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TIMELY TOPICS.

The News heartily endorses and commends to the attention of its readers the views expressed by W. D. W. in his communication published in another column. The successful manufacture of iron has passed beyond the experimental stage in this Territory, all that is needed being capital and good management. Our opinion is that foreign capital would long since have entered the field and pursued the important industry had there been less uncertainty as to possible overcharges for fuel. With cheaper coal there is no likelihood that our ironmen will be so handicapped as to be unable to compete with the products of the West.

W. D. W.'s views on business are also full of sense and wisdom; they are timely and to the point, and should be borne in mind by those who are just now looking after the copper plant establishment.

JUSTICE AT LAST.

Our people in Idaho have learned by enforced conditions how to be patient and wait, whether or not it is now a demonstration to them that all things come to those who wait. From two to three thousand citizens for several long years have taken no other part in the elections in which they were so greatly concerned as anybody else. To "look wise and be silent." Possessing every requirement of their more fortunate neighbors, except that of belonging to some other church than the Mormon or to none at all, they have been indignantly singled out as a special mark for discrimination. They have not in any case, we believe, been deprived of that privilege of the citizen which the Constitution of the United States justly says shall not be imposed unless the state is granted along with it—paying taxes. To say that all along they have willingly "borne it with a patient shrug, for sufferance is the badge of all their tribe," would not be stating the case correctly, albeit they have made less complaint than we believe any other class of people similarly situated would have done. They have petitioned, remonstrated, and complied with the requirements after another as there seemed any hope of success, only to be disappointed and denied if not derided.

In a country like this such a state of affairs cannot last very long; in any case it is only a question of how long. The spirit of equality and fairness throughout the land and which is the best guaranty of the perpetuity of the American system, will eventually break through or over even such barriers as that excluding the rights of the Mountain Men from the outside world and news, not to say ignorance, in the matter of administering local affairs, are all that such a relic of the earlier colonial system submits upon. Under the influence of improved communication with the government itself by means of the boon of telegraph, with an influx of population from frontier quarters where proscription is unknown, and the other and still greater advantage which comes of free schools, a free press and free discussion, exclusion from the outside world and news, not to say ignorance, in the matter of administering local affairs, are all that such a relic of the earlier colonial system submits upon.

On Saturday the legislature of the state passed a bill restoring to our people all that had been taken from them in a political way. The rest they do not care for. It has been no mercy or meretricious spirit in which they have conducted their "plan of campaign." They wanted the right that other taxpayers and men of intelligence enjoyed, of voting in a holding office—the latter not necessarily an object but rather an incident in the struggle. They have worked as became upright, progressive, law-abiding people—through the courts and other avenues of justice, never in any instance breaking into disorder or making any other demonstration with such excessive disappointment than such as any citizen may properly make, by protesting and to non-reaction. At last they are rewarded for their patience, persistence and good behavior; at last they are as sovereign within their sphere as any of their neighbors, as any citizen anywhere, as the President of the United States himself. It is well, and we hasten to congratulate.

Let us now enjoy a realization of the belief all along entertained that the Mormon voters of Idaho would not only regard the others in the matter of intelligent and patriotic political action, but go beyond them if possible. To find the right of suffrage in any state of the Union is the greatest privilege which any man can have, and because of that it is coveted by the greedy, greatest and most far-reaching consequences. It is not the mere act of voting but the discrimination exercised and the purposes and intelligence accompanying the act which are so principally considered. The news, the act, the use of the word is still free from the "corruption of hands," the holding who willingly or grudgingly does the will of another—all these may perform the simple act of voting and by so doing neutralize the vote of a philosopher, a trained publicist, a man of affairs, a statesman. But which is the latter position to be

occupied? The freeman armed with a ballot intelligently selected and cast without the influence of intimidation or corruption, is one of the noblest specimens this side of divinity, and grand as it is, consequently as it is, few there are that cannot fit it. We look to see our friends in Idaho fit it to a man, and promise those who joined in the act of striking the political fetters which have encumbered the limbs of their neighbors as long, that they have made no mistake.

"THE STANDARD."

The first glimpse of yesterday morning's Ogden Standard would have given the impression that the paper had joined the long procession of journals which are spoken of in the past tense. The announcement appeared in bold characters at the top of its first page Sunday morning—"The Standard closes down this date to start its office and cannot be permitted to be resumed." It was a surprise to those who have been its readers for the past three years. The situation is explained. The Standard was a weekly paper, and its publication was a financial failure. It was a weekly paper, and its publication was a financial failure. It was a weekly paper, and its publication was a financial failure.

It would be a great pity that so ambitious and generous a town as Ogden should not have a daily paper in its midst that is not continually shaking with the age of insufficient patronage, and applying the medicine of personal assessments on the stockholders. It would be also a misfortune, since no place of any consequence can make even slight headway in these times without a journalistic mouthpiece, and if one that has weathered the storm as long as the Standard has, and been as uniformly successful from a professional and artistic point of view, cannot do it, surely it is not worth while to count on any other for a great length of time—certainly not for a daily.

Without desiring to interfere in the matter at all, we content ourselves with observing that the members of the Typographical union by their action have for a time at least elected to be without employment, and consequently without wages, and caused this class of men to lose employment to be closed. This is to be regretted all around, whatever may be the rights and wrongs of the case.

