THE GAS FRANCHISE

Shall Gas Be Twice as Dear as Coal?

The City Council Will Probably Settle the Question at This Evening's Session.

The city council will decide tonight whether the firesides of the citizens shall be bled to the tune of half a million dollars a quarter of half a century to come.

The prosperity of the city and the liberty of the citizens to enjoy the benefits that would naturally accrue from the discovery of gas in this valley are in the hands of the city councilmen.

The citizens of this city are now paying the railroad coal combine a quarter of a million dollars every year over and above legitimate profits on the money invested in the development of the mines.

Natural gas was expected to break the combine and make legitimate competition possible.

But the city council has about made up its mind to pass an ordinance that will make it legal for the Natural Gas company to charge

TWICE AS MUCH FOR GAS

as is now paid for coal and to enable a combine of the gas and coal companies to extract from the pockets of the poor and rich alike three-quarters of a million dollars a year in illegitimate profits.

The plea will be made—and it is always a plausible part of the scheme—that the gas company is made up of respectable business men of this city who are interested in the growth, development and expansion of the city and who would not if they could make the prices so high that they would embarrass trade.

The same tactics have been adopted in every other city where the people have been "cinched" by extortionate legislation.

It is part of the plan to have the company so organized as to give it a local complexion. The natural gas company at Fort Wayne, Ind., was made up, to all appearances, from the business men and bankers of that city—but the majority of the stock was held by a Wall street broker. An ordinance fastening 12-cent per thousand for gas on Lima, Ohio, was passed through the city council of that city on the plea that local citizens would control it—but the majority of the stock was held in Wall street. The original gas company of Toledo, O., enlisted the cooperation of local citizens, but when the people petitioned for redress they had to send their prayers to Dan O'Day, of Buffalo, N. Y., a high official in the Standard Oil company and Charles Foster of Fostoria, Ohio; men foreign to the interests of the city of Toledo.

The controlling stock of all the gas companies in western Ohio

IS OWNED IN WALL STREET

and when the citizens ask for a reduction the agents of the soulless corporations turn off the gas in the heart of winter and freeze the people into abject submission.

And yet the price of gas in these Ohio and Indiana cities is not one-fourth the price stipulated in the Shylock ordinance now before the city council.

Any price above twelve cents per thousand feet is worse than highway robbery. The desperado makes no pretense of friendship to the man he assaults, and meets his victim on an open field giving him the alternative to fight or fork over; and all the highwayman gets is the money the man carries on his person; but the councilmen are the agents of the people, elected on their professions of friendship to their interests. It is not the money of the passing stranger they jeopardize, but the hard earnings of the washerwoman, the day laborer, the common clerk, the honest drayman, the hardy butcher, and the industrious shop people. The factory girl who earns $3 a week has her little meager flame to pay for. The city ordinance will say tonight whether she shall have plenty of fire at a fair cost; or it will snuff it out entirely.

There is no misery like that of hunger and cold, and the fuel of a city should no more be handed over to the clutches of a corporation than its loaves and fishes.

But this measure must be considered outside of sentiment and in the domain of practicable business.

The gas company has expended $10,000 in developing this field. Gas has been discovered. It costs nothing to mine it, and a half million dollars will pay for a plant to pipe it. The money cannot be raised in this city, and

OUTSIDE CAPITAL MUST BE SECURED.

This action will turn the controlling power to Wall street.

The city council is the agent of the people, and should deal with capital as exactingly as a private citizen, banker or merchant would do.

Does anyone pretend that a business man in this city would agree to give any company the right to dig up his grounds, tear up his driveway, and bind himself for twenty-five or fifty years—in case he used its fuel—to pay double as much as he now pays for coal.

Any business man who would enter into a contract to pay over 12 cents per 1,000 feet for a period of over five years would have his business sanity inquired into by a probate court should he die before the expiration of the contract.

The benefits to accrue to this city from the discovery of natural gas will come largely from men who have lived in natural gas regions in the east, and who by deduction will argue that what occurred there will occur here.

But once whisper to these individuals that natural gas in Salt Lake costs 20 cents per 1,000 feet and they could not be started this way by anything less than a charge of dynamite.

This, after all, is the most tremendous fact that confronts us, as it affects directly the city's future growth.

