

## OGDEN ELECTION.

The result of the municipal contest in Ogden February 9th was a substantial victory for the Citizens' ticket, the Liberal candidates for Mayor, four Councilmen and two justices of the peace having been defeated. The greatest interest seems to have centered upon the Mayoralty, the fight for which was not only earnest and intense, but in some of its phases quite interesting. It began to look rather blue for the Citizens an hour or so before the closing of the polls, and some of the more jubilant "Liberals" were offering immense odds on their success with few, if any, takers. The methods resorted to by the "gang," as it was called, while not altogether new to the political arena, were nevertheless about as reprehensible as anything of the kind ever practiced in the country, one illustration of this being the numerous cases of illegal voting, the offenders in every instance being "heelers" or hirelings of the "Liberal" party or some of its managers. The active part taken by the saloon element in the canvass, and the arrest of the proprietor of the Novelty Theatre (a resort with a most unsavory reputation) together with the latter individual's arrest on the charge of bribery and his immediate release through the assistance of the whisky element, would seem to show conclusively about the standard of morality which the "Liberals" possessed and relied upon to carry them through safely. It is no open secret, but an open fact, that the "tough" element was almost to a man for that party, and that nearly the entire strength of the opposition consisted of men not noted as saloon frequenters and standing high in the community as commercial, professional or industrial citizens. This very nearly tells the whole tale and gives a reasonably fair idea of what a desperate struggle the law-and-order people had on their hands, while it faintly illustrates the importance of the result and the gratification of those who achieved it.

One incident out of many similar related to us we deem worthy of mention. As Sheriff Belknap was on his way to the county jail with a prisoner charged with illegal voting, he was intercepted by a "special officer" acting ostensibly in the interest of good order, but in reality for the furtherance of the "Liberal" programme, the latter demanding of the sheriff that he release his prisoner. This insolence was met by the officer with an outburst of defiance, he ordering the other to "clear out," or he would be arrested too. The "clearing" took place instantly, but the disgruntled "Liberal" went before a Commissioner and swore out a complaint against the sheriff for intimidating voters! He was released on his own recognizance, and instructed by a lawyer present to make a counter-complaint against the deputy for obstructing an officer in the discharge of his duty.

The good people of our sister city are satisfied with their work, and the News heartily congratulates them upon it.

The Citizens, as stated, carried the majority and elected four councilmen and two justices of the peace. Following are the tabulated returns:

## CITIZENS' TICKET.

NAME.	1st Ward.	2nd Ward.	3rd Ward.	4th Ward.	5th Ward.	Total.	Majority.
Mayor—							
W. H. Turner....	265	268	257	400	306	1496	18
Recorder—							
John S. Corlew..	219	234	237	365	288	1373	....
Treasurer—							
O. P. Jennings..	243	222	232	358	276	1329	....
Collector—							
E. T. Hulaniski..	255	248	239	274	286	1402	....
Marshal—							
George Buck....	222	210	223	328	254	1239	....
Total.							Maj.
1st Ward, Council, W. W. Funge....	258						—
1st Ward, Council, B. E. Dean.....	236						—
1st Ward, Justice, B. Ternes.....	233						—
2nd Ward, Council, Frank W. Ooburn	224						—
2nd Ward, Council, H. C. Hartog....	227						—
2nd Ward, Justice, I. Williamson....	221						—
3rd Ward, Council, Thomas D. Dee....	225						87
3rd Ward, Council, H. W. Shurtliff....	204						73
3rd Ward, Justice, Levi Billings....	225						99
4th Ward, Council, John Hurst.....	346						—
4th Ward, Council, W. S. Stone.....	355						—
4th Ward, Justice, H. O. Wardleigh....	352						—
5th Ward, Council, Frank J. Cannon....	393						42
5th Ward, Council, James A. Calvert....	278						15
5th Ward, Justice, O. B. Fash.....	287						31

