the most extraordinary effort to beat him. It is seldom that so powerful a combination is made against an individual."

The Oregonian has a good deal to say about papsuckers, which means, in Oregonian language, anybody who aspires to office against the Oregonian's ring. But there is Mr. T. Cader Powell, who in one capacity or another, has been drawing public money around the Courthouse for 23 years. His record is such that he could not hope of election himself, so he puts up on the ring ticket his brother-in-law, Carl Brandes, for Auditor, as a figurehead. But T. Cader is to be the real thing. And the Auditor's office would afford the very best opportunity for Mr. Powell's peculiar talents. Through the Auditor's hands must pass the whole finances of the county, and his skill and honesty are the safeguards of the people's money. Do you want Mr. Powell in that place? A vote for Carl Brandes is a vote for T. Cader Powell. He who runs may read.

IS IT T. CATER POWELL FOR AUDITOR?

Whatever machinery there has been in politics here, it has been the Oregonian's machinery. It has always been on the side of machine politics. It is on that side now. It is not afraid that the election of the Citizens' ticket will restore a machine. It is afraid that it will oust the Matthews' machine.

There is no Republican ticket in this County. The one of that name was nominated by a caucus of little more than half the members of the convention. The others had nothing to do with it. They were not allowed to have anything to do with it.

ELECT THE WHOLE BOARD.

George E. Chamberlain as Governor will be able more efficiently to administer the affairs of the State of Oregon if he has as his lieutenants D. W. Sears, of Polk County, for Secretary of State, and Henry Blackman, of Morrow County, for Treasurer. These men are mentally equipped to discharge the duties of the offices for which they have been nominated and each has a public record as the earnest of what he will do if elected. The Governor, Secretary of State and Treasurer constitute a State Board. If the people of this state desire that needed reforms be fully carried out, they should elect these two candidates upon the Democratic state ticket. They will be honoring distinguished citizens, who, in turn, will honor the people of the commonwealth.

Scott has returned. Whether empty-handed or with Hanna's "dough" is immaterial. All his gall and spleen he brought back. He doesn't like the situation. He must kill Joe Simon again. At the primaries he cut off Joe's head, now he must "hack the limbs, like wrath in death and envy afterwards." Contact with Eastern culture, banqueting with Ambassadors extra-ordinary—even fitting about the Senate Chamber at Washington—cannot change our own Harvey. "Anything that's moulded a penny, can never become a dollar."

Banker Furnish is reported as viewing with calm indifference the strike situation. He knows that whatever else may stop his loans will continue to draw interest and like the brook "go on forever."

The Oregonian: "Citizens sometimes make common cause with a minority party to oust an entrenched machine and end abuse of power. (Applause.) There is no such situation here." (Laughter).

Banker Furnish now comes forward as the laborers' best friend. He wants six hours called a day. This he says will give him four days interest for each 24 hours. "Disinterested generosity."

There is now no longer any doubt of Mr. Chamberlain's election. His progress is an on-rolling wave that bears all before it.

Mr. Henry McGinn is the Oregonian's pet. A vote for him is a vote for the Oregonian.

FACTS IN THE CASE

Not only Congress and the East, but God also is now interested in the Matthews-Scott ticket. One of the genial members of the Oregonian staff, for we are quite sure it is not Harvey himself, has evidently entered into communication with the celestial regions and records to following as the result of his investigations: "When we consider that for forty years the only hope for Democratic success has been based upon a Solid South made solid by force and fraud, it is not surprising that the party has been wrong and has originated no policy for the country's advancement. GOD NEVER USES SUCH AGENTS TO ACCOMPLISH HIS ENDS."

And a few days later he reports again that "God does not like cowards, that those who object to the use of the water cure and other barbarities as a means for educating the Filipinos, are cowards, therefore God does not like them." His sole regard is for the Matthews-Scott contingent.

He says—(the Oregonian way): Inscrutable are Heavens ways! To ordinary eyes. Yet I have probed them; hear me, ye Who would be wise. God's agent is Jack Matthews. Distinguished lot. And Matthews' sainted deputy is Harvey Scott. Mr. Larry Sullivan, head of the Sailor Boarding House and Crimping Company, is still speaking for Geo. H. Williams to the North End and he says, with authority. Is Judge Williams endorsing his promises and will he honor them should he be elected? This question has been put to Mr. Williams before and is still unanswered,—but the promising goes on night and day and all in Mr. Williams' name.

And still Mr. Henry McGinn, ex-District Attorney, ex-State Senator and ex-Circuit Judge,—one of the leading orators of Oregon, and certainly with a record, refuses to come before the people publicly on the platform though he is personally soliciting their votes in a private way for another term as State Senator.

It looks funny—don't it? He loves the workman, can't he tell them what he did in their interest when he was up at Salem before? Is he afraid awkward questions as to his vaunted loyalty might be asked him? Is it because his brother Jack has muzzled him? It certainly is NOT because he has nothing to say, or because the people don't want to hear him. It looks funny—don't it?

WITH THE JOKERS.

The chorus girl, I'm thinking, Is neither shy nor shrinking. The fewer clothes she wears, The more she puts on airs.

QUIET FORCE. "De elephant, observed Uncle Eph'm, "kin put his foot down harder dan any animalle dat walks, an' yet don't make no noise doin' hit."—Chicago Tribune.

COMFORT FOR HIM. Edith—Yale is my favorite. They turn out the best men at New Haven. Jack—"That's what I said when they fired me at the end of the junior year."—New York Times.

"The barkeepers had a dance the other night." "Well?" "First number on the program was 'Comin' Thro' the Rye.'"—Detroit Free Press.

PROVOKE WITHIN OTHERS. "I suppose those newly rich friends of yours will entertain in society next season." "No," answered Miss Cayenne, "they won't entertain. They will amuse."—Washington Star.

JUST MORGAN'S. "Didn't the body of water used to be called the Atlantic ocean?" asked the tourist. "Oh, yes," responded the old skipper, "but now it is merely a private pond owned by J. P. Morgan."—Chicago News.

HE HAD BEEN THERE. Mrs. Homer—I have said everything I could to prevent our son George from marrying that Smith girl, but he seems determined to have his own way. Homer—Yes, poor boy; he will have his way this time, but it will doubtless be the last.—Denver Post.

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