

The Monk Interviews Harvey W. Scott.

The Monk of the Portland Journal writes from New York of an interview with Harvey W. Scott, editor of the Oregonian. One can readily smell the odor of fiction in the interview, and here it is:

New York, Oct. 9.—I interviewed the Hon. H. W. Scott, when he arrived here enroute to Europe, regarding politics in Oregon. I found him talkative, except on the subject of his own candidacy, and the attitude of those Mitchell Republicans who object to the present junior Senator supporting the great editor.

"Mr. Scott," said I, "how stands Mr. Fulton?"

"About as much show as a snowball in Tartarus."

"How about Mr. Goss?"

"Won't know he's running."

"Does Mr. Hirsch stand to win?"

"He'll get lost in the Senatorial shuffle."

"Will Jonathan be in it?"

"Jonathan himself doesn't even expect to receive half a dozen votes."

And so on to the end of the list of candidates, until finally I came to Mr. Scott himself.

"How about you, Mr. Scott?"

"I? Who said I was a candidate? Haven't I said I wasn't? Haven't I told the people I wouldn't be in the running? Why in thunder do you bother me with such questions?"

"But, Mr. Scott, people out in Oregon believe that you have gone away and left your candidacy in the hands of Ted Piper, Judge McGinn, and Jack Matthews, and that they propose to coerce Senator Mitchell and the other Mitchell Republicans into supporting you? Are those people back there all fools to think such things?"

"Those recalcitrant Mitchell Republicans and federal office-holders who don't want to support me are a lot of blamed blots. They are inviting my eternal enmity, and will suffer in the future when they have to receive the dose of literary vitriol I will pour over their devoted heads."

"So, you are a candidate, then, are you?"

But the great editor puffed up with indignation and refused to speak further. It is understood here that Mr. Scott took a run over to Washington to select his seat in the United States Senate chamber, taking one in the center of the room, because he doesn't know exactly whether or not he will be in the Republican column until that party declares where it stands upon the tariff question.

THE MONK

WANT ROUTE TO AGER.

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