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MUNICIPAL ELECTION

SALT LAKE CITY.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1886.

For Mayor.

FRANCIS ARMSTRONG.

For Aldermen.

First Precinct..... WM. W. BITER. Second Precinct..... THOS. G. WEBBER. Third Precinct..... FRANCIS CHEN. Fourth Precinct..... ROBERT PATRICK. Fifth Precinct..... GEORGE D. PYPEN.

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For Recorder.

HEBER M. WELLS.

For Treasurer.

ORSON F. WHITNEY.

For Assessor and Collector.

MOSES W. TAYLOR.

For Marshal.

ALFRED SOLOMON.

INTO A CORNER.

At last we are going to get at the straight of the Surveyor-General Dement sensation. The story was published simultaneously in at least three Chicago and one New York papers, though evidently written in each instance by a different hand, indicating that at least four correspondents had heard the tale. Dement having denied that he said the things attributed to him, three correspondents have asked the Senate committee on public lands for the privilege of going before that body and explaining how they obtained the information. The request has been granted, and to-day the newspaper fellows will tell their tale. Meantime, one of them volunteers the statement in advance that Dement gave him the paper on which to write the notes as the Surveyor-General detailed his charges. We did not think the correspondents of such papers as the Chicago Times, Inter-Ocean and Mail and the New York Graphic would rest quietly under the allegation that they had invented the outrageous story which they telegraphed to their journals last Friday. To manufacture a tale of this character would be equivalent to sending in their resignations, for great newspapers do not employ writers who will thus willfully and maliciously lie, recklessly blackening men's characters for the sole purpose of filling columns with sensational matter.

There is probably no one in this city who doubts or has ever doubted that Dement was at the bottom of the slanderous allegations, though he may not have thought the story was to get into the newspapers. The matter is not of the character suggesting its invention by correspondents; on the contrary, it bears evidence of having been given to the reporters for a purpose.

Should the correspondents make it plain that Dement is the author of the malicious and libelous assault upon the officials and people of Utah, it ought to be satisfactory proof to the Senate that he is an unfit man to occupy a Federal office, and his nomination should be rejected as a consequence. Anxious as the people of Utah are that the Federal civil force here be changed, they are not desirous of changes which turn out honest, able and efficient Republicans for Democratic jackanapes, and irresponsible vendors of libels.

A jury in Erie, Pa., has awarded a tramp, who fell from a train and had both feet cut off, \$2,000 damages. The fellow was stealing a ride at the time, and was also under the influence of liquor. He sued for \$50,000, and the damages being too small to suit him, he has appealed. This case very forcibly illustrates the unreasonableness of the popular prejudice against the railroads. The tramp was clearly in the wrong, and was breaking the law when he met with the mishap; besides, the great majority of the community would have been pleased rather than distressed had the fellow been killed; but his maiming gave the public an opportunity to "seek it to a railroad," hence the verdict. Railroad companies sometimes have quite as just cause for complaint against the public as the public has against the railroads.

POWERS MUST GO.

Slowly but surely everybody who is interested in the matter is settling down in the conviction that Associate Justice Powers will have to go. His Honor has not yet given up hope that the Senate will confirm him, and thus fasten the infliction upon the Territory for four years, but he appears to be the only one here who seems to want or expect his confirmation. It is now a month since his nomination was sent to the Senate, and though his friend Dickinson and others have brought all their influence to bear in favor of his confirmation the judiciary committee refuses to report in his favor, and it is quietly hinted that when the report comes it will be unfavorable to the gentleman. In this connection the following, which appeared as a special Washington telegram in the Chicago Inter-Ocean, will be interesting as showing up the true inwardness of the situation in regard to the case:

Don M. Dickinson's nimble figure is seen nowadays flitting across the lobbies of the Capitol and hovering about the doors of the judiciary committee, behind which the fate of his friend Powers is being decided. He wears a troubled look. Evidently things do not look as bright as they should. The charges against Judge Powers are of a serious nature, and the little fairy tale concocted by Mr. Dickinson, that they were the outcome of Mormon hatred, does not seem to have impressed the committee much. The wily Michigan boss thought he could wheedle a favorable report out of Senator Edmunds, whose word is law in the committee, by these representations, but the Green Mountain Sage refused to be caught by such chaff. He told the boss in plain English that he wanted facts and figures, not mere theories to concoct the charges made against Powers. As the case now stands, Dickinson will have rather a hard time in proving that his friend was a fit man to represent the the Supreme Court bench of Utah. The members of Congress from Michigan refuse to assist Dickinson. They enjoy his present discomfiture as much as he did their last summer. At the White House the Michigan boss will get little sympathy and less assistance, since it was discovered that Powers at Chicago was one of the biggest shouters with Tammany against Cleveland.

