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THE POPULAR LOCAL TOPIC.

The bill to give the people of Utah the right to elect their local officers is naturally causing a great deal of discussion.

But violent general denunciations of the scheme, usually upon the men who are credited with its preparation, attempt to make it appear as if "Liberal" origin, and all the rest and nothing that certain "Liberal" influence in because of their hostility to anything that does not promise to further their ends, are virtually arguments in favor of the proposition.

We cannot say we are not in any manner over this half-way measure of political liberty. We agree, in the main, with the sentiments of both Republicans and Democrats as well as some conservative "Liberals" that statehood would be preferable to this unhappy form of partial legislation.

However, we are not urging statehood at present. Although we believe that in every respect, without a single exception, the Territory is fully entitled to admission and a bill for the territorial bills and duties of a several states, we are aware of the prejudices that exist, and the doubts that linger in the popular mind, and we are in no hurry to press the claims of Utah upon Congress of the country.

But this bill does not mean statehood. It does not liberate the Territory from that "Mormon" control which "Liberals" at home and anti-"Mormons" abroad allege to be necessary. It simply gives the voting citizens of Utah power to elect the officers of the Territory who are now appointed without their choice or consent.

Supporting the bill should pass, which we think very unlikely, would be the results in the "Mormon" population of the Territory? Would the Church be given any more power than it possesses today? If so we cannot see what it would be.

It is a measure, largely because it is a good chance to it to hold control of the Territory and shape it for a Democratic State. We believe the "Liberals" are so violently opposed to it and interpreted it so flagrant, because they see in it the certain end of their faction, without delay, in a territorial election they hold so prominently. They could not elect a single officer. They would have to divide and their organization would be crippled.

If the opponents of statehood who have their objections on the ground that Federal control of the Territory must not at present be relinquished were sincere, they would hold this bill with delight. For, while it gives to the people some semblance to a republican form of government, it yet leaves the National Government all the "Mormon" control, the "absolute sovereignty," and the right to make such "rules and regulations respecting the Territory" which it is claimed is vested in the Federal power by the Constitution.

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stupid assertions, and we are weary of the late his boasts in saying anything about it. It is not worth the trouble to call on what the Church intend to do, what is the "face" of this bill and how other folks can discover the truth, also where the "Mormon" and the "Liberals" are to be found.

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The whole issue arises is a matter of principle. It is not a matter of expediency. It is not a matter of expediency. It is not a matter of expediency. It is not a matter of expediency.

WORKING FOR THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

MILWAUKEE is working hard to get the National Democratic Convention. It is a matter of principle. It is not a matter of expediency.

Theological idea that all the members be arrayed in cream-colored gowns and veils is now abandoned. It was thought that as Milwaukee is a city of the future, it should have a delegation from there arrayed in cream hand garments would be appropriate.

THE LATE KHEDIVE OF EGYPT.

A DEPARTURE last night announced the death from influenza of the Khedive of Egypt, Tewfik Pasha.

It was a striking time for Egypt when Tewfik Pasha accepted the responsibility of a Khedive. Egypt had been brought to the verge of bankruptcy and the European powers demanded satisfactory security for the loans they were to advance.

INCREASE IN REVENUES.

In the matter of revenue the new year has led to a relief of the producers. In Chicago it opened with a visit in which several hundred persons were involved, and in which the police were severely handled.

AN EXHIBITION OF FOLLY.

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1862. And he killed himself in one of the forts. There was no other chance of getting out of the hands of the beautiful city. This was done. And he, too, was again attacked by British and East India troops at Tel-el-Kebir, where he made a brief defense, but was overpowered and captured.

It is to be regretted that England, having once assumed the responsibility of a protector over Egypt, did not take energetic steps to relieve the situation, which would have been accomplished had Gordon Pasha not been left to his deplorable fate in Khartoum.

The death of the Khedive will be the cause of many political movements on the diplomatic chessboard, so far as the Orient is concerned. The western powers, jealous of each other, will not dole out the Egyptian throne to the inhabitants in different ways.

GRUBS THE REBEL.

The New York Herald has the following biographical sketch of Grubs, the man who was so much in the news along the Rio Grande border, both in the United States and Mexico.

Grubs was born in a poor family in the State of Mexico, and was reared at Brownsville, Tex., where, in his boyhood, he received a fair education, although he was not well fitted for it.

THE NICHOLAS CANAL.

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