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SATURDAY, MARCH 31.

Pass this along to some of our local political aspirants: "John P. Altgeld has assumed the role of political sage. A political sage is a person who has retired from politics by unanimous consent."—Buffalo Express.

Apropos of Rev. C. M. Sheldon's showing the world how Jesus would run a news paper, Rev. Dr. Lorimer of Tremont Temple, Boston, suggests that ministers first show the world how Jesus would run a church, which remark proves that Dr. Lorimer has a level head.

They have a habit down in Vermont of announcing a person as dead as soon as he is seriously ill. That plan would admirably fit some of our political candidates. They are as good as dead now; they and everybody else know it, and it would save them many long drawn out agonies, and the public no small amount of annoyance if they would drop out at once and confess themselves dead. "Hic jacet."

The tariff on Porto Rico products which the party leaders are bound to push through Congress is the most wanton, cruel and unrighteous piece of legislation attempted during a quarter of century. It is done solely to raise campaign funds for the next election. That is the long

and the short of it, and the party that does it deserves defeat. An avenging God winked at certain wrongdoings in former ages which he will not pass over now.

One reason why these fellows want to beat Mr. Brand for assessor is, they know that he won't employ them to assess personal property, and they seem to want another chance to "sock" it to innocent, honest folks who won't support them. If you want an honest assessment, vote for W. E. Brand.

Mr. Greenslade.

Some people in Ward Four object to Mr. Greenslade because he voted the wrong ticket last spring. Yes, he did vote it and so made a mistake because he wanted to elect a personal friend. After the election was all over he learned that those who really managed that campaign did not care and did not intend to elect his friend. They set him up and used him as a decoy to draw off votes from some one else, so their real man could be elected, just as they want you to put up another man to draw votes away from Mr. Greenslade and so let Mr. Obee in. It is the same old rotten, dishonest game.

Well, Fred was naturally mad and he vowed vengeance on that crowd any time he had a chance. All this he told us in our home very soon after last spring's election; months and months before he was thought of or spoken of for alderman in his ward this year. That is why they are doing everything in their power to defeat him. Now do you good, honest Fourth Warders want or intend to hoist W. J. Obee on the city for another two years? That is, do you intend to punish every good citizen in Highland Park by fastening Obee on us for two years, just for the sake of "getting even" with Fred Greenslade? That is what it means. All the Obee, Cobb, Knox etc., crowd want is for you not to vote for Mr. Greenslade and you will be told all sorts of falsehoods, to get you to vote for some one else or not vote at all. The whole question is now—shall it be Obee or Greenslade? and every good citizen out of your ward wants Greenslade. He can't by any means be as bad as Obee.

A Statement.

Unintentionally the writer did Charles B. Rice an injustice last week in classing him as a member of the political "gang," to use a current phrase of the street, and criticizing him for being affiliated with them. We reflected not our own opinions merely, but the consensus of the thought and convictions of many of the best men in the town. Neither they nor we could understand, save on the grounds indicated, why he should allow the use of his name on that town ticket unless he affiliated with the men who made it up and composed it. It now appears that the whole thing was done without his knowledge or consent, as he was out of town. We were told he was out of town the day his name was put on, but that he returned the next day, and still his name stood there. Our inference was natural, but we should have inquired at his home as to his being in town or not, though not a shadow of doubt occurred to us. People have suggested just the things we stated. When he refused to run for supervisor a year ago not a few said it was because he did not wish to break with the Obee crowd.

Now his immediate, absolute, and peremptory withdrawal from that ticket, as soon as he reached home, shows that our conclusions and criticisms were incorrect and uncalled for, though made in all honesty and sincerity. We make this statement just as cheerfully as we made the criticism, as it was a personal disappointment, as in the case of Mr. E. A. Small, that such a man, one with such a recognized position, standing and character should injure himself and forfeit so much for the sake of any thing to be gained by an alliance with men and methods whom the good people of Deerfield township and the city of Highland Park utterly repudiate.

We are therefore very sorry that we did him an unintentional injustice, and we are very glad that he repudiates all alliance with such men, for they sought to use his name as they did Mr. Small's, to give character to their ticket and every good citizen will rejoice with us. It is no part of our policy or purpose to misrepresent any man or cause.