Whatever price is fixed in the ordinance tonight, it should allow the council to revise the price every five years. This would be fair to both the city and the gas company. No city has ever forced any corporation to do business at a loss, but are extremely liberal towards capital.

The gas companies are quite the reverse.

The gas company can better afford to trust the city than the city the gas company.

In five years gas may be so abundant that 5 cents per thousand feet would be extortionate.

Major Doxey offered to deliver to the writer 100,000 feet of gas per day at the surface of the ground for 1 cent per thousand feet. That illustrates the cheapness of the fuel that mices itself, transports itself and feeds itself.

A DANIEL COME TO JUDGMENT.

The Salt Lake Tribune and the Silver Question.

To the Editor of THE HERALD:

What is the matter with the *Tribune*? Since the Minneapolis convention its editorial articles are saturated with jaundice. Did the fact that the Minneapolis convention gave the game to the Mormo-Republicans (as it calls them) and declared the honors easy, give the editor a fit of chronic indigestion?

Up to a few weeks before the convention, before the handwriting upon the wall had become so plain that he who ran could read, he was a thick and thin friend of silver. To him this was the only question of importance before the American people. The voters of the eastern states only needed to have the question fairly presented to them to enable the friends of free coinage to sweep every state. Anyone who has read the *Tribune* for the last six months, if he isn't a fool or a knave, has discovered that free silver coinage has no opponents except a few gold bugs in New York and Boston. A few knaves in their pay and a few deluded idiots who are obstinately determined to send this country to the demnition bowwows for the benefit of the gold bugs aforesaid, and that if the bill which passed the Senate last week can become a law the country will bask in the life-giving rays of this elixir of life to the business world. The editor of the *Tribune* can claim the chief glory of this beneficent measure for I am told by some of his worshippers who would deem it a cardinal sin to read any other book or paper except the *Tribune*, that his editorials especially upon the silver question are quoted as authority all over the United States and Sandwich Islands that there are few senators or representatives in Congress that have the temerity to eat their breakfasts until they have carefully conned his latest utterances upon that question, and that the editors of the leading journals of the country pass many sleepless nights if by any mischance to the mails they fail to get the *Tribune* regularly. Now, why not hurry this bill through the House, convince President Harrison that he should sign it and give it four months' trial before election. In that time we should all be rich and happy. Under its operation everyone will find that what he has to buy is cheap and every thing he has to sell is dear. We shall all have so much money that only the miserly and sordid will care whether anything is dear or cheap. We will carry the country like a hurricane for Harrison, and we will have a protective tariff so high that even an angel will have to get his wings enlarged if he wants to fly high enough to see over it, and we will have a force bill that will give us glorious negro supremacy and Republican ascendency all over the South for the next twenty years at least. All that is necessary is for the *Tribune* editor to put his shoulder to the wheel of the silver car and give it one more boost to cover himself with glory and the country with prosperity.

The Senate has passed this bill. Many Democratic senators have voted for it doubtless led there by the fierce denunciations the terrible excoriations of the *Tribune* visited upon the Democratic House, because a minority of the Democratic members, supported by the practically solid Republican vote, prevented its consideration last winter.

The millenium is at hand if we can get this bill through the House and signed by the President. And one editor with glory, wealth and honor in his grasp turns and looks to the motives of those Democratic senators who voted for free silver. He says they are trying to put the president in a hole, because if he vetoes the bill he will lose the silver states in November, while if he approves it the Eastern states will go against it. What kind of talk is this from the Achilles of free silver? When the president with trembling hands opens his Sunday morning's Salt Lake *Tribune* to get the latest authoritative question and to know what course to pursue with regard to this bill, what encouragement will he get to rain down the blessings of free silver upon a delighted and appreciative country by signing this bill? Brace up, Br'er Goodwin! Look not back upon the golden Sodom. Hold up the weak, faltering hands of the president. Tell him that he will be an educated idiot or a knave if he fails to sign the bill; that if he signs it he will be triumphantly re-elected. Remember what the immortal William said: "There is a tide in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood leads on to fortune," etc. S.

A BOOMERANG.

The Tuscaroras Denouncing the Democratic Party.

