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RALLY TONIGHT!

It devolves upon the patriotic people of Salt Lake City to show tonight their earnestness in the political contest now waging for supremacy in this city, and their determination to free themselves of oppression, incompetence and disgrace in municipal government. Their presence in force at the Theater this evening will be at once a ratification of the nonpolitical movement for their deliverance, and an endorsement of the representative men named to lead the cohorts of reform. It will also be a warning to those who are responsible for the city's present unhappy state, and who are pledged to a continuation of the policy now condemned, that in the voice of an outraged community there is might, and in its united action irresistible strength. Within the limits of Salt Lake City there are enough honest voters who feel the burden of existing abuses to fill the Theater from orchestra to roof ten times over. It is their duty, as it ought to be their pleasure, to turn out tonight and every other night when our wrongs are to be ventilated and a program of correction discussed. This is preparatory to the other turning out on election day, and the consequent turning out of those who in office have disgraced their constituents. Such gatherings will carry dismay to the best organized opposition, and an enemy welcomed in two-thirds whipped. Tonight's rally ought to be such as to convince the opposing forces that whether they stand in the way or out of the way, the Citizens' Independent movement has started out for straight, square, unalloyed and uninterrupted victory!

GOING TO PIECES.

The Liberals of Ogden have just decided, through a duly constituted committee, to make no nominations. This means that the party has definitely and emphatically dissolved, the elements returning to their normal conditions; for, as political revolutions at least are not wont to go backward, it will not only be difficult but practically impossible to draw the forces from their present alignment and again marshal them in fighting array. It is the tendency of the times to support one or another of the national organizations wherever political issues arise, so our Ogden friends have only done what was natural and inevitable.

As to which of the old parties will be the gainer by the Liberal disintegration, we have to live and no particular concern. Probably there will be found not a very great difference numerically between them, and this view would seem to be upheld by the anxiety of the cabal made to either side and unlimited consideration. However, as to that we shall soon know; in the meantime it is a cause of sincere congratulation to all the good people of that southern and thriving city as well as to those of the country around them, and the news is hardly so treated.

The Liberals of this city seem less upon one more capital, but that is either disastrous to them some about as well assured as any thing yet to come was so. The party is up to mischief as usual without a superior back in the community to the contrary, even with the advantage against them the Liberals are still quite numerous and it will require amazing vigilance with the use of every legitimate resource to make the conquest of them complete. We wish they were as far advanced in the political scale as their Ogden brethren and willing to assume a position against conditions which live only in the past. There are many good citizens, upright businessmen, honest taxpayers and estimable people in the aggregate of Liberals who can see that standing out against their respective national affiliations when even if they should win now it would be for the last time, and that further advantage and more them to be lower down more and more as dissatisfaction is not recognized. What has to be done in that regard might as well be done this year as next. The conditions and opportunities will not likely be more favorable then than now, and it is much better to quit with naught but victories to their credit than to go down at last in defeat. Surely the acquisition of a few paltry offices, even if such result were assured, is not a sufficient justification for prolonging the life of an antinational organization which has been repudiated by the supreme court of both parties and whose membership has received scoriff and humiliation in consequence thereof when they might have held honored place.

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The situation at Washington for two or three weeks has been most ventilating. One day a compromise measure has been agreed on and was to be presented within a short time; the next, the tolerant gentleman at the other end of the avenue has again placed the crushing weight of his veto upon the scheme and nothing but sober repeal is adorned by promises for the future and unhampered by issues of the past which is contained for a moment. Within twenty-four hours thereafter we had swung around the circle once more and got back to the splitting-the-difference basis.

It was not a very pretty quarrel as it stood. It was, on the contrary, a contest which has made sad havoc of one feature of our national reputation. If out of the middle some good might come, if the snags against which the legislative craft has drifted might be removed so that hereafter the Senate will not consume three months on an measure that should not occupy more than three days, there would be some sort of satisfaction coming from it all as a result, but as such promise is less not.

It seems now that the end of the present struggle at least is at hand. The silver advocates from the South have decided to quit and without their help the Northern to sustaining the struggle against repeal. It is a matter of regret that the conclusion was not reached through the judgment and careful consideration of those by whom it comes, but rather through natural though unfortunate causes. A man holding on by his fingers to the brink of a precipice lets go some time, not because his reason favors such a thing, but because he can't do anything else. That ends the suspense and brings things to a conclusion in his case, with the chances favoring the proposition that it is an undesirable if not a painful one. In this case, however, the fall may not be so great as the holding as hard as a good many expect it will be.

A MILITARY CHURCH.

Word comes from San Francisco that the Catholic temperance society known as The League of the Cross is to be made into a military organization. The avowed object is to "stimulate and hold the interest of the boys and to keep constantly before their minds the thought of patriotism and their duty to the Stars and Stripes." The League itself is made up of boys who have been confirmed in the Catholic church, but only those who are at least five feet four inches in height can be enrolled in the military organization. The intention is to establish a company in every parish and thus form a considerable regiment. Rev. Father Yorke is very much interested in the matter, it is said, and so are other reverend gentlemen. The church buildings will be used as armories where no special place for these purposes can be obtained easily.

It is just as well to make a note of this. Possibly the full significance of the step taken is not yet apparent. It does not look exactly right when an ecclesiastical organization resolves itself into a military corps in order to stimulate patriotism in boys five feet and four inches tall. One would think that to an effort to gain this most laudable object the question of religion ought to be left out altogether, since the country to be lower is but one, although the churches may be legion. A fine spectacle would it be if all the other churches and no church people were to don military uniforms. There would be no more soldiers of the country, but Catholic soldiers, Lutheran soldiers, Methodist soldiers, Baptist soldiers, agnostic soldiers, etc. A possible consequence would be that the government would have to maintain a war army to prevent all these infantry from killing each other at times. The Church militant is well known, but rarely in any such manner of the word.

TREATMENT FOR OUR NAVY.

Our white squadron has work so to boast that was not altogether expected when the ships were built. The situation of the so Zanzibar is such as to compel the presence of two or three vessels of the United States, and more recently Honolulu has been carrying on in such a way as to require some heavy for assistance of the navy department at Washington. It seems that the Adams, which some time ago was hurried from San Francisco to Samoan, thence to Callao because of the unofficial proceedings in Nicaragua, thence to Callao because of the unofficial proceedings of things in Peru, and then again to Corinto on account of Nicaraguan affairs remaining this it and the northern coast, by twenty days dispatched to San Jose, the capital of Costa Rica, and now to Honolulu, will be ordered to Samoa, to Zanzibar, to Nicaragua, to Peru, to Corinto, to Honolulu, and back