

that a full vote is secured. This is a matter of very great importance, and we hope that while no noise or contention or villification of opponents is indulged in by the People's Party, the returns of the election will show that its members have not been asleep, but that every man has faithfully performed his duty.

A SHREWD "LIBERAL" TRICK.

The city tax notices are not yet issued. They will not be until after the elections. The reason for this delay is obvious. The increase of taxes in this city will be enormous, and the "Liberal" party wants to and the "Liberal" party wants to tide over the elections before the tax-payers become excited about "Liberal" assessments. When the elections are over, look out for squalls!

The county assessor made him acquainted with the valuations placed on certain city property by the city assessor. Being required by law to assess all property at its cash value, he considered it absolutely necessary to his safety, and to the safety of his bondsmen, to place the valuation as near as possible at the figures set by the city assessor. He did not want to give any one the opportunity of placing him in jeopardy for not assessing property at its cash value.

It was a shrewd trick of the "Liberal" city council to "give time" to the city assessor so that his tax notices could be withheld, until both the school election and general election is past, and thus avoid the storm that the immense taxation intended will arouse.

Meanwhile, the attempt is being made to provoke a sentiment of hostility against the People's Party, on the pretense that it is responsible for the enormous increase in the taxes. The fact is, that the People's Party legislators who framed the revenue bill provided for a reduction of the rate to seven mills on the dollar, thus reducing it five-twelfths or nearly one-half. But the Governor would not sign the bill without the provision requiring property to be assessed at its cash value, and making it binding so as to effect an equality of assessment throughout the Territory.

We do not mention this by way of throwing any blame upon the Governor. We understand, very well, that his purpose was to prevent an evil strongly complained of, namely the assessment of property in certain counties at twenty-five per cent of its cash value, while it

was placed at fifty per cent in others, and at its real value in none.

The regulation of the matter is largely in the hands of the county courts and city councils. They can place the rate at a low figure, if they choose, the maximum rate being fixed by law but the minimum being at their discretion. They should not place the rate any higher than is necessary for their respective needs. The assessors, too, both in the cities and counties, need not place the valuation at speculative or "boom" prices, but, as the law requires, at "the amount at which the property would be taken in payment of a just debt due from an insolvent debtor." No officer or body has the right to construe the meaning of the words "cash value," or "fair cash value" in any other way, for this is the meaning given to those terms expressly in the law.

The city assessment notices ought to be in the hands of the taxpayers, that they may know their fate and be able to prepare to meet the demand. The delay is a detriment to the public, is unfair to the poor property-holder, and is of benefit to no one but the "Liberal" party, which seeks by the delay, to put off, until after the elections the odium which the enormous burden they have ready for the shoulders of the people will incur, and postpone it until after the votes are cast. The taxpayers, however, ought to have their eyes opened to this little trick, and not be hoodwinked either by the delay or the false pretenses of the political jeremy-diddlers who are playing for both elections.

"LIBERAL" RANT AND BLUSTER.

It is a very mean and contemptible attack which is being made upon Elias Morris by the "Liberal" peddlers of falsehood, who are charging him with "trying to prevent a Liberal meeting" on Tuesday, July 8.

We have given the facts to the public just as they occurred. They cannot be successfully denied. The blame rested entirely with the lawless and insolent persons who attempted to force their way upon private property to hold a public meeting. No decent man or paper will try to defend such conduct. If the managers of that meeting had acted with common courtesy and common sense, they would have asked for the privilege of holding their meeting at the place desired. And we happen to know that their

request would have been complied with, cheerfully.

As to the propriety of throwing private property open to the use of men for the purpose of lying about the owners of the property, and abusing everybody with whom they are associated, we will not stop now to expatiate.

The objection to the intrusion of the "Liberal" stump shouters was chiefly on account of their intention to make a big blaze in close proximity to buildings which would have been in great danger from fire. Mr. Morris took the proper steps to prevent this damage, and when he had accomplished this laudable object he retired, and did not stop to listen to the abuse which the "Liberal" blackguards of the evening hurled against him and his friends.

The conduct of the speakers on that occasion was that of huffies and braggarts, and not of gentlemen or decent members of society. And the papers that defend them partake of their evil deeds. The falsehoods vamped up to excuse their conduct do not help their cause. No one wished or tried to prevent a "Liberal" meeting. No interruptions have been made to any of the "Liberal" howlings during the week, except that bystanders aroused by the intemperate language and insulting lies of the orators, have occasionally given an emphatic denial to the untruths so recklessly uttered. Nobody has wished to make trouble, unless it has been the ignorant or mendacious speakers for the "Liberal" party.

Some new-comers who know nothing of what they are talking about, but have been "Liberal" stuff with errors about our school system, exhibit their equal lack of knowledge and lack of sense, and may be excused. A few fanatics, who turn white in the face and gripe like demons whenever "Mormon" matters are mentioned, sputter and rave on the stump like idiots, and are to be pitted. Others manufacture falsehoods with intent and expect pelf for their utterance, and are to be utterly despised.

But all these persons should be let alone, unless they attempt, as on Tuesday, July 8th, to ride roughshod over law and the rights of property, and then they are to be resisted without fear and without hesitation.

"The trustees be d——," was the expression on Tuesday, July 8, of a prominent "Liberal" who is not yet "out of the woods" in proceedings connected with the late election