To the Editor of THE HERALD:

To the wise man of old is ascribed the saying, "Would that mine enemy would write a book." The straight Democrat of Utah might have expressed the same wish a month ago, substituting "resolution" for "book." If so, his wish must have been fulfilled to a degree beyond his most sanguine hopes by the Tuscarora resolution condemning the national Democratic committee and accusing that committee of having sold out to the Mormon church. One can hardly help suspecting that some enemy in the guise of a friend had smuggled this resolution through the meeting in order to rivet the nails in the Tuscarora political coffin. (In fact we shall not be surprised to hear some of the Tuscaroras claiming within the next six months that the wily church leaders were at the bottom of it.) "Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad." Its palpable effect must be to completely reassure any member of the committee, or of the convention who might have had any lingering doubts as to whether the convention had pursued the wisest and most prudent course in ignoring the Tuscororas.

The style so much in vogue here and so long practiced by the Tuscarora organ of this city, of denouncing the motives of every one who differs with you upon any question, may have been very effective in Utah in times past, but is worn pretty threadbare here. It counts for very little in the United States at large, where logical arguments and reasoning are far more effective than billingsgate and vituperation. The great National Democratic party of the nation will pay about as much attention to the ravings of the Tuscaroras, as a bull would to a gnat that should light upon one of his horns. One of the cardinal principles of the Democratic party since the days of Jefferson has been to make no inquiry into the religious creed or lack of creed of its members. It has fought Know Nothingism in all its phases for the last sixty-five years, and in the end has always triumphed over it, and will follow the same course in the future. If the staunch Democrats of Utah care to place any more sods on the grave of Tuscororaism as an influence in national politics, they will see to it that every member of the Chicago convention and every Democratic member of Congress and the United States Senate is furnished with a a copy of Tuscurora resolutions.

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(*Medical Tribune.*)

Professor Rudolph Virchow was seriously ill several months ago. An admirer of his, the owner of a certain proprietary medicine, took occasion to present him with some bottles of his discovery. Virchow recovered, and was certain that he had received much benfit from the remedy. He accordingly addressed a letter to his benefactor, acknowledging the matter and expressing his gratitude. The letter, coming as it did from the most distinguished teacher of pathologic science in Europe, was published and widely read. The North German Medical Association, like similar bodies in America, has its cranks on ethics. They endeavored to call the professor to account for disregarding the code. Virchow regarded the instincts of a gentleman, and the honor that leads a man to render justice, as paramount to the peck-measure ethics of a conceited gang of half fledged medical men. He answered them with hearty contempt, and withdrew from the association. He chose to stand on manliness, and could afford to do so. It was an issue between ethics and a man, and manhood was asserted.

At about the same time the editor of this journal wrote a letter to a gentleman in Western New York regarding the merits of a remedy known as Warner's Safe Cure. The circumstances in the case were as follows: We had frequently been asked by patients if we knew anything about this remedy, and were obliged to answer in the negative. We then began to make inquiries about the remedy, and were surprised at the reports we heard regarding it. We then recommended it in several cases that had resisted all other treatment, and the results were surprising. The albumen rapidly disappeared from the urine and the patients felt greatly improved in health. Feeling satisfied that the compound was a valuable one, and that it could do no possible harm to any one we continued to recommend it, and were surprised at the good results obtained.

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Medical journals of all schools of medicine are filled with advertisements and editorial puffs of proprietary medicines, many of which are worthless. The editors know nothing of their composition or preparation, but have an eye to the money they get for their advertisements. There has been no protest against these things. How, therefore, a certificate based on experiences such as ours, and without compensation, should have greater turpitude, is a problem beyond our capacity. Why one should be fish and another flesh we are not sagacious enough to determine. We leave it for those who care more for the rotten corpse of the old code than for common fairness and common sense.

Those who are eager to find fault will do so. They are heartily welcome to their task. To be sure blows can be given as well as taken, except that some escape because of their contemptible insignificance. We have no ammunition to waste on such. This, however, we will say: No man of common human sensibility, who has the red blood of a mammal, and not the pale, snaky fluid of the lower races, will have the heart to judge our actions severely or to say that we have done aught but what we have always claimed to be our right—to use any remedy that will benefit our patients, without reference to the source from which it comes.

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