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## SOME FACTS AND FIGURES.

Now that the excitement over the city election is cooling down, and it is possible perhaps for people to use their reason, without that extreme bias that strong partisanship gives to many minds, we would like to present a fact or two for general consideration.

There were three tickets in the field. According to the published returns, one of them polled 8,456 votes, the next on the list 7,797, and the third and least 4,985. What does this prove? That the ticket supported by the largest number of votes represents the majority of the citizens? Not at all. Add together the Democratic and Republican votes, and the sum will be 12,792. Deduct from that the total of the "American" vote, and you have a balance of 4,326 in excess of that vote. Thus it will be seen that the large majority of the voting citizens of Salt Lake had no affiliation with the faction that obtained a plurality in the contest, so far as the political situation is concerned.

We mention these figures for the benefit of people who do not take pains to investigate matters, but run away frequently on incorrect notions and are led by assertions which have no foundation in truth. In addition to the large number of voting citizens who did not follow the crowd that gained a plurality of only 659 over the Democratic vote, quite a number of people stayed away from the polls and did not cast a ballot for either party in the contest. Thus it will be seen that the control of the city is not in the hands of the majority of the people, but of a minority, which slipped into power through the gap between the other two parties to the contest.

We do not refer to this to belittle in any way the authority vested in the victorious organization. So far as we can see, it obtained a legitimate victory over its opponents. Whether that be so or not, the management of municipal affairs is in its hands, and the people will have an opportunity, during the next two years at least, of testing its ability and its disposition in reference to public affairs.

The officers elect, when they assume the positions to which they have been chosen, will be on trial, and if they are wise and prudent they will be able to demonstrate that they are suited to their respective vocations and worthy of the public confidence. They will be watched very closely with critical eyes. It is to be hoped that they will act in the public interest and not simply for personal aggrandizement or ambition, or for the sole benefit of the party with which they have allied themselves.

We do not believe that all the officers elect are imbued with the spirit of discrimination against a portion of the people, that was exhibited by its promoters and claimed for it in speeches and publications. The welfare of the community means justice to all, not friendship to a faction merely. All citizens who pay taxes, no matter to what amount, are financially as well as otherwise interested in the affairs of the municipality and entitled to fair consideration. This needs to be especially understood and acted upon, when the figures which we have presented of the relative numerical strengths of the parties are kept in view.

We need unity of effort, a common understanding of the needs of the city and a determination among all parties to forward everything that is conducive to the general welfare, to progress in wealth, in public enterprises and in the prosperity of every part and section of the community. If this is kept constantly in view and acted upon, Salt Lake will grow and flourish, and all the great things that have been predicted for it will be fully realized. Let us all do our part to make them glorious realities!

## DANGERS OF PLUTOCRACY.

The London Times correctly asserts that "at the root of all the American alarms and perplexities lies the immense and irresponsible power wielded by capital." It is another way of stating the familiar proposition, that "love of money is a root of all evil." This is true in the experience of individuals, it is also true of the communities of which the individuals are but units. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," and just now patriotism must stand guard against the encroachments of a power that is much more heartless, more grasping, more relentless than any autocracy. Autocrats have human feelings. Even Ivan the Terrible felt at times the throbs of a human heart, but plutocracy is cold as a machine of steel. It is unaffected by the death groans of the victims that may fall between its grinding wheels. It constitutes the greatest menace of the age to free institutions.

The money power is dangerous, first

to those who are in pursuit of it. When the heart is set upon obtaining wealth the probability is that it becomes insensible to the higher and nobler activities of life. Very few persons, if any, can devote all their time and talents to earthly concerns and at the same time take an interest in that which prepares them for celestial exaltation. Most persons must devote themselves to one pursuit at the expense of the other. And this is true of all intellectual activities. Few men, or women, can attain prominence as philologists, astronomers, etc., and at the same time become financial magnates. One pursuit nearly always excludes the other, and in order to excel, each must devote himself to that which comes most natural to him. The pursuit of wealth is therefore dangerous. How often do we not find persons thus engaged, having no time for devotional exercises, no time for religious studies and meditation! They hope, perhaps, to get time to satisfy the cravings of the immortal spirit, at some future period. But, alas! the years roll by, and finally it becomes too late to undo the results of long neglect. The "evil days" have suddenly come.

