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SUPPORT GOOD PRINCIPLES.

We have been requested to publish
a communication from Dr. C. E. West,
of Salina, Utah, in reference to the
recent election there, and the fusion
effected between Democrats and Re-
publicans by which the Socialists were
"defeated but not conquered." The letter
is exceedingly well written, but as it
consists chiefly of a defense of Social-
ism as understood by the writer, and
of an arraignment of the old parties,
we do not comply with the request
for its publication in full.The Deseret News will not be in-
volved in party disputes, nor does it
desire to provoke or aid in a discus-
sion between either of the Socialistic
factions and each other, or with the
old national parties or either of them.
At the same time, this paper aims to
support good government, correct prin-
ciples in ethics and religion, temperance
in all things, liberty within the
lines of law, and the suppression of
crime and vice, also practical efforts
to ameliorate the conditions of oppres-
sed humanity. We can therefore heart-
ily endorse such sentiments as these,
expressed in Dr. West's letter:"Pure moral happiness is not found
in the gross shops of debauchery, nor in
the beastly feasts of sexual iniquity.
When poverty, the mother of crime,
stalks the land, when rampant theft,
robbery and crime permeate our entire
social and political circles, how can
anyone unless he possess the intelligence
of the clam and the heart of a
savage, fail to sympathize with the
down-trodden and oppressed, and labor
ardently to improve the present state
of society?""Omitting all references to conflicting
opinions among the citizens of Salina
and criticisms of their acts or of the
officials of the city, we quote further
from the letter from Dr. West, endorsing
the advice given therein as follows,
with the remark that the virtues advo-
cated are not new nor are they the
special property of any of the forms of
modern Socialism:"Now let us be fair in criticizing offi-
cers whose interests are with us in
local matters and whose worthy citi-
zenship does not merit the aspersions
because of political convictions.
Every citizen should seek to im-
prove our community, beautify their
homes, talk approvingly of our town
and its people, live temperate, honest
lives and cease 'knocking' on the door
of personal jealousy and party prej-
udice when a clean conscience and an
honest soul reign within."

"CHURCH INFLUENCE."

The hackneyed cry of "Church In-
fluence," heard so frequently in this city
after elections, echoed in Idaho and
rumbling and reverberating throughout
the land, has recently been raised in
Cedar City, Iron county, where a pro-
hibition ticket was successful after a
heated campaign. The "cry" has
been answered by the Iron County
Record, and we copy the reply as it fits
the case fairly and squarely and ap-
plies to conditions and facts in Salt
Lake as well as in Cedar. The Record
says:"A significant feature of the com-
plaint that is so often made in relation
to Church influence in politics is the
fact that this complaint is never made
by the winning side. If the Democrats
score a victory they are never heard to complain
of the interference of the Church,
while if the G. O. P. succeed in turning
their adversaries down they are not
heard from on the subject of Church
influence. The fact of the matter is
that either party is quite willing
that the so-called Church influence
should be used, if they are the bene-
ficiaries. It has become the rule
here in Utah for the cry of Church
influence to be raised by the losing
party. There is always this source
of consolation for them. This old
song has been sung at great many
times, and is one of the simplest
ditties in the book. Nobody is ex-
pected to give any particulars,
neither as to how, where, or who.
We have no recollection of ever see-
ing the word Church defined as used
in this connection. If we follow the
dictionary and admit the Church to
be 'a body of Christian believers ob-
serving the same rites and acknowl-
edging the same authority,' it is
very difficult to see how the Church
could fail to influence their every
act, if they are sincere in their be-lier. Such a body should always be
found working for what their creed
teaches them is right, and Church in-
fluence under such conditions, if the
doctrines of such church are good,
should be beneficial to the common-
wealth, whether it is in the interest
of politicians or not. But it is not
in this way, as near as we can un-
derstand, that the term is used.
Judging by the manner in which it
is charged, and trying to reconcile
the charge with common sense, it
must be that those who make the com-
plaint mean it is not the Church that
uses the influence, but only certain
leaders, or men in authority therein,
who are accused of using their au-
thority to coerce the body over
whom they preside to take such ac-
tion in political affairs as they di-
rect. If this definition of church in-
fluence is to be the criterion by which
the charge is to be considered, those
who make it should certainly be able to
do something more than make the general
complaint that they are in the habit of
doing. Some time, if the Church au-
thorities are in the habit of seeking to
compel the members to do their bid-
ding in political affairs, they will try
the wrong man and he will give
the scheme away. As far as we
have been able to learn such a case
has never been even cited, let alone
proven. In the municipal election that
has just occurred the stock cry has
been raised by supporters of the los-
ing ticket, it being alleged that the
ward authorities have used church in-
fluence to defeat them. Those who
are acquainted with the ward authori-
ties could have told these people that as
far as their influence was concerned
they might be sure that it would go,
as it ought to do, in favor of the sup-
pression of the liquor traffic, and that
to expect anything else from them
would be doing men of their well known
temperance principles an injustice.
But if any man or woman among the
supporters of the defeated ticket knows
of any one of the ward or stake au-
thorities having sought in their of-
ficial capacity to control or direct
the vote of any of their flock, even
in this campaign, which has not
been run on party lines, if they will
put us in possession of the facts we
shall take pleasure in publishing
them; for that sort of thing has no
support from us."

