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IMPUDENT WORKINGMEN.

The great danger to the interests of American workingmen is impudent leadership and overconfidence. It is a very easy thing to wreck a worthy cause by hasty and ill-considered action.

The great example set by General Kelly in refusing to avail himself of a captured train for carrying his army eastward from Council Bluffs gave him an impregnable position before the country and enlisted universal popular sympathy in his behalf.

The aggressive policy which Grand Master Sovereign proposes to inaugurate, as outlined by the dispatches from Des Moines, will, if carried out, place General Kelly and the cause he has espoused in a very questionable attitude.

The seizure of railroad rolling stock by force cannot be justified under any pretext. It is revolutionary and must lead to bloody collision sooner or later.

The only legitimate course for General Kelly and his army is to march their way eastward as they have done from Council Bluffs to Des Moines.

On the whole May day turned out to be a rather tame affair all the world over. Are the democratic lawyers of Omaha to be excluded from the benefits of the district attorney's office in this state?

Do not forget that every dollar expended for labor or material by patronizing home industry is equal to \$10 put in circulation.

Judge Scott's attention is respectfully called to the presence of a large number of dentists within his jurisdiction who are said to have a powerful "pull" with members of both bench and bar.

It is remarkable with what ease the railroads secure a report on the bill amending the interstate commerce act so as to permit pooling, while bills for the protection of the people and employes languish in the committee pigeon holes.

The 19th day of May will be the twenty-fifth anniversary of the completion of the first Pacific railroad. As yet no steps have been taken in Omaha to commemorate the event and celebrate the day on which the golden spike was driven.

Of course there is no elow to the lynchers at Missouri Valley. It would be an extraordinarily intelligent coroner's jury that would discover who comprised the mob perpetrating the lynching.

It Buffalo Bill's wild west shows continue to draw upon the inhabitants of the Indian reservations for performers in his great aggregation at the same increasing ratio as during the past few years the American Indians will constitute the most widely traveled class in the whole United States.

No discrimination should be made by the county commissioners in compelling the county officials to straighten up their accounts. The county has been quite liberal in the remuneration of its employees and can not be expected to defray unauthorized expenses for work which the regular office force is paid to perform.

The members of the State Medical association are discussing proposed changes in the medical code which aim to abolish the discrimination against those practitioners who do not belong to one of the recognized schools.

Des Moines people have probably become well enough acquainted by this time with the character of Kelly's army to revise their opinions so hastily expressed while the army was lingering on the banks of the Missouri. They may now reserve their denunciations of the "cowardly conduct" of Omaha in pursuing a humane course toward a body of men whose chief offense is their poverty.

Judge Ambrose deserves to be commended for exhibiting a great deal of forbearance in the recent proceedings in the street car case, when there was procreation for instituting contempt proceedings. The judge did more to preserve the dignity of the court by ignoring the personal reflections from the lawyers than could have been done by seeking redress at his own hands and punishing the lawyers for contempt.

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THE QUESTION OF FREE SHIPS.

The bill that has been introduced in the house of representatives providing for admitting to American registry foreign-built ships owned in this country is likely to come up for consideration at any time and involves a question of very great importance.

In the long period during which the republican policy was secure against assault there was never an intimation of such a movement as is now taking place of idle men marching to the seat of government to ask relief from the representatives of the people.

The Union Pacific debt reconstructionists are playing a very clever game before congress. The representatives of foreign syndicates of bondholders and their allies, the New York and Boston stock jobbers, profess to be very much put out over the Olney octopus bill.

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Judge Scott Turned Over and Basted by the Press of the Country. ONE MORE TWIST GIVEN TO THE SPIT. Clothed with a Little Brief Authority He Atrocitates to Himself Attributes of Infatigability and Gives Full Sway to Vindictiveness.

Howells Journal: When The Omaha Bee gets through with Judge Scott, that scoundrel who frankly individual will be requiring where he is at.

York Times: Everybody in Nebraska is scared to death for fear Judge Scott will undertake to fine them for opposition to the contempt they feel for him.

Salem (Ore.) Statesman: The boasted freedom of the press doesn't count for much in Omaha, where Editor Rosewater of The Bee has been jailed for printing in his paper a truth which reflected upon an autocratic judge.

Hebron Journal: Judge Scott of Omaha will not be sustained by public sentiment in his contempt proceedings against the editor of The Omaha Bee for publishing criticisms against his rulings. Such contempt proceedings are boomerangs.

Humphrey Democrat: When a Judge steps so far beneath the dignity of his office to persecute a citizen for exercising his rights, he should be weighed down in a tan yard with a lead of Limburger cheese until the stench will become so great that it would penetrate his filthy conscience.