Then, in the mad pursuit of the power of wealth the conscience is too often made insensible to methods, as long as infraction of the law does not bring degrading punishment. Dishonesty has become so universal, that an honest man—"God's noblest handiwork"—is almost a curiosity. Most of the "crooks" of today would find it embarrassing to answer the question: "Where did he get it?" Some of the foremost "financiers" used to be held up as shining examples of what honesty, industry, and intelligent work will do for men under free institutions. Now their "success" is almost turned to reproach, for methods have been laid bare that illustrate, if anything, the soul-destroying dangers to which hunters of wealth are subjected, when every other object in life becomes secondary.

In the next place, the power of wealth, when finally obtained, is as dangerous as a deadly weapon in the hands of an inexperienced child. Few people know how to handle it without peril to both themselves and others. Solomon was endowed with wisdom beyond all men, but this did not prevent him from bringing disaster to the state, through the follies his wealth enabled him to commit. And so it will ever be. In this country a few men aim at the control of the government, through the power of money. In every state there will be found some who aim at the control of the state government, through the power of wealth. This is at the root of all the trouble in this country. The world stands appalled at the revelations of Russian autocracy against which the people now have turned, but the autocracy of the Czar is really child's play to the autocracy of the money power that has spread itself in this country to every ramification of society. And it is still spreading, silently, secretly. Let the people be on guard, lest some day they will find themselves tied with the bonds of servitude, to be severed only the sword.

## NOW FOR FACTORIES.

We hope the contemplated plan for the organization of an association with the object of making this city a manufacturing center, will mature. Mr. O. H. Hewlett who has interested himself in this matter, desires discussion and suggestions on the methods to pursue, and invites interested citizens to a meeting for the perfection of the organization. As far as this plan has the interests of the people of Utah in view, it deserves to meet with success. It is an object for the accomplishment of which all good citizens, regardless of creed, can co-operate in perfect unity and harmony.

One of the great needs of this international region is manufactures. Agriculture, mining, trade, professions, etc., do not furnish sufficient employment for the young, who year after year are looking out for some place where to become useful members of the community. We have some factories, but more are needed, and the more spoken of is one in the right direction. Salt Lake is destined to grow, notwithstanding the unwise efforts of some individuals with stranded ambitions. The natural resources are here, and these will of necessity be utilized. The railroads will aid in this great work of development, and the future of the city looks encouraging.

## REPETITION OF HISTORY.

The inference from the atrocities committed in Russia by the lawless element of the friends of liberty, would seem to be, that the people in that country are not prepared for self-rule, and that the only salvation is a return to the autocratic power that can mete out to assassins a full measure of blood and fire. The prevailing lawlessness would appear to be a perfect justification of the previous rule of tyranny. But this conclusion would not be justified by the facts.

What happens in Russia today is analogous to what happened in France after the fall of the Napoleonic empire thirty-five years ago. No sooner had the guns of the German invaders been silenced by a humiliating treaty of peace, than Communism, inflamed by frenzied agitators seized the government and evidently intended to bring chaos and ruin to the state. But their time was brief. Law and order were soon established. Something similar has happened in Russia. Assassins have come to the front, in the general turmoil, but the conservative element is, no doubt, stronger than the murderous anarchists, and after a little, it will assert itself. It is a pity the Czar waited so long with his reforms. If he had yielded to the respectful petitions of the Zemstovists, while he still had undisputed power to carry out the reform plans, the country would have been saved the fearful experiences of baptism in blood, through which it is now passing.

In order to understand the present situation in Russia it must be remembered that the revolution is not new. It is of long standing. As far back as 1870 all was in readiness for a revolt

against the government, but the leaders changed their minds and commenced a campaign of education among the masses of the people. Thousands of young Russians scattered all over the country as teachers of the new ideas. In 1879 a party called the party of "The Will of the People" was formed. This advocated terrorist tactics, which culminated in the assassination of Alexander II in 1881. Thereupon there followed a period of transition during which the reformers split up into two factions, one, the Socialist Revolutionary party, demanding political freedom as the prerequisite of social reform, while the other, the Socialist Democratic party, remained true to the fundamental principle that political reform was immaterial for the social revolution. The latter have confined themselves chiefly to the organization of strikes, and similar measures.

The extent to which the revolutionists have succeeded in inflaming the country, notwithstanding the vigilance and cruelty of autocracy, is nothing short of marvelous, and proves the futility of resisting the will of the people even under the most tyrannical government. Success may attend such efforts for a time, but finally the people will get the better of its oppressors. History repeats itself.