THE SCANDAL BECOMES SCANDALOUS.

A few days ago the dispatches announced the leaking out of a previously secret but quite interesting morsel about the Panama canal. It was that General Grant was appointed, when the company commenced to take definite shape, and offered an annuity of \$25,000 for the use of his name in connection with the enterprise, and that he promptly declined the tempting bid. It was very much like him to do so, and this was due to the emphasis with which he said to the press that he would not be a part of the Panama canal question—how far-reaching could that business be? Is it a great enterprise whose interests have personal many lands?

Speaking of the resolution recently introduced in the House of Representatives at Washington some days ago authorizing an investigation of the expenditure of \$2,500,000 of the Panama canal fund in this country, the World at once said that it ought to be pushed, and the committee on Rules set a day for it without delay. "There is no question in the answer that the committee already has before it more business than the House can possibly attend to," says the paper. "The consideration of the resolution need be merely formal, because the only question of moment is that referring to the expenditure of money for corruption. So as our has extended a good deal of money in this country for the purpose of preventing hostile action to the Nicaragua canal, and it is the duty of Congress to try to find out who is the corrupter and who are the corrupted."

Similar language was employed by many other powerful and influential journals and it has been, as the investigation has been going on several days. The incident first above spoken of is one of the developments, but there are many others and it is difficult to tell where or how it will end or where the lightning is likely to strike next. It is shown by another paper that over \$100,000 of Panama money went through Seligman's New York bank and of this \$7,500,000 was paid out between June, 1891 and Oct. 1892. Richard W. Thompson, the secretary of the navy in President Hayes' cabinet, accepted \$25,000 a year as chairman of the American committee. This committee was for the purpose of loaning to foreign investors in the canal zone and hence the necessity of the American government.

One may well wonder, says the Chicago News Herald, whether the use of money secured with the expenditure recalled by Seligman. There is grave apprehension that some of it was used to silence the workings of opposition to the canal project. The Canal zone has found expression in the Capitol then pending in Congress. It would seem from Seligman's statement that a key was used in America to muzzle the Monroe doctrine. Ugly as the matter looks, it is better that the whole truth should be known. The House

committee should push the investigation without fear or favor. The results to France have been most remarkable, in some cases deplorable. Honored and wealthy men have fallen to rise no more, and it seems that the end is not yet. There are in every country men who are always willing and even anxious to be tempted as the Panama managers know how to tempt, and it is not fair that only some of them fall by the way while the rest escape. Let the job be thorough and complete while we are at it.

ONE OF THE COMING STATES.

The territory of Arizona is a promising one of the future domain. It has most of the advantages of the states with but few of their more serious drawbacks. Its population is not large, but is mainly intelligent, progressive and prosperous, and is growing with a steady growth. Its legislative assembly is now in session, and on the 14th inst. the message of Governor Murphy was sent in. It is described by quite an elaborate document. His speech in favor of removing the penitentiary from Yuma and the working of various outside the prison. High hopes for Arizona and the prohibition of gambling, which so now business, were advanced. The governor favored the extension of women, and suggested that all conditions and business should be allowed to attract business and turn them over to the nearest authorities, consulting with the recommendation about a joint resolution should be sent immediately to Congress urging that it is generally considered the wisest message ever delivered to Arizona.

On the same day a committee was appointed to the extent to investigate the actions of the territorial legislature, which recently secured \$1,500,000 to refund the public debt. Just what this committee is pronounced difficult to determine. Candidates from both houses were appointed to investigate the territorial institutions and report on their condition.

It may be that Arizona will have to wait a year or more before a prayer for statehood is answered; but as she seems to be doing very well without it and will probably be many under prepared by the time it does come, we expect that the great question there are outgrowing much over the situation. It will make a great state when it does get it.

An Eastern paper has a Western item that contains a suggestion, whether it is true or not. It relates that in one of our theaters lately a man suddenly rose to his seat and complained to the audience that on account of the thing worn on the head of the woman to front of him he was unable to witness the performance. And, so the story goes, the man's darling was rewarded. The woman rose in all her majesty, looked at the man with an expression that seemed to say, "Oh, I wish I were Corbett," and swept out of the house in great anger.

Mr. Whitehead is going to spend the rest of the winter to sunny California. It was expected in some quarters a few weeks ago that the gentleman's duties in Washington would require his presence there; but the March winds of the national capital have since been deemed for trying a season for his health. It is hardly necessary to say that Mr. Whitehead's popularity here in the fact that he is the father of the New York Tribune.

MICROBIOLOGISTS are forbidden by law in this Territory, but it is not so in nearly half of the Union. The states and territories which permit while an individual people to internecine are Connecticut, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

IN ALMOST every state legislature that is in session, an anti-criminal bill has been introduced. The sponsors of the several measures may have been joking, but their colleagues have taken them in earnest as may be seen from the references made of the various legislatures—in one or two cases in the committee on navigation, but usually to the committee on health-minded.

It would have startled matters very much if John A. Andrew of Ogden had placed about half a dozen of his "housekeeper" titles in the hands of the Kansas legislature.

It is remarked that Mr. Russell, the next legislator, would not, but the total of it is better. He will then be likely to attend strictly to business.

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