Sac City Sun: For criticizing in his paper the partiality of an Omaha Judge, Editor Rosewater of The Omaha Bee was arrested by order of that judge for contempt of court, sentenced to thirty days in jail and a heavy fine, and sent to jail without an opportunity to appeal and give bonds.

York Times: Perhaps Judge Scott is anxious to become noted as the most infamous Judge that ever sat on the bench in America. Again, perhaps he is crazy. It is a serious and awful thing to contemplate a madman occupying the position of Judge of the district court.

Columbus (O.) Journal: The action of Judge Scott in sentencing Editor Rosewater of The Omaha Bee to imprisonment for alleged contempt of court was a rather high-handed proceeding. But Scott is probably one of the fellows who, clothed with a little brief authority, is inclined to make angelsweep. Instead of showing his contempt for the courts, Editor Rosewater was probably trying to conceal it.

Sacramento (Cal.) Bee: The attention of the readers of the Bee is particularly called to a dispatch from Omaha, to be found on the 17th page of the paper today, in which it is stated that Judge Scott, while in Russia, or in England during the days of Jefferys of infamous memory. It is not the "Herald of the Press" which needs to be checked, so much as it is the damnable autocracy of the courts.

Mobile (Ala.) Register: There are still some sturdy sons of liberty left in the land. One of them is Edward Rosewater, editor of The Omaha Bee. He was sent to jail for contempt of court a few days ago. He got a stupider notion of his rights in the case is interesting. It is the general belief of lawyers that the finding of the court will be overturned by the supreme court when the case comes up for review.

Leavenworth Times: A Judge at Omaha sentenced Editor Rosewater of The Bee to jail for thirty days and fined him \$500 for contempt of court in criticizing the action of the court in punishing a poor man and releasing a rich man, both of whom had been engaged in the same crime. In this action the judge does not hurt Rosewater, but does more than a thousand newspaper criticisms could do to bring the court into contempt.

Peoria (Ill.) Herald: Judge C. R. Scott, who is holding forth at Omaha, has taken the first step toward kicking himself off the bench. In his court a poor man was severely punished while the son of a rich man was given his liberty, though guilty of the same offense. Because the partially in these cases was commented on in The Omaha Bee, the editor, Mr. Rosewater, has been imprisoned and heavily fined by Judge Scott. It is safe to predict that Scott will be out of a job when Rosewater gets through with him.

Central City (Neb.) Democrat: It looks to us as if Judge Scott of Omaha, in his contempt proceedings against Editor Rosewater, is either the most arbitrary and vindictive judge on earth or else he is as crazy as a March hare. The article in The Bee in which the prosecution was founded was not written by Mr. Rosewater, nor was he aware of it. The editor is a guilty of contempt for the judge every day that he lives—in fact we don't see how he can help it—but in the case complained of he certainly is not guilty. The freedom of the press is involved in this case, and every newspaper in the state ought to come to Rosewater's defense. It makes no difference whether we like the man or

Yonkers Gazette: The Irishman's view of it is a great shame. The man who couldn't have a little immortality before he dies.

New York Weekly: Fair Missionary—Wung, why don't you come on our Sunday school? Laundryman (apologetically)—I got a wife in China.

Texas Siftings: Mr. Blunt—My dear count, please before you criticize that gilded denigrate way Mr. Blunt—Although you are very busy, you are admitted into our best families without question.

Washington Star: "It certainly has done Sinas good to line the church," said Mrs. Cornwell. "I'm glad to hear it," said the visitor, "but how long it will last."

Philadelphia Times: Policemen think they have a hard time, but they ought to know what burglars go through.

New Orleans Picayune: The man who loves tobacco only to smoke, will take snuff when it comes to a pinch.

Indianapolis Journal: "Anyway," I don't send people into eternity," remarked the telephone to the trolley, "you merely ruin their immortal souls."

Chicago Tribune: Many a man who howls loudly about the "wrongs of society" and the "inequalities of our social system" always lets his wife carry the baby.

ABOUT THIS TIME. The advertiser publishes the fence, the butterfly is in the cage. The shrike is heard in thickets swamps, the crow the crows just sprouting wings. Large strings of fish the angler slays, the congressman is losing votes. And verba poena piping lays.

TO HIS PRINCIPLES. Indianapolis Journal. He is an old shuck and crank. And to his faith so true. That he won't wear his diamond until the season through.

Nor will he feast his inner man Upon his loved mince pies. For fear that in the pastry's depths There may be hidden flies.

Last Sunday, at his boarding house, He raised a wail and howl. Because the only meat there was Was stuffed and roasted fowl.