## LIBERAL TICKET.

NAME.	1st Ward.	2nd Ward.	3rd Ward.	4th Ward.	5th Ward.	Total.	Majority.
Mayor—							
J. W. McNutt....	351	466	98	313	251	1479	....
Recorder—							
Thos. Bryan....	374	504	117	348	270	1613	240
Collector—							
Richard J. Hume	366	489	115	341	278	1589	182
Treasurer—							
W. V. Helfrich...	378	512	122	365	282	1659	330
Marshal—							
J. W. Metcalf....	395	526	124	384	303	1732	493
Total.							Maj.
First Ward, Council, R. C. Lundy....	359						101
First Ward, Council, John McManis..	351						115
First Ward, Justice, Thos. E. Fitzgerald.....	356						123
Second Ward, Council, H. H. Spencer.....	262						262
Second Ward, Council, Dr. M. N. Graves.....	484						257
Second Ward, Justice, George R. Smythe.....	491						270
Third Ward, Council, Frank A. Cook....	124						—
Third Ward, Council, Robert Shaw....	131						—
Third Ward, Justice, A. O. Newill....	126						—
Fourth Ward, Council, E. M. Allison....	357						11
Fourth Ward, Council, J. R. Elliott....	357						2
Fourth Ward, Justice, Val Gideon....	356						4
Fifth Ward, Council, E. A. Reed.....	251						—
Fifth Ward, Council, Wm. Harcombe....	263						—
Fifth Ward, Justice, T. A. Whalen....	256						—

## ADVICE FROM A MISSIONARY.

BIRMINGHAM, England,  
January 26th, 1891.

Editor Deseret News:

I shall be gratified if by means of this letter I will be able to reach the hearts of every Latter-day Saint, and if my feeble pen can arouse them to a sense of the importance of the subjects mentioned, my gratification will be intensified.

The utter ignorance of the true condition of the Latter-day Saints who are "gathered" to the land of Zion has often been manifested by the speakers and writers who manage to catch the eyes and ears of the public. And in many cases these speakers and writers are intelligent enough upon other points. It is a popular theme, however, and panders to the depraved sensibilities of the masses. And if I should say that many of our people at home

are more or less responsible for a large share of this ignorance, I do not think I should be far from the mark, as their silence lends color to the prevalent idea that in Utah we are in a state of serfdom.

In the pursuit of the duties incident to my present calling as a missionary I am frequently met with complaints made by relatives and friends of those who have been privileged to emigrate years ago to the bosom of the Church. Assurances have been repeatedly given that those left behind should receive news from Zion, but in far too many cases these promises are and have been either forgotten or ignored. And as a consequence the fables of our enemies are accepted and believed for want of contrary proofs which could be amply supplied by their friends in the Rocky Mountains, if they would only take the trouble to fulfil their promises. This may perhaps seem a trivial matter for a newspaper, but I feel that I am championing the cause of many of my brethren whose path might be made brighter and duties lighter by a kindly and judicious use of writing materials, in corroborative testimony of the truths we are anxious to get before the people.

Complaints are not all the reasons I have for thus arraigning the torpor of the friends who have left these shores and joined forces with the people of Utah. During my sojourn in these lands I have witnessed the departure of quite a number of Latter-day Saints who, in my hearing, made the most solemn pledges to those left behind, and I am advised that these have not been complied with. Now I know of no valid excuse to be adduced for this neglect.

It may be urged as an argument that the missionaries are amply able to reveal the true status of the people at home. This sounds reasonable, and might be effective were it not that the Elders are frequently looked upon with suspicion, as having ulterior motives in sacrificing their time and means to preach the doctrines of "Mormonism." Experience has taught me that one letter written from a relative or friend will do more to allay prejudice than many times the amount of earnest assertions on the part of a missionary. I have been frequently told that the people in Utah dare not write to their friends, and the silence of their friends has been used to substantiate their position, and under these circumstances what reply can I make? I have no doubt the same conditions are met with by many if not all the traveling Elders, and it is too bad that this stumbling block should exist when it might be mitigated, if not obviated, by an occasional letter.

It is pleasant to us to know that prayers are daily being offered to God in behalf of the missionaries, and doubtless many of the dear friends are sincerely devoted to the cause, and would be glad to aid in its advancement. To such, and to all the Latter-day Saints, I would say that one of the most effective plans in which they can lend assistance is to begin right now and write to their friends wherever they may be, and give them a truthful and earnest statement of their present condition of life. And then should it be that there are missionaries in localities where their