

without the forms of law. Now and then order was had, but only at short intervals, and the balloting that followed was done amid the greatest confusion, without any regard to the legality of the votes cast, the chair refusing to order a division of the house when more than one-half of the people present demanded it. The ballots were gathered in hats in the crowd, amid jostling and yells, and whether registered or not, any one known to be a "Liberal" could deposit his vote, while many known to be of the People's Party were denied the privilege, though they had their ballots in their hands and endeavored to cast them. The vote on the first trustee was declared on this procedure to be: "Liberal," 62; People, 59. On the vote for a second trustee, the "Liberals" had 40, and the People were by the manner of voting cut down to 25.

During the proceedings Mr. Sharp rose to a point of order, informing the chair that the law required that the officers, among whom the chairman was numbered, must be elected by ballot and not by acclamation, and reminded the chair that the election of officers could not go on until a permanent organization, which as yet had not been had, was effected in the manner prescribed by law. He appealed to Mr. Williams, as a lawyer, as to the correctness of his position. That gentleman admitted that the law sustained Mr. Sharp's position, but held that as heretofore at similar meetings the custom had been to elect the chair by acclamation, the order adopted was strictly legal.

Mr. Sharp, in answering the chair, said his memory did not serve him as to the manner in which previous gatherings of the kind had been conducted, but held that, as heretofore, no opposition at all had exerted itself, and on account of the inability of any one to decide justly amid the disorder that obtained, he insisted that the action of the meeting in the choice of chairman be ascertained by ballot and that a division of the house be had on the ballots cast.

Yells and confusion followed, and the chair ruled that as it had been customary to elect by acclamation, a reconsideration of what had been done could not be had. The balloting went on amid hisses and yells, and general disorder and confusion, the chairman sometimes standing on a chair, at other times on the table, entirely unable to cope with the situation.

By way of adding variety to the scene the voice of Lawyer Burmester was heard declaiming in tragic demoniacal tones some lines from Shakespeare. Then he roared like a wild man, and could only be stilled by Mr. Williams putting his mouth to Mr. Burmester's ear. This, during the evening, was repeated with the same remarkable effect, Mr. Burmester each time seating himself and becoming gentle as the unweaned lamb.

The result of these outrageous proceedings was the alleged election of Mr. J. A. Wiscomb and Mr. Hartenstein as trustees, and compen-

sating the outgoing trustees, Messrs. Oliver Hodgson and Chas. Wright, also Mr. Puzey, whose term runs another year, in fifty dollars each for their past services.

An adjournment having been taken, the "Liberal" element withdrew amid whoops and yells, and the members of the People's Party remained, inviting their friends of the opposition to join them, and proceeded to elect officers and hear the report of the trustees. This was done with characteristic good order, Mr. James Sharp being elected chairman of the meeting and Mr. D. R. Lyon secretary. Balloting for trustees was proceeded with, resulting in the election of Messrs. D. R. Lyon and Edgar Howe, respectively for the three and two years terms, the People's vote being 65.

The report of the trustees was read and adopted, and a hearty vote of thanks accorded to Mr. Hodgson, one of the outgoing trustees, for the efficient manner in which he had performed the duties of the office.

FIFTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

This district embraces the Twenty-first Ward. The People had 85 voters present, and the "Liberals" 35. W. J. Tuddenham was the People's nominee, and W. E. Smedley was the "Liberal" selection. The supporters of the latter asked that their man be elected as a minority candidate, but this was not granted.

AT OGDEN.

The meeting for school election and financial business was held in the Tabernacle and was well attended. Trustee Scowcroft called the meeting to order.

The financial report of the trustees for the year ending June 30, 1889, was presented and after animated discussion referred to a committee of three—H. H. Rolapp, J. H. Knaus and L. B. Adams.

After some disorderly proceedings regarding business affairs, an adjournment was had till this evening, after which the body reconvened for the purpose of electing a trustee. Joseph Stanford was nominated for chairman by the People and H. W. Smith by the "Liberals." On a *viva voce* vote the former was declared elected, but a division was demanded, the "Liberals" taking first one position and then another in the hope of accomplishing a point. After a regular pandemonium, in which the aid of a deputy marshal was called in by the "Liberals" to support the usurpatory proceedings of what should be characterized as an unprincipled mob, the meeting got to a ballot for trustee, the vote standing—For Ransford Smith, "Liberal," 341, for John Scowcroft, People's, 340. One Heywood, recently chosen city attorney, took occasion to say during the din, that "Ogden is getting to be the Kansas of the Rockies," and it looked, from the part he took, as though a revival of border ruffianism would be very congenial to him and his clan. It was a disgraceful piece of business and the "Liberals" are solely to

blame for it; whether they fairly won the election or not will probably never be known.

MURRAY.

At the Murray district, Salt Lake County, John Gordon, "Liberal" received 66 votes, to 25 for Wm. Atwood, People's.

SANDY.

At Sandy the People elected E. L. Rosengreen by 48 votes, against 45 for L. F. Wells, the "Liberal" candidate.

BRIGHTON.

In this district there was no opposition to the People's Party, which elected Wm. Langford.

PRIESTHOOD MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the Priesthood of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion convened in the Assembly Hall on Saturday, July 6, at 11 a.m. Prayer was offered by Elder Joseph Horne. Counselor Charles W. Penrose announced that President Angus M. Cannon was detained at another meeting but would probably arrive later.

All the Wards of the Stake were properly represented excepting the Fifth, Eighth and Twelfth Wards of the City, and the Sugar House, Mountain Dell, Draper, Bluff Dale and Brighton Wards.

The Second, Third, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Eighteenth Quorums of Elders failed to respond to the roll call.

President Charles W. Penrose reported that Bishop James Watson of the Nineteenth Ward had passed away since the last Priesthood meeting. The speaker referred to the deceased in the highest terms, and said that his loss would be keenly felt by us, his family, immediate friends, and many others. He had done a good work here, but had now gone behind the veil where a greater work awaited him and he will have a much wider field to operate in than he had here. He has gone to mingle with his brethren of the Priesthood, and our loss is his infinite gain.

Brother Penrose then spoke of the sin of Sabbath-breaking, and the flagrant outrage perpetrated on the community by the keeping up of shows and exhibitions at a certain resort, and trying to decoy the young and unthinking from the path of rectitude and sobriety. There is a law on the Statute Books against such performances on Sunday, and if the officers will wink at these things where they are committed and not do their duty, the community should take some proper steps to see if these evils cannot be eradicated.

He urged upon the Bishops to see that greater care and attention are paid to their flocks than usual, especially now as the ungodly are striving with all the power they possess to lead the young astray. If the Teachers and Lesser Priesthood generally will perform their duty as they should there need not be much occasion for mention of these things in public. Here is a great field for