

have a jollification in the shape of a picnic. While having a high and good time, the joy of the party was soon turned to mourning, lamentation and internal physical commotion. It was ice cream that did it. These people partook freely of the sweet stuff and shortly afterwards were seized with excruciating pains and 200 men, women and children were strewn on the grass writhing in the throes of agony, and numbers of them in convulsions.

The town has only two doctors, but these, recognizing the symptoms and the seriousness of the calamity, summoned additional aid from Kingston, twenty-two miles away. A strong force of physicians was soon on hand, and began administering antidotes, at which work they were kept busy the remainder of the day and night. Good fortune attended their efforts, as so far as heard from no fatalities had occurred, although many of the patients were still in imminent danger.

The cause of the trouble was that the cream had been left in the freezers over night. The consequence was that it absorbed from the vessels lactate of zinc, with which it was largely impregnated. This fact was made clear by analysis. The moral of this alarming incident is that lovers of ice cream—or rather its manufacturers—should be careful not to have it seasoned with lactate of zinc or any other poisonous materials.

TRICKS OF THE ADVERSARY.

THE so-called "Liberal" party of Utah has been noted from its inception for tricks and dodges, attempts at political fraud and the low-down tactics of bar-room caucuses and wire-pulling factions. It is now engaged in several schemes to extend its encroachments at the August election, and to pave the way for the contemplated steal of the city next February.

One of its methods is persistent misrepresentation of the official acts of men in authority, and pandering to the popular disposition to find fault on the slightest provocation. It is so easy to grumble, and so common to cast blame for unavoidable difficulties upon prominent persons who are entirely innocent of wrong-doing. There is no sense in making a public officer a target for the shafts of envy, malice and discontent. But it has been a custom among the pot-house grumblers and political rikers for ages, and it is a groove

into which the unreflecting very easily fall, particularly when hoodwinked and led by the designing.

The present drouth forms a plausible theme for "Liberal" falsifiers. People suffering from its effects are ready to echo their senseless censures of public officers because of the lack of water. And yet the streams from which the irrigation supply usually comes are almost dried up in the mountains, north and south and east. The lack is not confined to this city or county. It is universal in the Territory. And it is not true that the officials of this city have been dilatory or indifferent in relation to the matter, or that they do not want exertions to be made to prevent future deficiency, or that they wish to blame Providence for any of their errors. Statements pretending that they have acted in this way are simply "Liberal" lies.

Of this same kind are the assertions that any man, prominent among the "Mormons" or otherwise, desires people who have been deprived of water or other rights to make no effort to maintain their rights, or to sit down supinely and use neither mental nor physical endeavors to improve the situation. They have counseled "Christian" forbearance, the settlement of disputes by rational and civilized methods instead of by revengeful and barbarous means, by arbitration instead of force, by reason instead of the rifle. And they are right. This displeases the ruffians who want to promote strife among the "Mormons," of course, and blocks the way of the plotters who want to divide the people that they may gain their own ends. Only the silly and the vicious will listen to their diatribes or be led by their wicked wiles.

These "Liberal" conspirators have been pretending that the People's party were making attempts to illegally increase the number of votes here. Of course there is not a word of truth in the story. But the reason for its utterance becomes plainer every day. It is to cover up their own efforts in this very direction. The Ogden tactics are even now being resorted to. We learn of the importation of persons to be used at the polls, the naturalization of men who have been in the country little more than a year, the registration of individuals who are merely transients, the hiring of others to represent absentees, and other tricks so familiar to "Liberal" conspirators.

And now a plan is said to be on foot to send out of town as many "Mormon" voters as possible to work on a railroad, where they are to be kept till after the election, and a premium is to be paid for every voter so sent out of the city. A very nice little trap, into which we hope but very few will fall. They should not, after this warning is sounded as to the purpose in view.

All this should but stimulate the members of the People's Party to determined and united action. It should wake up every voter to a sense of duty. It should fire every heart that is loyal to the cause of the People, as against the machinations of men who would deprive them of every right, and rob them of every privilege that is dear to a citizen of the United States.

These schemes should be met and overcome. Every illegality should be exposed and every attempt at fraud punished. And the nonsense and falsehood of "Liberal" defamers should only excite derision and contempt in the breast of every member of the party which has conducted public affairs in Utah, so that this Territory is noted for the honesty, integrity and wisdom with which it has been governed.

Friends, keep your eyes and ears open, that fraud may not triumph nor falsehood prevail, and see to it that your enemies do not obtain power over you through any blindness, misstep, indifference or inactivity of your own! And let every man that is warned, warn his neighbor, and all work together for a sweeping victory in August.

A THIN MAN.

A FRIEND has handed us a copy of the *American Lithographer and Printer*. It contains a synopsis of an address delivered by a Mr. Bartlett before the Boston Lithographic Artists' Association. His subject was "Chinatown, San Francisco."

By way of introduction, which constituted the larger part of his speech, the speaker pretended to give a sketch of his trip through the great West on his way to the object which formed the kernel of his discourse. Of course Salt Lake City received some attention from him. Taking his observations upon it as a sample of the pabulum upon which he fed his "cultawed" audience, he must be rather a thin-brained individual—one of those wisacres whose curtailed mental vision will not admit of his penetrating beneath the surface of things.