KING CHRISTIAN.

On the 15th of this month it was forty
years since the accession to the throne
of King Christian of Denmark, and the
event was celebrated by the royal chil-
dren and relatives of the venerable
monarch, now 85 years old. The Danish
king is closely related to nearly all the
royal families of Europe, so that a
family reunion at the beautiful Danish
capital is indeed a notable affair.King Christian came to the Danish
throne in 1863, at the age of 45, from a
comparatively obscure position, as duke
of Glücksburg, and at first his ideas
and plans did not coincide with those of
the people. But gradually he became
popular, notwithstanding that during
his reign the little kingdom has sus-
tained heavy losses in territory, and to-
day he is respected and loved as few
monarchs. His character is unstained
and his integrity is universally ac-
knowledged.The beautiful Queen Alexandra, his
daughter, still tells of the time, it is
said, when she was the daughter only
of a poor duke, when with her mother
and her sisters, she sometimes made
her own dresses, and personally at-
tended to things of which exalted persons
are supposed to have no knowledge. The
life of the family was divided between
Copenhagen, Juegenheim and Frankfurt-
on-Maine, and there was never a more
joyous existence than that enjoyed by
the children of the present king of
Denmark. Then their parents drove out
in one carriage, in which, in some mar-
velous way, they managed to squeeze
the six children, and wealth was so far
from their dreams that when an old
gypsy foretold for them glorious des-
tinies, promising to one a double crown
of queen and empress, to another rule
over a large empire, and to a third a
queenly title without a kingdom, the
children of the duke laughed at her,
and remembered her prophecy only to
deride it as impossible.Those happy days of youth are still
remembered in the royal family gather-
ings at Copenhagen, and it can easily
be believed that, as a rule, royalty of
Europe have no more keen pleasure
than an occasional visit to the grand
old man of Denmark. There all cares
are thrown away. They are safe, too,
there. For, somehow, the assassins of
royal persons do not seem to care to
follow their victims there. Denmark's
royal castle has become a kind of refuge
for royalty.

NOT A COMPARISON.