When the Senate rejects the gentleman, certain local newspapers whose editors are frank enough in private to say that Powers ought not to be on the bench but who through their journals are praising him and his decisions, will "Hop," and declare gleeful satisfaction over his defeat; and local attorneys who will now tell you quietly that he is about the poorest excuse for a judge that has ever been on the bench here, but who dare not speak this above a whisper for fear he will be retained, will rejoice loudly.

Powers' rejection is so certain that we may with safety turn to wondering what queer kind of a customer Cleveland will next send to afflicted Utah. That he will be queer we may be assured for all the peculiar people in the Democratic party have not yet been provided with offices in the Territories.

The Washington correspondent of the Chicago Inter-Ocean, after telling the Surveyor-General's story about land frauds and official corruption in Utah, says: "Mr. Dement is a young man from the interior of Illinois, with a great deal of energy, but no experience. He has been in Utah but a little more than two years, (months) and being naturally of a credulous disposition has evidently put together all the yarns he has heard during his stay there and brought them on to Washington. Commissioner Sparks shakes his head mysteriously when asked about Mr. Dement's discoveries, but will say nothing, and Secretary Lamar declines to talk until he has given the matter more extended examination." It is evident that Dement impressed one correspondent with a very fair estimate of himself.

GOVERNOR MURRAY has not yet returned to the Territorial Treasury the \$2,000, which, according to himself, the Legislature had no right to appropriate, for which the Auditor had no right to draw warrants, the Treasurer had no right to pay, and His Excellency had no right to accept. When Murray gives back that money there will be some reason for believing that he is sincere in his professed regard for a strict construction of the law.

ON HIMSELF.

"If the President will tell us that he removed men from office for party reasons we will immediately confirm every one of his nominations." A Republican Senator of prominence and influence is reported as making the above declaration. Everybody recognized the right of the President to remove certain officials at pleasure, and all expected he would make a clean sweep of Republicans. Had he done so no question would have been raised as to his right in the premises, and the only matter that would have come up in the Senate would have been the qualifications of the appointees. The bitterest Republican would not have thought of asking why an official had been removed, all recognizing the fact that Republicans had been turned out because they were Republicans and the majority of the people of the country had declared in favor of Democrats for office. The President, however, vainly imagining that he could destroy partisanship and overcome party politics in government, undertook to put his foolish ideas into

force, with the result that the Senate is bothering him with a demand for "reasons," and the strong and able men of his own party, instead of rushing in to his defense and assistance, are sitting back and chucking at his discomfiture. As Mr. Cleveland is not big enough to crush the Democratic party, and as the Democratic party will be bigger and stronger when it is not handicapped by having to carry Cleveland, no true Democrat is grieving over the fact that the President's impracticable ideas and nonsensical twaddle about civil service reform are crowding the President off into a party by himself.

GOVERNOR MURRAY expressed similar opinions two years ago to those he now holds in regard to the power of the Territorial Legislature to appropriate money to be paid by the Territorial Treasurer on warrants drawn by the Territorial Auditor. Two years ago there was an item of \$2,000 in the appropriation bill for the Governor, and whatever scruples His Excellency had in regard to the legality of the bill were barked for he approved it, and drew his bit to the cent. Would it be worth while to put another \$2,000 item in the bill this year, or would it be better to let the bill fail, and compel the Territory to get along without public expenditures for two years?

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Notice of time and place for the hearing of Petition for Admission to Probate of Will.

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF SAID Court in said matter, notice is hereby given that Saturday, the 6th day of February, A.D. 1886, at 11 o'clock a.m., at the County Court-house, in Salt Lake City, Utah Territory, in the courtroom of said Court, has been appointed the time and place for the hearing of a petition of Priscilla Paul Jennings, Thomas W. Jennings and Frank W. Jennings, praying for the admission to probate of a certain document therewith presented, purporting to be the last will and testament of William Jennings, deceased, when and where all persons interested may appear and oppose the probate of said will, or the granting of letters testamentary to Priscilla Paul Jennings, Thomas W. Jennings, Frank W. Jennings, Joseph A. Jennings, Isaac Jennings, Thomas G. Webber, as prayed for in said petition. Dated at Salt Lake City, Jan. 23, 1886. JOHN G. GUTLER, Probate Clerk, Salt Lake Co.

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