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TO THE DEMOCRATIC MEMBERS-ELLECT OF THE UTAH LEGISLATURE. GENTLEMEN—In order to facilitate the organization and business of both branches of the legislature the Democratic members of each branch are hereby requested to be in attendance at a caucus at the city hall at Salt Lake City, at 2:30 p.m., on Saturday, January 9, 1892, for the purpose of transacting such business as in the judgment of the members may be deemed necessary and proper.

WEATHER INDICATIONS. The indications furnished by the United States agricultural department through Mr. Kirkham in San Francisco. Fair; stationary or slightly lower temperature.

SILVER AND LEAD. Bar silver was quoted in New York yesterday at 94 1/2. Lead, 4.35. KANSAS MINDS ITS P'S and Pennsylvania its Q.

AS MR. BLAINE makes his nitrate bed, so must he lie in it. KANSAS SPELLS her grip with two P's—PEPPER and PERKINS.

CHILD has taken THE HERALD's advice and apologized. All right, shake! FROM PRUMS to PERKINS is a good deal worse than from INGLIS to PERKINS.

THE BARKING sea of society at the capital of the nation promises an open season. WE HOPE the Chilean government was compelled to apologize to PAT EVAN, too.

WITH SHERMAN returned re-elected to Washington the Senate may resume its ear-muffs. GAZETA, the Mexican revolutionary leader, proves to be a very slippery "greaser."

HOME RULE FOR UTAH. THE HERALD to-day presents to its readers a plan of government for this territory, which has been carefully prepared by the executive committee of the Democratic party, and so endorsed and forwarded to our Delegate to be introduced in Congress.

But the peculiar attitude of Utah in respect of its past history is such that it is felt when time is asked to assuage the antagonisms or to allay the doubts heretofore existing as to religious or social customs, that in reason no objections ought to be raised. THE HERALD is not commissioned to speak for the Mormon church, being controlled and directed outside of that body, but it cannot be ignorant of the fact that the Mormon leaders, conscious of the sincerity of their course in abolishing polygamy, are not unwilling that the world should be convinced thereof, if that is deemed essential to placing the citizens of Utah upon an equality with the citizens of the states. Hence, as we have remarked, there is no party demanding immediate admission to the Union.

But whilst occupying this position, the Democracy here, wholly ignoring all questions except of a secular character, feel that they ought not to be bound down in their political action by the probation of the Mormons. The doctrine of popular sovereignty and home rule is dear to them. It is cherished among the God-given principles of American freedom. It has been handed down with sacred memories from the fathers of our republic. Every day that it is humbled is a measure of reproach.

Of the "Bill for an Act for the Local Government of Utah Territory and to Provide for the Election of Certain Officers in said Territory," the full text of which is printed elsewhere, THE HERALD hastens to record its most earnest and hearty support. It could be well entitled "an act of emancipation," or a bill to apply the teachings of the Declaration of Independence to a quarter of a million American freemen. To be sure, it stops short of the full measure of Utah's rights, by reason of the considerations we have referred to. It leaves the people, as now, without that vote in the House of Representatives and that representation in the Senate of the United States to which by the character and number of its population and its importance to the commercial and business world it is honorably and justly entitled.

Who can object to the proposition that the people of Utah are competent to choose their own governor and territorial officers? The national conventions of both parties quadrennially declare that appointments for the territories should be made from among their citizens, and there is always a cry of disappointment and indignation when this is not done. If the principle is good as to appointments, the logic of it carries the conclusion that, in the nomination and election of persons, where one requirement of eligibility is citizenship, the people are the best judges. Here, rather than in Washington, is the place to settle the qualifications and suitability of aspirants. And this is democracy; this is republicanism.

If the movement under consideration is a novel one, so are the conditions novel that suggest and urge it. The territorial state is in itself abnormal. The theory of it is a government protectorate continuing until the forms of statehood are matured, based upon a sufficient population. In this case, Congress does not relinquish control; but if for any reason connected with the local administration of affairs, the experiment is deemed unsatisfactory, Utah may be remanded to the full territorial dependency that exists at present. The bill puts Utah on trial, as it were, and this stage may last until such time as her true status is determined to the satisfaction of all concerned. It meets any objections on the score of a possible re-instatement of old customs, if, indeed, so ridiculous a supposition can arise. But, best of all, it is an opportune re-affirmation of the right of the people to self-government—that palladium which guards and symbolizes our free American institutions.

A STRAIGHT TICKET. THE HERALD has received another communication advising that the "good citizens, without regard to party politics," will unite in an effort to "wrest the city from the crowd now in control." We do not publish the letter, for the reason that it contains no new points, merely expressing the fear that if the better elements do not combine the Liberals will carry the election and the city will be subjected to two years more of misrule, recklessness and lawlessness.

THE HERALD has on several occasions expressed itself on this matter, and in doing so has correctly stated what it believes to be the position of all Democrats. We are in favor first, last and all the time of a ticket made up from top to bottom of first-class men, whose qualifications for the respective offices for which they will be named cannot be called in question, and we insist that every one of the nominees shall be a citizen—a man who believes in the principles of government as taught by the Democracy, and who will do his utmost to put those principles into practice—a man who believes that the best government is Democratic government.

We believe in going before the voters with such a ticket, and asking all good men, "without regard to party," to help the Democracy to rescue the city from the danger which threatens. If there are citizens and taxpayers who prefer misrule inflicted by their own party to good government administered by Democrats they will, as a matter of course, vote another ticket. The Democratic ticket, and if their ticket shall be elected and misrule follow it will not be the fault of the Democracy.