The Philadelphia Ledger recites the
story of Ahab and Naboth, evidently as
a comment on the Panama affair.
Ahab, as will be remembered, desired
Naboth's vineyard, and wanted to pur-
chase it. Naboth, refused to sell his
inheritance, the law forbidding him
to do so. Then Ahab's counselors con-
victed to have Naboth falsely convicted
of something, and assassinated. And
then the vineyard was confiscated. This,
the Ledger would have us infer, fits
the case of our government and that of
Columbia.Now, there is no poorer kind of ar-
gument than this. Its object is simply
to excite prejudices, and to kindle pas-
sion. It is a refined form of lying, the
more dangerous because difficult to de-
tect. President Roosevelt is no Ahab.
Columbia is not Naboth. Panama is
not the vineyard of Naboth, which, ac-
cording to law, cannot be sold. No
assassination has been done; no rob-
bery has been contemplated. The en-
tire comparison is false. It is colored,
for a purpose clearly understood.If that kind of argument had any
value at all, it would be as easy to
tell the story of the fall of Jericho,
for instance. The inhabitants of that city
had decided to block the way for the
progress of the chosen nation; to which
the Almighty had given a certain mis-sion. They relied on their impregnable
position, and their army, and refused
to treat. But the word came to Israel:
"Shout, for the Lord hath given you
the city!" And they took it. Need we
say, that this kind of argu-
ment is absolutely useless in
this controversy. The story of
Naboth is as ridiculous on the side of
the opposition to our national govern-
ment, as the story of Jericho is on the
other side. Our attitude in the Panama
affair must be judged by actual con-
ditions.The case can be stated briefly. The
people in the department of Panama
have a fine opportunity of obtaining
prosperity, and advancement. The Co-
lombians, eager for spoil, refused to ac-
cept the conditions upon which these
advantages might be secured, in the
hope, perhaps, of securing more money
for themselves. The entire plan, which
meant so much to Panama, was about
to fall through. Then the Panama peo-
ple, true to the instinct of self-preser-
vation, proclaimed their independence of
Columbia, in order to be able to nego-
tiate with this country. Now, some
Americans insist that the correct atti-
tude of our government would have
been to strangle the new republic in its
birth, or to permit Colombia to do so,
and then either pay the Colombians an
enormous sum for the concessions
sought, or abandon the Panama route
for some other. American "honor," we
are told, demands that course.Has then, it may be asked, Panama
not as much right to form a republic
of its own, as this country had to sever
its connection with Great Britain? The
critics of our government studiously
avoid that question. Somehow history
does not brand that act as a dishon-
or to those that took part in it. It does
not brand as treachery what little sym-
pathy and aid was obtained for the new
republic. Why should conditions be so
different now from then?

WONDERS OF CIVILIZATION.

Sometimes it is necessary to view in
detail the marvels of many modern in-
stitutions, in order to appreciate, to some
extent, the gigantic strides of our civiliza-
tion. The workings of these modern
"miracles" have ceased to attract at-
tention. They are common. And yet
they are marvelous. A few years more,
and telegraphy without wires, and nav-
igation of the air, will be as much mat-
ter-of-fact performances, as are cross-
ing the Atlantic, or sending a message
by cable today.We are led to these reflections by the
statement in a dispatch that there are
in the postoffice department at Wash-
ington the envelope of a letter which
traveled one hundred and fifty thou-
sand miles, and another which came
safely through a trip of one hundred
and twenty-five thousand miles. What
a marvel the present mail system is, by
which, though millions of letters are
handled every year, so few are lost!You paste a little piece of paper on your
envelope, and entrust the missive to the
care of a certain box hung up by the
roadside; and in due time the letter
messenger will reach its destination,
thousands of miles away, safely, unin-
jured. And all that for a few cents!If a traveler should go to Alaska, and
then to California, and from there cross
the Pacific and stop at various places,
before continuing the journey across
Asia, and Europe, and then back to the
starting point, he might have a letter
addressed to him following him all the
way. And all that he would have to
pay extra for this remarkable journey
of his letter would be a dollar or two,
because in certain places there are ex-
tra charges for forwarding mail. What
a tremendous advance is this from the
time when he would send a letter to
a friend had to equip perhaps a mes-
senger and a horse to take it to its
destination!And yet greater things than have
been accomplished, are yet to follow.
Distances are to be reduced still fur-
ther. The human family is to become
still more united. It is all preliminary
to the consolidation of all human inter-
ests, and the subordination of all to
the one Supreme will. Civilization ad-
vances. And in every step forward, it
is directed toward the one end—the final
supremacy of the Redeemer. Toward
the completion of this design, every-
thing points. It is the design traceable
throughout all history, and it is the
goal clearly aimed at by the Divine
mind, in every new step forward.A San Dominican battle is almost
as bloodless as a French duel.It is useless to heap coals of fire on
the heads of the coal barons; it doesn't
faze them.No wonder Columbia is getting her
back up. Panama has given her a
terrible hunch.Ohio will enact a law to suppress the
toy pistol. Utah has such a law, but
it doesn't suppress.Only ten days left in which to gather
in the good things for which to be
duly and officially thankful.The coal barons find no difficulty in
making a raise. They just say the
word and the thing is done.Lord Kitchener has had his leg
broken through the misbehavior of his
horse. Though he is in India this ac-
cident proves that he is no Alexander.Bourke Cockran says there is no
genuine prosperity in the United States.
Possibly, but there is something so
like it that the people cannot tell the
difference.Uncle Sam's announced policy regard-
ing the Isthmus of Panama is this: "I'll
have perpetual peace there if I have to
fight for it."The Kaiser, through his laryngeal
affection, is earning a new title for
himself. It is that of William the Sil-
ent the Second.Having lost the Isthmus the Colora-
dians are now losing their temper. This
might be called tempering; the wind to
the shorn lambs.Professor Theodore S. Woolsey of
Yale says the recognition of Panamawas premature. Admitting that it was
it was most effective.The Mayflower has arrived at Colon.
Once before a Mayflower carried pil-
grims across the sea, where they took
root and spread as a green bay tree.The American Federation of Labor
sent sympathy instead of a thousand
dollars to the striking Colorado coal
miners. It was cheaper and will do
quite as much good in the long run.It is said an effort will be made to
prevent any other business being trans-
acted at the present session of Con-
gress but the one purpose for which
it was called. But what a Congress
will do when once called together is as
uncertain as how a war once begun
will end.The teachers of Greater New York
have formed a union to further their
interests. It will not be very long be-
fore they are affiliated with the Federa-
tion of Labor. Then some day the
illiterate walking delegate will go
among them and tell them they are or-
dered out on a sympathetic strike; and
as good union members they will have
to obey. And how will they explain
their actions to the pupils when they
ask why they are quitting? It will
prove the hardest problem they ever
undertook to explain.

