

etc., claiming that the final s which fixes the plural number should be at the end of a word, not in the middle of it. Strange to say, the *World*, usually so correct and accurate, is astray on this proposition. A compound is neither one nor two words, hence the plural in such cases attaches to the noun proper, not to the qualification of it, and the end of the term does not figure. In "Postmaster-General" the noun is the first division of the compounded word, or "Postmaster," the latter part, or "General," being merely descriptive of or qualifying the noun and in its singular position qualifying either the singular or plural noun, whichever may precede it. The proper style is therefore "Postmasters-General," as the *Tribune* had it. "Deputies-marshal" or "majors-general" would be wrong for the same reason, that the qualitative instead of the substantive was pluralized. This does not change the fact that the *World* is a great paper, however.

OBSTACLES IN THE WAY.

WE NOTICED, a few days ago, the incorporation of the Utah Western Railroad Company and the object of its projectors. Application has been made to the City Council for right of way through certain streets of the city on the route of the road toward the Hot Springs. This has aroused many of the residents of the Sixteenth and Nineteenth wards to inquiry as to the probable effects upon their property of a railroad through the streets designated. Some opposition has already been developed and there is a prospect of further difficulty.

We shall be sorry if any conflict arises between the new company and the people in the district that will be affected by the passage of the railroad through the streets on which they reside. The City Council will, no doubt, consider the interests of all parties and their bearing upon the welfare of the whole city. Although one section may be specially concerned in an enterprise of this character, yet the entire community is to some extent affected by it, and the good of the whole must be held in view.

Unnecessary obstacles should not be placed in the way of enterprising men and companies, when public improvements are projected and measures are devised to give employment to labor. At the same time, of course, private rights must not be interfered with and prop-

erty must not be damaged with impunity. Part of the district from which complaints are arising is already pretty badly cut up with railroad tracks, and to still further occupy it with railroads seems a reasonable cause of dissatisfaction.

However, we think the matter can be amicably arranged, if the gentlemen interested in the new road and some representatives of the people in the section named will get together and talk the matter over, like friends, all desirous of doing good and not injury to any one. This we believe to be the proper way and the most satisfactory. There are at least two sides to every question, and both should be heard before any decision is arrived at over a dispute.

Would it not be well for the Sixteenth and Nineteenth Warders who are disturbed over the probable occupation of streets by another railroad, thus leaving none in a certain section free from such occupation, to confer with the leading spirit of this enterprise, hear his reasons and explain their objections, and also offer suggestions as to a change of route? This, we think, would be better than any more extreme measures, and it may lead to a settlement of the difficulty. Better try it.

THE WORK BEFORE US.

THE large attendance and general good feeling at the People's primaries, augurs well for the August election. Between this date and the Convention days the delegates will have time to inform themselves of the wishes of the people in regard to candidates for office. Citizens who have preferences or objections should speak of them, freely, to the men who are to represent them in the conventions. It is desirable that the tickets which will be framed shall be composed of names that will be acceptable to at least the great majority of the members of the People's Party.

The men selected for office should be such as will excite no reasonable opposition. Fitness should be the first consideration. But the predilections and prejudices of the voters must also be kept in view. A strong and united vote is the great object, for that means the election of the People's Ticket, and the installation in office of men who will represent THE PEOPLE and not a faction of the community.

Great care ought to be exercised by the County Conventions so that

wise and practical men shall be selected for the county offices, who will seek the common welfare and strive to build up and develop the country in a conservative and not a speculative spirit.

In the Representative and Council District Conventions no less care, but if anything even greater diligence and caution should be exercised, so that men shall be selected for the Legislature who will be competent to frame or pass upon measures that will stand the test of popular action, executive administration and judicial scrutiny. To make laws for the locality which will be in harmony with existing territorial and congressional legislation, and which will be adapted to our present needs and those of the immediate future, requires judgment, experience and good sense.

The task of selecting such men from the body of our citizens is an important one, and the delegates elected to perform it ought to begin at once to ponder upon it and not leave everything to the days when the conventions meet.

We look for more than common interest in the General Election in August next. The unwonted efforts of the adversary form a stimulus to the People's Party. Opposition provokes energy. The dread of the consequences of so-called "Liberal" rule should of itself be sufficient to unite all the members of the People's Party and call out every vote on election day. Such samples of it as have been seen in this Territory are sufficient. They are warnings enough. Every man who desires the welfare, peace and prosperity of Utah should labor assiduously to prevent any such catastrophe as "Liberal" domination of public affairs. This will be utterly impossible even with the frauds intended by "Liberal" strikers and tricksters if the People's Party are on the alert and come out on election day and do their duty.

We believe there will be a big vote, and that the returns will show a most striking victory for the party of peace, order, sobriety, economy, honesty and good government. Let every voting citizen try to make it so.

REJECTING THE MESSAGE.

A SHORT time since the News gave the particulars of the banishment from the counties of Darlington and Chesterfield of Elders Chidester and Burgess. The action