In San Francisco fusion was worse confounded.

The hand that rocks the cradle is the one that rules elections.

"The Kaiser is not a man of war," says the German ambassador. Neither is he a battler.

"Oh, whistle, and I'll come to ye, my lad," doesn't seem to work in the case of the curfew whistle.

Regarding the vote for Hearst the New York politicians are all asking, "Where did he get it?"

"Alexander was wont to say, 'Were I not Alexander, I would be McCurdy or McCall.'"—Plutarch-up-to-date.

In Vienna they are enjoying the novel experience of a "passive resistance strike." How fortunate are the lookers-on in Vienna.

Mr. Wallace has returned from Boston and tells of telephone improvements to be, "Ring the Bell softly, there's craps on the door."

Prince Louis of Battenberg has been elected a member of the "Printers' union of Baltimore." This makes him a prince of good fellows.

Mr. Hearst refuses to be content with a place in the "also ran" class. He proposes to have the first place if he can possibly get it.

Russia's condition today is a splendid illustration of the saying that any fool can start a conflagration, and it is hard to tell who can stop it.

An old man followed a young woman across the continent to marry her and because she finally rejected him he committed suicide. And this proves once more that there is no fool like an old fool.

"It seems to be a case of 'off ag'in, on ag'in, gone ag'in, Flannigan,'" with Senator Dubois," says the Oregonian. And that sizes up the situation about right. The Senator's lightning changes are quite formidable.

State Treasurer-elect Berry of Pennsylvania says, "I intend to let the people know just how I find things." If half the reports be true as will find such a condition of affairs that strong smelling salts will be required.

"Schmitts will be beaten by 15,000 because there is an uprising of decent citizens against him and his rule of graft," said the San Francisco Chronicle. That was a forecast that would have discredited a weather bureau.

President John R. Hegeman of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company says that sixteen officers of his company receive \$303,105 in salaries, but they now receive no other compensation. This shows how modest great men can be when so minded.

The result of the election in this city on Tuesday last is a complete refutation of the charge against the Church leaders, that they dominate the politics of the Church members. This statement has been sent out broadcast, together with others calculated to inflame public opinion against inoffending, loyal American citizens, although not a shadow of proof has been adduced to substantiate the assertion. The election completely upsets the false testimony on that point, and before the bar of American public opinion, we believe the inimitable nature of the accusation will now be thoroughly understood.

## FREEDOM FOR FINLAND.

Los Angeles Express.

Czar Nicholas evidently has seen the folly of further oppressive measures and seeks to ally the nation by a return of the constitutional rights that he so unwisely assumed. He has found that it is useless further to temporize with the situation and still grant a constitution in the interest of peace to this faction-torn and anarchy-ridden nation. There is reason to believe that his proposed reforms are sincere and that a new era has dawned for Finland.

## ATHENS AND TOMBSTONES.

London Standard.

A curious and, for many districts of Germany, characteristic struggle has arisen between a certain family living in Gera and the authorities of that town. It began fifteen years ago, when a member of the family died, and it was decided to engrave on his tombstone the words, "We shall never see you again, yet will always remember you." This was construed by the police and the ecclesiastical authorities as an open denial of the doctrine of the immortality of the soul and resurrection of the body, and they gave orders to have the words "never" and "yet" plastered over with cement. For fifteen years the family attempted to have the cement removed, and, failing, took the law into their own hands, again exposing the offending words. Again the town council has plastered over the words, and as this operation

has cost one mark seventy-five pfennigs (about thirty-five cents) they sent in their bill for the amount. As the family declined to pay they were sued, and thus the matter rests for the present.

## THEN WHY "FORECAST?"

Boston Transcript.

If the man who sues the United States for damages resulting from a false weather forecast recovers anything there will be multitudes to bring similar suits. "Fair and warm" the forecast said—how often we have read it to be disappointed—but the day went contrary to the prophecy and was cold and raw. The plaintiff in this unique suit was not prepared for such weather and took cold, etc. No doubt he has a grievance, as have so many of us who have found some of our best-laid picnic plans upset by just such a false prophecy. But somehow we have always believed, and probably the judge before whom this case is tried will uphold us in the belief, that we should have to "go higher up" than the weather bureau, or than the United States government, to fix the responsibility for our discontent.

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