

# "REFORM" STYLE OF CAMPAIGN

VICIOUS METHODS EMPLOYED BY "MINNESOTA'S TAMMANY" IN ITS DESPERATION OVER A LOST CAUSE.

## THE MRS. RUTHERFORD CASE

Chairman Rosing Sprang a "Sensation," and Now Wishes He Hadn't.

It is worthy of note that Republican speakers and Republican newspapers have refrained from any personal abuse of Gov. Lind. They have criticized the workings of his administration, his public acts and his public statements, as they have a right to do, and which are certainly open to criticism, but they have indulged in no mudslinging.

What a contrast this is to the Democratic method of campaigning! They opened the ball two months ago, by calling Capt. Van Sant "a Little Tin Soldier." This was in the New Ulm Review, a paper owned and controlled by Gov. Lind personally. The more decent Democrats protested against this sort of guerrilla warfare, whereupon the Review brazenly came back with the assertion that Capt. Van Sant was not only a "Tin Soldier," but a "brass" one, as well. It is hardly necessary to say, in this connection, that the captain served four years in the Civil war, with honor and distinction, and that the Department of Minnesota, G. A. R., has accorded him the highest honor in its power, electing him department commander.

Then came the infamous "drunken cartoon," issued by the "Reform Press Bureau," representing Mr. Van Sant as reeling along the street with a bottle marked "enthusiasm whisky" protruding from his pocket. Capt. Van Sant's personal habits are above reproach, as all who know him will testify.

The "broken ladder" cartoon was the next vulgarity perpetrated by the Reform Press Bureau, which is conducted under Private Secretary Rosing's personal management, and sends its manufactured "arguments" to all the Democratic papers in the state. It pictured the captain, still drunk with "enthusiasm whisky," falling off a ladder leading to the governor's chair. This effort of the Press Bureau was just about on a par with the preceding one.

Then came one of the most scandalous and vile creations perpetrated by the Reform "Art" Bureau—the "hoodler" cartoon. It showed Capt. Van Sant as placing away in his safe several bulky packages, presumably money, and intimated that he was "influenced" by this means while in the legislature; also, that he did not vote for some four or five bills. Mr. Van Sant served two terms in the legislature, in 1883 and 1885. His record the first term demonstrated his ability and worth, and led to his election as speaker of the house in 1885 by the unanimous vote of every member, including Democrats and Populists. In his latter capacity he proved to be one of the ablest presiding officers in the state's history; that session will long be remembered for its economy, its capacity for business, and the amount of beneficial legislation it provided. Mr. Van Sant's public record is open to the scrutiny of the state; nowhere can he be found other than the friend of labor and the champion of farming interests. The insinuations against him in this respect are fabrications of a diseased brain. During the 1893 session, much of the meritorious legislation was due to his untiring efforts. As an instance of this may be mentioned the bill for the vesting of street cars, to afford protection to the motormen in stormy weather. This was introduced in the senate by Senator Tawney, and was supported and voted for in the house by Mr. Van Sant, and the latter is entitled to every credit for its passage and for helping to make it a law—and yet the Fusion press is announcing that he "dodged" the bill!

The Reform Press Bureau, with its usual disregard for truth, also alleges that he "forgot to vote" on certain bills, which were passed in 1895, when he was speaker of the house, and had no vote except in case of a tie!

This brings us down to the latest effort of the Minnesota "Tammany Hall," to vilify a citizen whose reputation for integrity in every walk of life makes him proof against such mud-battery assaults. On the evening of Oct. 17, L. A. Rosing spoke in Duluth. At the conclusion of his speech, a woman named Mrs. Rutherford, of Minneapolis, arose and made a dramatic statement that Capt. Van Sant had deprived her of a large sum of money. She said:

"Sam Van Sant and my husband, who is now dead, were old friends for some years. They were both old soldiers, and after the war a strong friendship grew up between them. They were associated together in business, as well as social and fraternal ways. Years ago Van Sant and my husband joined an A. P. A. lodge in Iowa as charter members. Then they were partners in the steamboat business, and my husband died during the existence of this partnership. With the shares and dividends that rightly accrued to me through or from this partnership, I should have gotten \$12,000. Did I get it? Not a cent of it; and I want to tell you here to-night, that it is due to that man Van Sant that I failed to get it. As a consequence, I had to give up my beautiful home, and am now living in a barn instead."

This statement made by Mrs. Rutherford has been heralded far and wide, but the "promoters" of it are beginning to wish that they had let it alone. The wild charges were made by a woman of mind not too sound; she had previously made them, not only to the different state committees, but also to the daily newspapers in St. Paul and Minneapolis, both Republican and

Democratic, but investigation showed their falsity. Now, mark the cunning of Mr. Rosing: It would not do to allow her to make the statement public in St. Paul or Minneapolis, so she was taken to Duluth, where she gives it out, with every arrangement prepared to make it as dramatic as possible, and this, too, on the eve of election, in the hope that it would stampede votes to Lind.

