

on throat diseases. He wrote an article some months since on the best way of preventing la grippe. The article was copied widely in this country. The disease which carried off the great doctor was superinduced by la grippe. "Physician, heal thyself" is suggested in the latter case, and "practice is better than theory" in the former. The greatest medical writers do not always make great physicians and learned lady lecturers are not frequently the best of mothers.

THE BEHRING SEA QUESTION.

THE Behring Sea question is coming to the point when it will shortly be known whether an amicable settlement can be effected. The American Commissioners recently called on Secretary Blaine to arrange preliminaries for a joint conference to be held in a few days. The work of this commission will be of an advisory character for the Board of Arbitration, which meets later on. It is agreed on by both the American and English Commissioners that destruction of the seal has been abnormally large during the past five years. But the question which promises the most serious trouble is "whether or not the seal can be exterminated by poachers who do not go into the Behring Sea at all." It is claimed that 60,000 seals can be taken during the coming season without entering the disputed marine territory. The seals make annual immigrations from the Aleutian Islands to the Behring sea. It is said that no settlement of the question can be complete that does not contemplate the habits of the little animal in this particular.

The United States Commissioners are Thomas C. Medenhall, Superintendent of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Professor C. Hart Merriam, Ornithologist of the Department of Agriculture. Both are men of national renown in scientific attainments. On the part of the British Government Sir George Smyth Baden-Powell and Dr. G. M. Dawson are the commissioners. These gentlemen are also acknowledged authorities on scientific matters.

The work prescribed for this Joint Commission was to visit the sealing grounds, and prepare from observations made the basis of fact upon which will be founded the arguments before the coming Board of Arbitration.

In this respect the gentlemen of the commission have completed one part of their mission. They have visited the open sea poaching grounds and the principal sealing islands. They even visited many of the Russian islands.

The result of their investigations will be embodied in two reports, one to Sir Julian Pauncefote by the Englishmen. These reports will serve as a fair index to the situation on which the seal question rests.

THE CITY ELECTION.

THE figures showing the results of the election will be found in another part of this paper. The "Liberals" have the city offices with the exception of three Councilmen from the Third Precinct, who are straight Democrats. Baskin ran behind his ticket, showing that some of the "Liberals" have a little self-respect; Janney ran nearly as much ahead.

The Republicans polled as many votes as the most sanguine of their leaders anticipated, and more than doubled their total of last fall. Wells and Kimball ran ahead of their ticket, personal popularity being the cause. Republicans will feel encouraged at their increase, but it has been gained at the surrender of the Fourth Precinct to the "Liberals."

The straight Democratic vote in the city is large, and the organ of the party speaks jubilantly of the prospects which it heralds. Nearly three thousand votes for the party ticket, while so many professing Democrats were on the "Liberal" ticket, indicate the tendency of local politics and what will be the party situation when "Liberalism" is no more.

There was considerable scratching on all the tickets, the "Liberal" candidates being overhauled the worst by far. It is a matter of surprise that more voters who have the interest of the city at heart, and who desire to see an improvement in business affairs, did not revolt from the rule of the "Liberal" bosses and take a stand for the public welfare.

The election has given further proofs of the necessity of purging the registration lists. Many hundreds of names still stand there of persons who are not now to be found. How many of the borders that have been brought into the city by the "Liberals" for election purposes represented these dead names, it is impossible now to state. The hard looking crowds that have thronged the streets for some days past, strangers to those who know the city best, have been subject of common surprise and no little disgust.

The vigilance of both Democrats and Republicans, in detecting some of the ruffians who have been retained for election purposes, and paid out of the pockets of the tax-payers so that they might roll up votes for the

"Liberal" ticket, so far as it went is worthy of commendation.

The tactics that were resorted to for the purpose of thwarting this detection of fraud, were those which have been usual with the "Liberal" combination and are familiar to its leader. They are contemptible in the eyes of all just people, and it will not be long before they will be condemned by the majority of our citizens and the authors of the infamy will be utterly despised.

The great object in view of the "Liberal" leaders is to make use of the election returns as an argument against giving any measure of political liberty to Utah. And numbers of business men, whose interest it is to have this Territory emancipated from political bondage, foolishly render aid to the conspirators who profit by keeping it in chains!

However, the purposes of the "Liberal" faction, the means it has employed to seize the reins of local power, the selfish ends it has in view, the misrepresentation of facts and motives in which it indulges, the mean and cowardly weapons which it wields, are becoming very well understood at the seat of government. And this success, no matter how much consequence that faction may attach to it, is not likely to accomplish the ignoble object for which it was designed.

"OUTRAGES."

THE "Liberal" organ has the impudence to allude to the successful endeavors of election officers in the Fourth precinct to prevent fraud, as outrages, and to berate the News for "justifying" them. Among the actual outrages were those perpetrated by the "Liberal" bosses and their tools in importing transients and ruffians into that precinct, and trying to force their illegal votes into the ballot box. Another outrage was the attempt to overawe the election judges, who were simply doing their duty, by engaging a gigantic "tough" to assault Arthur Brown, but who instead struck Rulon S. Wells a violent blow and was promptly cased by Arthur Pratt. Another outrage was the supplying of rowdy illegal voters with intoxicants, that they might become reckless and seek by violence to accomplish what they had been prevented from doing by fair means. Another and, if possible, viler outrage is the regret expressed by the "Liberal" organ that there was not "some wholesale killing" done by the gang employed to steal the Fourth precinct. It says they were "justified in forming a mob."