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WILFORD WOODRUFF,
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First Presidency.

A POLITICAL POINT SETTLED.

Our Democratic friends got together on Saturday evening in primary convention in each of the five municipal wards. The proceedings entire will be found in their proper place in our news columns, to which those interested are referred. One thing, however, it might be advisable to notice, as it raised and perhaps settled a point concerning which there has been some little controversy.

In the Second ward (or precinct) the question was raised as to whether or not those who had previously participated in the Independent or Citizens' primaries were debarred from participation in the Democratic primary. A motion was made that all who had heretofore acted with the Democracy and those who intended to act with it be entitled to participate, and this created a lively debate, a few holding stubbornly to the position that Democrats forfeited their political birthright by training with any other squad. One of the speeches in opposition to this view was quite lengthy and set out the whole situation. It showed that the previous meeting was not strictly political in character but rather in the nature of a business gathering in which all political elements joined for the purpose of cleansing the municipal Augean stables; it being, in brief, a choice of the conditions presumed to be good in our midst against those known to be bad. No man's political standing was thereby impaired and each could pursue his preferred ideals the same as before. The vote showed only three dissenters to the proposition, so it may be regarded as settled that way.

UNUSUALLY BAREFACED, THAT'S ALL.

Save for the fact that the following appeared in the *Tribune*, it would scarcely be worth while to notice it. The miserable devices of those who try to make money or notoriety out of an old-time curiosity regarding the Mormons, have been exposed so often that there is no longer either satisfaction or novelty in mentioning them. The base deception here attempted is no worse nor any less ingenious than hundreds of others with which all Utah readers are familiar; but, as stated above, there is something unique in its exposure through the columns of the Salt Lake *Tribune*. With this much of explanation and apology, we quote from the Ogden issue of that paper of Sunday, September 24th:

> Some few months ago the Rev. J. L. Brandt, pastor of the Christian church of Ogden, started out on a tramping tour, the purpose of his journey being to secure for his church in Ogden a Brandt one something of a sensation and so he selectly would period and the following story would be found enough, being wondered for by Ogden ladies.
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> Brandt discovered a spring on Utah and for proper, and illustrated his journey with photographs every. It seems the Brandt spring had its birth in attempt to a road Kansas city, where the two ladies relative to state visiting trouble. They now on the Brandt and concluded to allege that sensible. Accordingly they went, carrying all of one. The doll, was discovered, being a complete set of photographs, and Rosie Brandt did not with the doll.
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> The lesson presented recently from the prominent resident that part of the Brandt spring. Mr. Brandt, the agent of the Ogden ladies, representing of the women of Utah, and said that he would take after the picture of a Mormon wife of a Mormon Mormon—a Mormon, mormon, only, but one who has selected photo, and whom who thought he prove has been to secure her Brandt, from the complete homage the mormon. What was the surprise of the Ogden ladies when the reverend performer showed upon the canvas the picture of his own wife! After the performance, when the lights were turned on in the hall, the ladies spoke to Brandt, who, seeing that he had been caught, made his escape with great haste.
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> The ladies who sell the story are of high standing in Ogden, and they give the above as the facts.

A SACRED CHOLERA WELL.