THE OHIO ELECTION.

New York Mail and Express.
The voice of Ohio is the most de-
cisive verdict of the year. The elec-
tion of Gov. Herrick and the return
of Senator Hanna are the heralds of
republican national victory in 1904.

Nashville Banner.

That result was more in the nature
of a protest against the methods and
policies of Tom Johnson than it was
a definite endorsement of the present
national Republican regime. From a
Republican point of view it was far
more a tribute to Senator Hanna and
his influence than it was to President
Roosevelt.

Philadelphia North American.

Out in Ohio Republicanism has re-
established a great stronghold. The
aspirations of Tom Johnson have been
destroyed beyond hope of rebuilding.
The endorsement of Bryanism did not
defeat him, but it added overwhelming
force to the collapse of his fortunes. Sen-
ator Hanna remains the absolute dicta-
tor of the state.

Sandusky Register.

There were not a few Republicans in
Ohio who were quite disposed to feel
indifferent this year and probably
would have been indifferent when vot-
ing day came if not actually hostile had
the Democrats shown practical sense
in their state convention, but they could
not well see their way to support the
Democratic party with Johnson as its
leader and so they concluded that they
would stick to the Republican party
and vote its ticket.

Chicago Chronicle.

No doubt Mr. Hanna's campaign was
effective in bringing the normal Repub-
lican vote to the polls, but the energy
which gave Mr. Johnson's competitor
the largest majority ever thrown for a
governor in Ohio and which reduced
the Democratic membership of the leg-
islature to so small a number that it
will not suffice for decent party repre-
sentation on the committees was sup-
plied by Democrats. The verdict
passed upon Tom Johnson was a Demo-
cratic verdict so far as its spectacular
features go, and it covers the case of
William J. Bryan as effectively as it
does that of the man whom he had
selected for his political heir.

Springfield Republican.

The effect of the Johnson-Clarke
catastrophe may be all that the Demo-
cratic enemies of Johnson desire. This
may finish him. The blow may finally
eliminate Johnson and Bryan, both from
Democratic calculations. Yet, care-
ful observers, cannot ignore the point
that possibly the Ohio election will
intensify the bitterness of factional
feeling in the Democratic party and
make Democratic success in the
presidential year more improbable than
ever. For Johnson, notwithstanding
his rough-shod ways, did offer the gold
Democrats an olive branch in the nomi-
nation of Clarke for the United States
senatorship. It was a fair advance
toward conciliation, and Clarke was a
man whom any conservative Democrat
could support with satisfaction. The
result, however, so far as Ohio is con-
cerned, demonstrates that the Demo-
cratic faction hate each other with fer-
ocity, and that the struggle between
them is much the same as a war of
extermination.Aristo
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