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FOR THE PEOPLE.

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MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

Monday, Feb. 11, 1872.

PEOPLE'S TICKET.

For Mayor.

PERAMORE LINTON,
For Alderman.

1st Ward, ADAM SPIES.

2d Ward, HENRY DINWOODIE.

3d Ward, A. H. RALEIGH.

4th Ward, JOHN SHARP.

5th Ward, ALEX. C. PUPPER.

For Councilor.

W. L. BALL,

ISAAC BROCKE, JR.

ELIAS MORRIS.

JAMES W. CUMMINGS.

JOHN HENRY SMITH.

JOSEPH F. SMITH.

DAVID O. CALDWELL.

GEORGE REYNOLDS.

FRANCIS ARMSTRONG.

For Recorder.

JOHN T. CALDWELL.

For Treasurer.

PAUL A. SCHETZLER.

For Marshal.

ANDREW BULL.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

The municipal election will take place on Monday next, and legal voters should make calculations to exercise on that occasion their right of franchise. We regard voting at elections in the light of a duty as well as a privilege. Every citizen should have at heart the welfare of the State, of which he is an integral part. The power entrusted to him as a voter ought to be used; it is not conferred as a show of dignity or a political ornament. It should be exercised freely and intelligently. All who hold the elective franchise should make themselves acquainted with the issues involved in the elections in which they take part, and act conscientiously having in view the public welfare; and they should do so in perfect liberty.

In this city and Territory there is no need for any person to fear for any officer or measure under fear or restraint. It is asserted frequently that men and women in Utah deposit their votes by Church dictation and under orders of the priesthood. A greater untruth could not be uttered. Both men and women who are members of the Church have voted against the majority, and some of the former have run for office on opposition tickets, yet no pains point them or punishments have been inflicted upon them in consequence of their antagonism to that which the bulk of the people and the leaders of the Church considered for its best interests of the community. This fact is sufficient proof that the charges of Church coercion and terrorism are falsehoods.

The cry of "Union of Church and State" is a manifest absurdity. Every department of the State, municipal, county and territorial, is as entirely separate and distinct from the Church as in any other part of the world. No people a pecular office by virtue of an ecclesiastical position. If a gentleman occupying a church office holds an official place in the State, he is elected or appointed to the latter by virtue of the popular vote of the people and the appointment of clerical authority.

The phrase "Union of Church and State" comes into use to denote the condition of things in European nations, where the head of the State was by virtue of the position the head of the Church, or vice versa. In England a certain number of Bishops of the State, though sit in the House of Lords, yet by virtue of their Bishops, the Queen is the head of the Church, "as by law established," and the funder of the faith." Such a state of affairs is impossible under the Constitution of the United States, which was framed with a view to prevent any such evils as the Puritan Fathers suffered under Spanish ecclesiasticism and from which they fled across the sea.

But while it is not possible to establish the "union of Church and State" in this country, there is nothing in the Constitution, in the principles of true representation, nor in good common sense, to prevent the election of any man to any office simply because he happens to be or has been a certain form of cleric or administrator in religious organizations. A "Mormon" like a Presbyterian, Baptist or Methodist, civil rights to the spirit of the infidel. The State has no power to regulate the Church nor does any of its members or officers affect voting, holding secular office or wielding influence in politics, so long as that power is lawfully exercised.

It is amusing to hear some in this community argue against the influence of "the priesthood in politics" while they hold a portion of that same priesthood, and claim the right to move in the public to the exclusion of all others, and larger experience. And so do them objecting to a ticket on the grounds that priesthood is represented in it and has induced his nomination, and after all their protests merely substituting the names of other men holding priesthood, and in which they also serve participate.

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What is there to fear? Who is going to hurt them or try to do so? The public have the right to question them, wisdom and sense, if they do not what looks like their folly. No principle is involved in the attempt to dictate the people, and the pretended right is merely beating the air, with "No union of Church and State," for a catch cry, which is ridiculed even by the Anti-Mormons.

While the majority of the citizens of this Territory are members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, those who are not of their faith will be sure to raise the cry of Church influence in elections, as they would if the majority happened to be Methodists who had colonized these western states. And they have some slight color of consistency in their plan, which vanishes however in the light of the truth. But the raising of such a cry by members of the same church and holding its priesthood, is simply ridiculous and dangerous. It is opposition for opposition's sake.

There is one thing against which we wish to warn the people. That is, the disreputable practice of imitating the People's Tickets closely that persons in a hurry are deceived into voting for the opposition, through the tricks of those versed in political intrigue. Be sure that if you want to vote the People's Ticket you do not unwittingly cast the wrong ballot. Examining your ticket before voting.

We hope every legal voter, male and female, will go to the polls on Monday. Carelessness and indifference are wrong at any time, but become inexcusable when hostile influences are at work. All hands to the ballot box. Let us all show our true sentiments and exercise the powers granted to us by law, and do so freely, conscientiously, and with a proper regard for the general good. Unity is strength; division is folly, as well as weakness.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH LINE.

TO-DAYS DISPATCHES.

CONGRESSIONAL.

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The session to-day was for general debate only. Hewitt, of Alab., occupied the chair.

There was a very small attendance of members. The first speech was by Joyce in advocacy of the constitutional amendment and civil service reform. He was followed by Crittenden, who spoke against the proposed silver legislation.

EASTERN.

CARDINAL McCloskey for the Roman Catholic Masses for the Dead.

NEW YORK.—The World says:

Cardinal McCloskey will sail on the Imman steamer City of New York, to-day. The cardinal will be accompanied on his trip by Father Farley, his private secretary. At Rome he will make his headquarters at the American College, and will remain there until the enthronement of the coming Pope. In due time regular masses will be celebrated in all the Roman Catholic churches of this city for the repose of the soul of the dead pontiff.

Germany and a New Pope.

A special from Rome says:

Prince Bismarck has instructed the German ambassador that Germany refrains from all interference till the new Pope is elected, after which she may take action.

TUESDAY.

CONSOLIDATED MAIL.

THE GREAT UNION SQUARE Theatre Company, comprising the following artists:

Chas. R. Thomas, Jr., Fanny Norton, Marie Wilkins, Mrs. Vernon, Minnie Harrington, Miss Horner, Frank Roche, John W. Steele, John G. Barker, John G. Barker, Willie Dwyer, C. H. Collier, Adeline White, Miss Mortimer, Miss Little Frost, Miss May, White and Art, Mr. St. Johnstone.

NOTES OF STRIKE.

The Oldham mills will be closed on the 21st inst., the weavers having given notice of a strike against the five per cent. reduction in wages.

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