Attention was called some time ago by the News to the fact that the yearly pilgrimages of Mohammedans to Mecca undoubtedly have something to do with the periodically appearing cholera epidemics in Europe, and that precautions might be taken to the very center of Mohammedanism to prevent it from being a hotbed of disease. One of the duties of the devotees is to drink the water of the well Zemzem, supposed to be the identical spring from which Hagar quenched her thirst. The pilgrims ascribe to the contents of this well many peculiar virtues and regard it much as the Catholics do certain holy places in Palestine. Travelers describe the water as having a bad taste and being cathartic in its effects. Mr. E. Frankland, writing to the London *Times*, says he has recently analyzed it, and that the sample of water that came to him through the India office was full of dead microbes and contained, in an equal volume, considerably more animal matter than is found in average London sewage. In addition, it afforded evidence of previous pollution with an amount of such matter at least six times as great as that contained in an equal volume of average London sewage. The water has been again, quite recently, analyzed by Colonel Bonkowski Bey, consulting chemist to his majesty the sultan of Turkey. His results confirm Mr. Frankland's analysis. They show that the water is still abominably polluted by excrementitious matters. The surroundings of this well are such as so would be likely to impart to the water these dangerous ingredients. Mecca appears to have no sewerage system; all foul matters being buried in the earth within or near the city. Hence the foulness of the water percolating into the well through this mass of corruption. Colonel Bonkowski Bey is one authority that Mecca is supplied with water of excellent quality; but, of course, the pilgrims are bound to drink of the holy well. Tens of thousands of pilgrims continue to die of cholera at Mecca and to spread the disease elsewhere; but, so far as is known, no measures have been taken to prevent pollution, and Mecca continues to be a cholera center.

THE WORK OF THE LAWLESS.

As decaying animal and vegetable substances breed the lower forms of organic life, so do social conditions representing neglect or depression engender crime and cruelty among those who are in the nether levels. Anarchy is a natural outgrowth of enforced poverty, communism of artificiary, socialism of unjust discrimination and nihilism of tyranny, in all of which cases we find the actors those who are beneath and the intended victims the ones who are above or who control. These elements always exist wherever there is civilization and no doubt always have existed; but as a rule those who prefer the sway of law and the guiding hand of order even at the price of some penury and more drudgery have been in the majority and kept their more boisterous and troublesome neighbors in subjection—that is, in time of peace; for war is but an outbreak between nations or parts of nations in which all the elements of disorder above set out figure as a national rather than an individual or a purely local source of discord.

The desperateness of some of those who compose the organizations named has been exhibited on numerous occasions; knowing that their own lives would pay the penalty, and that too in a most summary if not cruel manner, they have not suffered themselves to be deterred from their purpose. Being delegated to murder, openly and deliberately, it is done or at least attempted. A most startling performance was that of yesterday at Barcelona, Spain, where an anarchist threw two bombs at General Campos while reviewing a military parade. The design was to slay him, but the attempt resulted only in severely wounding him, while the horse on which he rode and a bystander were killed outright and several bystanders were more or less injured. No doubt the desperado which is slain, and properly so, by the fleet but this will not discourage or even abash for a moment or an instant those who remain. On the contrary, they will consider himself as far as believers in working for this life and the things thereof may warrant, any more a martyr and go on with their plotting and bomb-making the same as though nothing unusual had happened.

We are rather afraid that two of New York's wealthiest citizens have received warnings from the assassins that their residences are to be destroyed with dynamite, one of them stating the assignment announcement, supplemented with another with the food necessary to be issued. This is not a Tammany, but one with, we think, passage in such a real indignation the perpetrator could have the other letter. We show so that the foul disturbers of the repose of the worldly energy [illegible] as a general thing without warning, we are nearly always shocked at what they have done, not by what they intended to do, and a threat out of mystery or them has rarely materialized. It is something like it used to be regarding the sec men on the frontier in the hostile days—so long as they would be seen they were not considered so dangerous, when they could not be seen was the time to look out.

The times are badly out of joint everywhere. Discontent is rife and murmurs forbode every passing breeze. Hungry men cannot be reasoned with and even where these are well-disposed and law-abiding they too often become easy converts to the wicked doctrines of the levelers. This is the chief danger; for if such societies were composed only of those who prefer business and take more delight in impurity and crime than anything else, they might be easily dealt with. It is when those who are disposed to be upright and peaceable yield to a stress of circumstances which they did not help to create and join hands with those who otherwise would be looked upon as enemies in order that the weal may by some rash and desperate means be driven from the door, that the situation assumes a perilous form which our wisdom would show itself wisest not to despise.