Last week, also, he forewore drink And swore to abstain from all. For fear some friend may ask him in To "come and have a ball."

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Burwell (Neb.) Enterprise: Some time ago The Omaha Bee scolded occasion criticism Colonel Scott, who was afterwards elected district judge of the Omaha district, and the other day the honorable judge, to get even, had Rosewater "pulled" for contempt of court, the alleged "contempt" arising from a publication in The Bee wherein comparisons were indulged in. The judge acting as prosecuting witness, and the court promptly found the prisoner "guilty," and, without allowing him to say a word in his own defense, sentenced him to thirty days in jail and a fine of \$500. Judge Scott will hereafter find a whole lot of citizens who have as much "contempt" for him as has Editor Rosewater.

Evansville (Ind.) Tribune: Mr. Rosewater, editor of The Omaha Bee, has been sentenced to jail for contempt of court. The offense was that a reporter for The Bee, without Mr. Rosewater's knowledge or sanction, wrote a local article, in which he pointed out the inequality in the administration of justice in this city, being an overview of the fact the case of two men who had been caught robbing a railway station. One of them, being a poor man, was sent to prison, while the other, the son of a wealthy parent, was given his liberty without the case coming to trial. The judge who had dismissed the case was so disturbed about the article that he sent to jail the reporter who wrote it and the publisher of the newspaper that printed it. There is a justifiable and unimpeachable way of criticizing a public official, and even a judge, and it is to publish the truth about a personage that a newspaper is debarrated from expressing an honest opinion as to his wisdom or honesty of his acts. If there is no greater freedom on the part of the press in criticizing a judge than there formerly was it is a great wrong. The conduct of the judges themselves. Whatever apparent sanctity used to be felt for the judges of our courts, much of it has been sacrificed by the judges who, the anciently scrupulous to many of them go into to secure offices, when a candidate for judgeship resorts to the same tactics to secure his nomination and election as a candidate for office. The judge who secures his position in the former manner is not so sacred if the public regards the two as about on a par personally. If a judge once elected judges his position to secure continuance in office, or to "make himself solid," he must expect the contempt which the public may feel and the newspapers express. Contempt of court and contempt for a man who happens to be a judge are not the same thing. The same thing, and oftentimes a judge may do a thing that will bring the whole judiciary system of the state into greater obloquy than will all that any newspaper could say of him individually. When a judge holds that any fair criticism of his acts is a contempt, and that he has mounted a higher horse than he can ride.

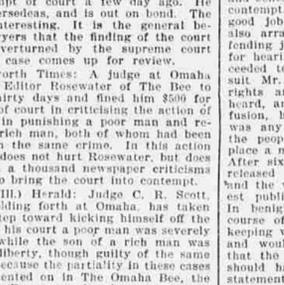
Day City (Mich.) Tribune: A few days ago a local article appeared in The Omaha Bee pointing out the partiality that had been shown in the case of a man who had been arrested before him, charged with breaking into and robbing a railroad station, and one—a man of the name of Rosewater—who while the other—the son of wealthy parents—was allowed to go free without even the formality of a trial. There was no question as to the justice of the case, but the judge, or the feeling prevailed that they should appear in public prints, had the reporter who wrote the article brought before him and sentenced to thirty days in jail for contempt. Thinking, doubtless, to make a good job of it, Judge Scott concluded to also arraign Editor Rosewater, and the case for hearing on Tuesday last the court proceeded to pass sentence, but this did not suit Mr. Rosewater, who was so angry that he demanded that he should be heard, and although there was much confusion, he managed to say that if there was any contempt on his part it was of the people of Douglas county for helping place a man of Scott's stamp on the bench. After six hours in jail Mr. Rosewater was released on a supreme court supersedeas, and the whole affair has aroused the greatest public indignation against the judge. In his position as an American newspaper editor, and as a citizen, he has been fully in keeping with the spirit of his surroundings and would have excited no surprise, but that the editor of an American newspaper should have been summarily jailed for a statement the truth of which stood unchallenged is almost beyond belief. The case is made up of men who are only human, and in many instances these foundations of justice have become clogged and corrupted and would have caused widespread evil but for exposure by a fearless and untrammeled press, keeping watch and ward over the interests of the people. The liberty of the press is the greatest public servant was among the principles that were fought for by our ancestors, and it is too late now for a man like Scott, a coward and perhaps worse, to successfully abolish or abridge it.

How Times Have Changed. Globe Democrat. The enthusiastic reception of Harrison by the republican convention at Indianapolis suggests that Cleveland would be very differently treated by a democratic convention at Albany.

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