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REGISTERING WOMEN VOTERS.

The decision given at Ogden Saturday afternoon, by Judge H. W. Smith, stating that female citizens are qualified to vote on the State Constitution and for State officers, may be disagreed with by some and applauded by others, from a legal point of view. But regardless of individual opinions as to what should or should not be, it is now decided by a court that women have the right to register and vote at the coming election on State questions. That is the basis upon which registrars and citizens must now proceed, at least until the ruling is reversed—a presumption which wisdom suggests should not be made in advance of its actually taking place.

This being the situation, it is proper for all to realize that now that women are eligible as voters it is their duty under the solemn obligations of citizenship to register and perform their part at the ballot box; there should be no holding back, but each woman should feel as being placed in that position where she can exercise the full powers of citizenship—in having her name on the registration list.

The qualifications for registration are plainly stated in the law. A woman must be over 21 years of age, a citizen, and must have resided in the Territory one year. As to citizenship, every woman of the required age who is native born or has been naturalized, or who is the wife of a citizen, either native born or naturalized, is a citizen of the United States, and under the ruling of the court is entitled to register and vote.

In the interest of the Territory and its future, there should be no backwardness or unnecessary delay in citizens placing themselves in a situation to exercise the elective franchise. All should take an active interest in securing good, wise government that will be thoroughly representative of and for the benefit of the people. There is no citizen who can be considered above or outside of the obligation to do that much as a loyal and patriotic American, male or female. If good men and women stand back and let the coarser elements manipulate and exercise all the powers of government, they will not be free from blame for pernicious effects that follow. The way to secure good government is for reputable, high-minded citizens to make their power felt in a firm and dignified manner, above the petty spirit of factional fights or unworthy agitation. By the court's ruling, the good women of this Territory may unite with the good men in inaugurating a regime of pure and patriotic official control in the new State. May they exercise a potent force in the accomplishment of this purpose!

GLADSTONE AND THE TURK.

The vigorous speech of Mr. Gladstone a few days ago, on the Armenian question—an address in which the whole civilized world listened with intense attention, notwithstanding the eighty-five years of the orator—is now followed by a solemn warning that may well be taken for a prophetic utterance. A Turk of rank accuses Mr. Gladstone of making statements based on hearsay evidence alone, which, he claims, is the true cause of the enmity between the eastern people, resulting in bloodshed, raising political difficulties and withholding from the Turks "liberty and reviews." To this contrite presentation of the case, Mr. Gladstone solemnly replies:

I make no charges against the Turks at large, but against the Turkish government, and I make charges of which they have been proved guilty by public authority. In my opinion, I have been far too lenient to the Turkish empire than its errors and its attributes. I have always recommended the granting of reasonable powers to local enlightenment, which would have saved it from horrible losses. This good advice was scorned, and in consequence Turkey lost 5,000,000 of people and may lose more. They weigh these words.

The grand old man exhibits all the fire and enthusiasm that characterized his famous denunciations of the Turkish atrocities in Bulgaria, and if the men who are responsible for the affairs in Turkey were capable of impressions, they would tremble for the consequences of disregarding the sentiments of which he is a most able and authoritative exponent. But they are almost blind in certain directions.

The trouble with the Turks is that they consider all Europe the enemy of themselves, their faith and their prophet. They rely on fate for their protection as long as they remain true in some measure to their peculiar tenets, regardless of the state of moral degeneracy upon which they hang age entered. The whole body politic of the Ottoman empire suffer from a diseased imagination, in which that institution occupies a most exalted position in the picture, while all other nations are "dogs" and "unbelievers," already doomed. This is the whole secret of the Turkish government's everlasting hypocrisy in diplomacy and the never ceasing oppression of a large portion of its subjects. This is also one of the chief causes of its defiant attitude to Europe. The Sublime Porte relies on Heaven for assistance to continue the cruel oppression.

There is only one remedy for this evil—the complete separation of the Christians from the rule of the sultan. The locality is large enough for a Christian state and a Mohammedan empire, and inasmuch as the trouble is essentially a religious one, no measures that fail to recognize this fact will ever settle the vexed eastern question satisfactorily or permanently.

The Turkish empire as now constituted is essentially a parasite, living on the fruits of the labor of conquered nations, wrung from them by means no longer recognized in the civilized world. Every Turk should consider himself enlisted to an official position in which he may live at ease at the expense of others. This must be changed. The Christians ask for liberty to enjoy the fruits of their own labor and to join the general march of progress, from which they are now barred. When their request is granted and guaranteed by Europe, and the Turks left to work out their own salvation as best they can, the Orient will enter upon a period of peace.