The world is the same socially as physically considered—uneven and irregular. Some have more than they require, others not enough, and others still tolerably well situated want to be equal to anybody else and are often led into crime and folly thereby. Perhaps, all things considered, it is no worse now than it ever was, and not much better than it will continue to be until our earth and the things thereof are no longer controlled by mortal methods nor shaped by human ingenuity, since at the best man is most imperfect.

THE PRESIDENT ARRAIGNED.

Something of a flurry was created here and we presume elsewhere throughout the country on Saturday afternoon by the telegraphic announcement that President Cleveland was today to be arraigned in the Senate on the charge of interfering with the legislative department of the government. Senator Stewart, of Nevada, figures as complainant. The specifications were not furnished and need not be; we know what they are without that trouble. Briefly stated, they amount to an indictment of the executive for using that potent argument known as distribution of patronage to induce certain solons from the path of rectitude (silver) and vote and act to suit him, whereby such members have forsaken well-known predilections in order that the power at the other end of Pennsylvania avenue might be supreme—a disaster, to put it plainly.

Senator Stewart is usually a pretty level-headed sort of man. He always knows what he is talking about and, though sometimes giving out symptoms of financial malaria, can generally give a good account of himself. But we are strongly impressed with the idea that this time his gun is not of long enough range to reach the game—this not because a majority of both branches of Congress are Mr. Cleveland's political allies, but because the charge will be a hard one to prove. The senator may believe all that he affirms, but belief is not, in this age of law and strictness, permitted to figure as evidence, and without evidence of course he has no case. Even supposing the President had done as charged—which does not sufficiently it at all appear—is it likely he would have left evidence lying around promiscuously for anybody's use? Remembering the glowing example of the sly spider intent upon a conquest of the guileless fly, would he not be more likely to invite the intended victim into his parlor where they would be unobserved and unheard, than to escort him through the streets with a brass band and a placard reading—"Here is a man that I have bought with patronage!" or adopt any other procedure leaking to publicity?

The heavy-whiskered Nevadan will have much to do to prove the bestowal of patronage as a reward for certain promised votes. He will have a still larger contract if he establishes anything like conviction. Probably he only has one real object in view, and that he will scarcely accomplish more than temporarily delay in the vote on the repeal of the Sherman law.

THE BRAZILIAN REVOLUTION.

What was hoped would prove but a nasty war with sanguinary events figuring as usual incidents, has developed into a full-orbed revolution which threatens to overturn completely the existing government of the greatest of the South American nations, Brazil. The rebels are constructively if not actually in possession of Rio de Janeiro, the metropolis and capital of the republic, and the president and presumably the entire government are in direct war with the rebels in active pursuit. The news from that quarter is necessarily frequentary and irregular; it is conjectural, but as far as it goes it shows each succeeding day with greater prominence how utterly insufficient the government is as a military power is and how strong and capable are the rebels in force.

It seems altogether probable that the allegiance to the foul scoundrel is broken certainly, if the rebels can be relied upon at all, those who are minister it are already depicted in a literal way. In the event of the empire being restored, it is given out that Prince Pedro, a grandson of the late Emperor Don Pedro, will be called to the throne. I may explain, that this report will show that, while the president and his associates are in the interior and Rio is held by the insurgent hosts, there is considerable fighting going on in the government yet. Indeed, a dispatch of a recent date shows that they intend to fight, and fight to win, but at this distance it looks very much as though they had allowed the rebellion to gain too much headway and that if success against it is gained at all it will be at the price of a long and warrisome campaign.

Brazil is the greatest in all respects of the South American nations. Its square miles it is equal to nearly all the rest of that grand division and within a few of as many as the whole of Europe, being 3,250,000, while its population is about, though perhaps a little less than, 15,000,000, and it fronts the South Atlantic ocean for a distance of 4000 miles. Necessarily much of this wonderful empire is as unknown and unpenetrated if not impenetrable wilderness; but its frontier is gradually receding and in the course of another century with enlightened and progressive rule all of it that is free from inhabitants might become populated and cultivated to some extent. Rio de Janeiro has a population of about 500,000.

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