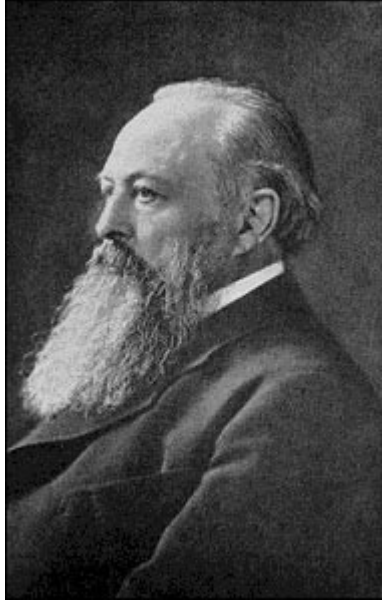


Lord Acton Was Right

“ABSOLUTE POWER CORRUPTS ABSOLUTELY”

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Lord Acton was a [member](#) of the British Parliament from 1859 to 1865 representing Carlow Borough and from 1865 to 1866 representing Bridgnorth. A well-known writer and historian, Acton is known for the saying, “Power tends to corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely. Great men are almost always bad men.”

(Sep. 30, 2013) — If any sentient human being needed more proof of the venality of Harry Reid, as well as that of his “D” comrades in the Senate and their sycophants in the mainstream media, they need look no farther than [here](#).

We now learn that although the Emperor at 1600 was actually flirting with the idea of sitting down and negotiating with the House Republicans over the terms of the funding and debt-ceiling bills now bouncing back and forth, like so many hot potatoes careening toward a midnight dive into the Grand Canyon, Reid succeeded in putting a stop to it. Reid prefers that we all hold hands in unity as we dive over the cliff, lemming-like, into the chasm.

It is, of course, OK to offer to negotiate with the new leader of terrorism-friendly Iran, [Hassan Rouhani](#), over nuclear aspirations and sarin gas in Syria, but in Reid’s view, similar negotiations with Americans (also known as “Republicans”) on keeping the government from shutting down while addressing the evils of Obamacare are off the table. This, of course, after the Emperor himself said he would [not negotiate](#) but was “reconsidering.” That is, until Reid got wind of waffling in the air.

Even Bob (“Nixon-was-behind-Watergate”) Woodward noted that if the government shuts down because of obama’s intransigence, any resulting crisis and damage will be “[on his head](#).” Remember, as noted [here](#), if a government shutdown occurs, it will not... repeat, *not*, come as a result of GOP obstructionism. Rather, it will come as a direct result of the venality, arrogance and plain old political intransigence of folks like Monsieur obama and his *consigliore*, Senator Harry Reid (D. NV).

Indeed, the Emperor’s megalomaniacal goal of imposing upon America one of the most inane, job-killing, unworkable and downright stupid laws to have yet been rammed through Congress without even a thorough read – and ratified by a five-judge insouciant majority of the Supreme Court that could resort only to Twilight Zone semantic gymnastics to do so – is overshadowed by Reid’s raw political arrogance. Bugsy Siegel, founder of the Nevada village that voted Reid into office, would be proud.

Get set, America, because if the looming shutdown ultimately comes to pass, the regime and its Goebbels-inspired propaganda machine will tear into the GOP. And, of course, they will be wrong. Dead wrong. But being wrong has never proved to be an impediment to these folks. Indeed, they seem to revel in being wrong.... as long as they can remain in power.

One is reminded of the admonition offered up in 1887 by Lord Acton: “Power tends to corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely.” The complete quote is even more telling of the characteristics of those who the Democrats extol as “great Americans,” including the Emperor, Reid, Holder, Schumer, et al.: “Great men are almost always bad men.” Memo to the electorate: November 2014 is but thirteen months away.