DOES ELECTRICITY KILL?

The question whether electricity as applied in the fatal chair really kills has been submitted to two of the highest authorities living—Thomas A. Edison and Nikola Tesla. These two differ on some important points and also on this subject. The latter is said to have had a current of 250,000 volts pass through his body without injury, while a voltage of only 1,700 has been applied at Sing Sing.

Mr. Edison explains the deadly effect of a low voltage. He says that unless a current has a certain volume it might have a pressure of 100,000 or even 1,000,000 volts and yet be almost harmless. With 1,700 volts and a volume of two amperes, death is certain to result almost instantly. Mr. Tesla's current was only a fraction of an ampere and hence not strong enough to cause injury. To illustrate: A blow with a knitting needle, or several blows frequently repeated, would not kill a person, while a single blow with an iron bar an inch in diameter might prove fatal. For the same reason, electricity, in order to kill, must have a sufficient volume as voltage.

Mr. Edison said there is no question as to the instantaneous death of the victims in the electric chair. About thirty firemen are killed every year. Those touch the fatal wire only for a second, are partially protected by their clothing, and often receive a current at a lower voltage than is employed for executions, at which every precaution is taken to make a perfect contact.

As Tesla declined to talk for publication, the opinion of Edison will have to stand until actual experiments are undertaken with a view of ascertaining the fact of the matter—whether criminals in the electric chair died there or under the scalpels of the doctors who conducted the autopsy.

PROGRESS OF AMERICAN SHIPPING

There has been considerable said of late regarding the great ships finished on this side of the ocean for the Atlantic mercantile traffic. The words of commendation have been very acceptable, but a position of justifiable pride in American shipping will not have been reached until the United States shall construct a vastly larger proportion than is now the case. The following tabular statement, from *Lloyd's Register*, gives the present position of American shipping in relation to that of the other leading nations, vessels of less than 100 tons not included:

	No. Vessels	Tonnage
United Kingdom	13,000	12,000,000
British Colonies	3,000	2,000,000
Germany	1,500	1,500,000
Norway	1,500	1,000,000
France	1,000	1,000,000
Italy	1,000	1,000,000
United States	4,000	4,000,000

It is shown in this table that, while Great Britain owns over 50 per cent of the total world's aggregate of 24,500,000 tons, the United States owns only in its mercantile marine but a little over 2,000,000 tons, or 8 per cent of the whole. The New Orleans *Times-Democrat*, having made an inquiry into the matter, states that, although we have been building some very fine merchant vessels the last few years—vessels hardly surpassed by anything afloat—we are not building more of them than make up for the loss occasioned by shipwrecks and by the natural ravages of time. As a consequence, in spite of our fine new vessels, we are depending more and more every year on the foreigner to help us carry our commerce, or, if we are more correct to say, to carry our commerce for us. Fifty years ago our foreign commerce was valued at only $270,000,000, now it exceeds, including it coastwise both import and exports, to over $1,000,000,000. In 1840, 89.2 per cent of our foreign commerce (exports and imports) was carried in American bottoms; in the years just ended American vessels were equal to the transportation of only 15.5 per cent of that commerce. These figures do not display that progress in the American shipping interest which could be exhibited in a country with such vast resources, energies, population and increasing traffic as the United States possesses.

EDITORS COMING.

The editors of Wisconsin will be in Utah in a couple of weeks on their twelve-day trip to the West. They will leave Chicago on August 22, reaching this city the western limit of their tour. The members of the Utah Press association have arranged to honor or guests their Wisconsin brethren of the quill, and may rest assured that the public will give to the visitors a lively welcome which will fix their trip here in memory as one of the most pleasant of their annual outings. The outline of the journey is thus stated to a contributor received from O. F. Rossler, secretary of the Wisconsin Press association:

The trip will be from Chicago to Salt Lake via the "Burlington Route," Denver and Rio Grande, and Rio Grande & Western. Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Glenwood Springs, Leadville, the Gunnison country, Black Canyon, and Salt Lake are some of the very interesting points to be visited.

It is safe to say that the young Florida man, Dwyer, who, a couple of weeks ago, became a widower, is now disappointed beyond expression. His wife was a duchess with an estimated wealth of a million and a half. Only last winter she attained the goodly age of 73 years. During her stay in Florida she met young Dwyer who became so impressed with the old lady's wealth, probably, that he succeeded in become her husband. The story is silent as to the domestic happiness, or unhappiness, resulting from the union between December and April, as novelists sometimes put it, but the trend of the narrative is again taken up on the solemn event of the opening of the will of the deceased wife. It was found that she had left to her beloved husband "the sum of ten dollars and no more."

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