Notice, also, the adroitness with which it is made to appear that Capt. Van Sant is an "A. P. A." But this, in fact, proves the falsity of the entire story, FOR AT THE TIME SHE ALLEGED HER HUSBAND AND CAPT. VAN SANT BELONGED TO THE A. P. A., THERE WAS NO SUCH ORGANIZATION IN EXISTENCE. We will add that Capt. Van Sant never belonged to it.

The story is utterly untrue, and, in fact, evidence keeps coming in, proving that the whole connection between the captain and Mrs. Rutherford's late husband only goes to show the kindness of heart of the Republican gubernatorial nominee.

The best statement of the case, up to date, comes from a Democrat, who declares that the charge made by Mrs. Rutherford is absurd. George A. Gallo-way, a resident of Winona, who is conversant with the facts in the case, writes as follows:

"I have before me an account of a statement made by Mrs. Rutherford to an audience in Duluth, attacking the business honesty and integrity of S. R. Van Sant, the Republican candidate for governor. I am a Democrat and hope for the success of Democratic principles. The principal one is justice and right to all men, and, as I am conversant with part of the lady's statement, it will show the absurdity of the balance. In the spring of 1889 I was a stockholder in the Le Claire Navigation company, of which S. R. Van Sant was president, and W. A. Blair of Davenport, Iowa, was secretary and treasurer.

"I sold my stock that year to L. L. Fisher, an attorney of Davenport, and S. R. Van Sant, and eight shares to George Rutherford, who did not have the money to pay for this stock, and Mr. Fisher and Capt. Van Sant gave his security for the payment, with the understanding that they should be reimbursed out of the profits of the boat and out of Mr. Rutherford's salary.

"I received my money from Fisher and Van Sant. I have been told by Capt. Blair that 1889, 1890 and 1892 were very successful years for the company, but owing to low water and some of the mills shutting down, for which the business was running logs, the business began to go backward, and in the fall of 1893 L. L. Fisher offered to sell me his stock for 50 cents on the dollar. Capt. Rutherford died in 1895 or 1896, and, as dividends were declared each year and paid, and as the salaries on steamboats are paid each trip, we can see the absurdity of the statement that, from a \$1,000 investment made in 1889, and that borrowed, that in 1896, \$12,000 was his due.

"I have known Capt. Van Sant in a business way for over twenty-seven years, and have seen him fight adversity in business ways, that not one man in a thousand would come out of successfully, and I do not believe that there is a man he ever had business dealings with—from men in 'as run logs for to the roustabouts on his boats—who can truthfully say he ever wronged them out of a dollar. Let them attack Capt. Van Sant's political views and principles all they can, and that is where we may win, but his business and personal character are above reproach."

It is believed that the Democrats are making preparations to spring another story, similar to the above, on the eve of election, when it will be too late to expose it. The voters will, it is needless to add, treat it with the contempt it deserves.

Such disreputable tactics are certainly nauseating to all respectable citizens of all political parties. They are out of place in this enlightened age and state. Men differ honestly on questions of national politics, but personal abuse and vilification should have no place in politics. The best way to stamp the seal of disapproval upon such tactics is to detect the purpose for which they are employed.

**A BARE-FACED LIE.**  
Being Circulated by Certain Democrats in This County Relative to the Prison Twine Plant and the Grain Inspection.

The Democrats are quietly circulating a story through the county that the Republican party is opposed to the continuance of the prison binder twine factory and the present grain inspection. SO IT IS, AS CONDUCTED AS A POLITICAL MACHINE, AS AT PRESENT.

The Republican party, however, has ever demonstrated that it is the friend of the farmer, and it certainly is in favor of the continuance of grain inspection and of the prison twine industry, and the suave, oily-tongued politician who tells you otherwise is a liar, pure and simple. Both of these institutions were given to the farmers BY REPUBLICANS. Both have grown in usefulness and benefit to farmers under REPUBLICAN management. Both were conducted on a strictly non-partisan plan, when the Republican party was in control of state affairs, and BOTH HAVE BEEN CONVERTED INTO POLITICAL MACHINES under Democratic control.

You can safely trust the Republican party to properly conduct these state institutions for the benefit of the farmer, as it did before.

This story, started by the Democrats to direct attention away from their mismanagement of the institutions, will deceive no one. The farmers know that their best interests are served by the Republican party.

On a par with other political maneuvering, was the nomination, by the Lind-Rosing machine of H. C. Koerner for state treasurer. This was done for the sole purpose of misleading Republican voters into thinking that he is Hon. A. T. Koerner, the present state treasurer, who is not a candidate for re-election. The two Koerners are in no way related, and they are as different as their political principles.

J. H. Block is the Republican nominee for state treasurer. He is thoroughly qualified for the office, and he doesn't sail under false colors in making the race.

**Demoralizing.**  
"I always run from a braggart."  
"Why?"  
"If I talk to one a few minutes I get to telling lies myself."—Chicago Record.

**Still More Counterfeiting.**  
The Secret Service has unearthed another band of counterfeiters and secured a quantity of bogus bills, which are cleverly executed. Things of great value are always selected for imitation, notably Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which has many imitators but no equals, for disorders like indigestion, dyspepsia and constipation.