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good men and property-owners who will see the evil of continuing this city under the rule of the party now in power, to elect the Democratic ticket and thus not only avert the disaster which threatens, but put Salt Lake on the high road to progress and prosperity; but we are unalterably opposed to trading principles for votes even in these times, when votes are so valuable. The Democracy is going to believe that it will win; but win or lose, it is going to maintain its self-respect and feel conscious of having been true to itself and its professions. Hence, there might as well come an end of all talk, so far as Democrats are concerned, of a citizens' or fusion ticket in February.

THE BOYD MATTER. For some reason the Governor Boyd decided not to be handed down by the United States supreme court on Monday, notwithstanding the almost authoritative announcement that the opinion had been agreed upon and written. It is now said that never before has there occurred an instance of "leaking" from the court, and it is possible that the justices were so much put out and annoyed by the publication of what their decision would be that they concluded to withhold the opinion; it is not to be thought of that they will reverse their decision for the sake of getting even with the traitor by proving that he was a liar. If there were no traitor then some enterprising fellow gloriously sold the newspaper fraternity. In any event the facts will come out sooner or later. A Washington correspondent relates that as early as a week ago last Monday a young man approached several newspaper men and asked how much they would give for an advance outline of the decision. Negotiations were entered into and continued until last Thursday when the young man fixed 11 o'clock Friday night when he would deliver the decision. The Philadelphia Ledger paid \$75, the New York Times \$100, and the seller realizing nearly \$1,000. The arrangement was that only one paper in a town should have the matter, but more than one hundred newspapers published the news on Saturday morning, only twenty of which had paid for it. In several instances the price was agreed upon, but the money was not to be paid until the decision was rendered and the good faith of the man making the sale thus verified.

If either the court or the newspapers are eager to expose the guilty parties they should be able to do so without difficulty. Meantime, there is little doubt that the premature-publication of the decision will delay the handing down of the opinion.

CHICAGO TO SINK. An engineer has made a mathematical calculation and as a result he boldly proclaims that Chicago is doomed to early destruction. There is no religious crankiness in this prediction, no Scion and Gomerall business. The engineer says that the soil and substrata of the city are incapable of carrying the colossal structures for the World's exposition. He has figured it out that the weight of the contemplated monuments and buildings must cause a depression of the ground which will engulf the city and the exposition. He asserts that the action of the waves of Lake Michigan has undermined and washed out the soil of the city so that the stratum of earth upon which Chicago stands has a thickness of only sixteen feet, and is consequently too weak to carry the colossal exposition. When the depression of the ground occurs the city will sink to a stratum forty feet deeper than the present surface, and in this respect Chicago will offer a spectacle never produced by any other world's exposition.

This story was first published in a German paper, and some of the other newspapers thought it would be unwise to notice it, inasmuch as the prediction might alarm the timid, but now the enterprising journalists of the lake city are booming the business, holding the sinking act out as an attraction which should draw better than any other feature of the big show. People are urged to come early and secure good seats.

THE ALLIANCE men of Minnesota will hold their annual convention at St. Paul to-day, and it is believed preliminary moves will be made towards fusing with the Democrats in the electoral ticket. J. O'DONNELLY's plan is to divide the state ticket so that in the election the Democrats should have 5 electors and the Alliance 3; Congressmen, Democrats, 4, Alliance 3; the Alliance to have the governor, secretary of state and attorney-general, and the Democrats the lieutenant-governor and treasurer. The combination proposed gives the U. S. Senator to whichever of the two has the majority in the legislature.

THERE is a good deal of talk at Washington about our secretary of state accepting an invitation to dine at Mr. Moyer's house in honor of the new Illinois president, whereas the American minister at Santiago did not attend the inaugural ceremonies. A scandal has grown out of this circumstance and there is a strange intermingling, in the gossip, of the words "salivate beds," "casting an anchor to windward" and "burn this."

THE FAR-EASTERN papers of last Sunday morning printed a dispatch from Montreal, said to have been received from Rome by Father DRUMMOND, head of the Jesuit order in Canada, saying: "The Pope was assassinated to-day. The assassin was shot dead." Strange how such false reports originate!

CHERRY HILLS. Running expenses are those which you pay as you go.—Augusta Chronicle. Dressmaking establishments want measures, but not men.—New Orleans Picayune. Counting the new Senator from New York, Washington now has two Capital Hills.—Washington Star. Even the most grasping Congressman doesn't want the earth. He is well satisfied if he can get the floor.—Boston Post. It is slow work reforming Indians with 5 cents' worth of missionary and 80 worth of whisky.—Indian Friend. Editor—I am sorry, but I cannot talk to any one to-day. Author—O, that's no matter, I will do all the talking myself.—Comic. A woman delights in a speaking acquaintance, especially if she is permitted to do most of the speaking.—Baltimore Republican. One of the hardest things in all public affairs is to keep the brass band from mistaking itself for the entire procession.—Berkshire Herald. Humanity appears to be very unusually divided between those who can't stand prosperity and those who can't get any to stand.—Baltimore Leader. Mrs. Benthere (reading)—Mrs. South Side presented her husband with a handsome pair of twins. Mr. Benthere—Humph! I'll bet they are charged to him.—Old City Herald. "Listed," as the brokers say, at "100 Does" One Dollar." Hood's Sarsaparilla is always a fair equivalent for the price.

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