**A Matter of Holding.**  
"As far as politics is concerned," said the man with the high brow, "I prefer to hold aloof."  
"Holding aloof is all right for men that like it," said the man with the red neck, "but I'd rather hold a job."—Indianapolis Press.

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**Gowlligan's Caprice.**  
Gowlligan walked into an undertaker's the other day and asked him for the loan of a hearse.  
"A hearse?" exclaimed the proprietor, "What do you want with a hearse? Is there anyone dead up your way?"  
"Not yet," replied Gowlligan, "and that do be the very rayson O'm' father holrin' the vehicle. O! want a chance to ride in wan whole O'm' able to axparynce the simasation."—Richmond Dispatch.

No one holds the position which he thinks he deserves.

He who wishes to learn all his faults must become poor.

### CASTORIA COUNTERFEITERS.

Their Factory Unearthed and the Manufacturers Arrested—A Warning to Imitators.

The Centaur Company of New York city, manufacturers of Castoria, recently learned that their well known preparation was being counterfeited in St. Louis, Mo., and that worthless imitations were being sold.

After a careful investigation by Chas. H. Fletcher, president of the company, it was learned that a preparation in imitation of Fletcher's goods was being prepared by the Palestine Drug Company of No. 107 South Second street, and sold by a few druggists. Warrants were sworn out for the imitators. Yesterday John Bick, president of the offending company, and Benjamin Chireau, chemist for the concern, were arrested, but later were released on bond.

The cases will be tried before Judge Clark of the Court of Criminal Correction. The Centaur Company has determined to protect the public from worthless imitations of their goods.—St. Louis (Mo.) Republic, Sept. 30, 1900.

**Wouldn't Stand Questioning.**  
Mrs. De Kanter—You said you were going to be detained at your office all evening, but you weren't there. Now, where were you?  
Mr. De Kanter—My dear, there's no sense in your gettin' excited. It really—  
Mrs. De Kanter—Why didn't you answer my question?  
Mr. De Kanter—My dear, I would answer your question if I was sure you wouldn't question my answer.—Philadelphia Press.

**Set On.**  
"Limp's got it in for dat farmer in de fiel' yonder."  
"What for?"  
"He crawled in de farmer's hay an' went to sleep."  
"An' de farmer set a dog on him?"  
"Nope. Set a hen on him."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Clad in Rational Dress.

The wagon struck the rear wheel of the bicycle and the rider was thrown into a pile of bricks. The cyclist raised himself on one elbow, reached his arm toward a side pocket and collapsed, insensible.

A police sergeant felt in his pocket and drew out a flask labeled "J. J. Jones, 40 Duke street."  
"Go to 40 Duke street," said the sergeant to a policeman, "and tell Mrs. Jones that Mr. Jones has—"

The sergeant paused and drew a hand mirror from the other pocket.  
"Tell Mrs. Jones that Mr. Jones has—"

A bystander who was assisting, tickled the cyclist's lips with a feather he was trying to burn under his nostrils. The cyclist smiled and murmured "Charlie!"  
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"How would 'veni, vidi, vichy' do?"  
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**Of Course He Knew.**  
"You understand," pursued the lawyer, "what is meant by a 'preponderance of evidence?'"  
"Yes, sir," replied the man whom he was examining with reference to his qualifications as a juror.

"Let me have your idea of it," if you please.  
"I understand it, I tell you."  
"I would like to have your definition of it."

"I know what it is. When I tell you I know what a thing is, I know it."  
"What was the question I asked you?"

"If you forget your own questions, don't try to get me to remember them for you."  
"I don't want to hear any more of that kind of talk," interposed the court. "Answer the question addressed to you by the counsel."

"Judge, I did. He asked me if I knew what it was, and I said I did."  
"Are you sure you understand what is meant by the term 'preponderance of evidence?'"

"Of course."  
"Well, let's hear your idea of it."  
"It's evidence previously pondered."  
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"I've been thinkin' 'bout that myself," said the old lady, "an' I've 'bout traced it back to you."  
"To me?"  
"Yes. Don't you recollect when you an' Hiram had the fight in the ol' settin' room?"  
"Yes."  
"Didn't he knock yer head sideways with Webster's Dictionary?"  
"E'leve he did!"  
"An' didn't he finish you with 'Pilgrim's Progress' an' the 'Book of Psalms'?"  
"I reckon!"  
"Well, takin' all that in consideration, it's as plain as preachin' that the genius in the family, an' John come by it nat'ral!"—Atlanta Constitution.

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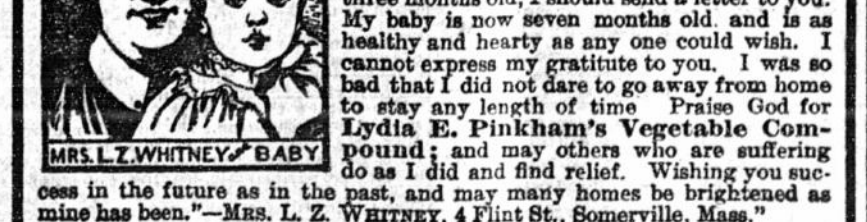
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