

JUDGE ZANE ON THE SITUATION.

A representative of the News waited upon Chief Justice Zane this afternoon with the object of ascertaining his views on the present political situation as affecting Utah. His honor answered freely and frankly the questions addressed to him, as will be seen by the following:

Asked "What do you say, Judge, in regard to the action of the convention in seating both sets of delegates from Utah?"

"Well, I will say that I do not think it will have any permanent effect. It has disappointed some of the straight Republicans of Utah, no doubt, but I will state that the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints having abandoned polygamy nearly two years ago, and the People's Party—a political organization composed of the members of that Church and those disposed to be favorable to it—having dissolved more than one year ago, many Republicans believed that the common good demanded the organization of their party, regardless of religious beliefs and creeds. And so they proceeded about a year ago to organize a party throughout the Territory. The "Liberal" party, as it is termed, opposed this, but the Republican party was organized, and at the only Territorial election since that time had a delegate in the field. It has also had a delegate in every county and city election in the Territory since. It has been recognized by the National Republican Committee. It has held two Republican Territorial conventions; it selected two delegates to the National Convention now in session, and they were admitted to seats. Thereby the national Republican party approved of the organization and said to the straight Republicans, "You have done right." We will have another Territorial Republican convention soon and place a candidate for delegate to Congress in the field, to be voted for by all Republicans and such others as favor the election of the man. There will be no hesitation, or halting, or backing down at the bidding of any other party or set of men. The party will have a ticket in the field at all elections in Utah hereafter. This Republican party is not in the field merely for a day or a year, but during the future of Utah as a Territory and as a State. We are for Statehood for Utah, as I understand it. I am for it now and will be until it is obtained, and then I shall be for the State afterwards. I have no doubt that the petty epithets now hurled at Republicans will be forgotten ere long, and the narrow prejudices and hatreds which infest the hour will be expelled by reason, moral power and true religion, and a fellow-feeling, goodwill and charity will take their place. We endorse the Republican platform, as I understand it, and especially the following planks:

The Republican party has always been the champion of the oppressed and recognizes the dignity of manhood irrespective of faith, color or nationality. It sympathizes with the causes of Home Rule in Ireland, and protests against the persecution of Jews. The ultimate reliance of free popular government is the intelligence

of the people and maintenance of freedom among men.

We therefore declare anew our devotion to liberty of thought and conscience, of speech and press, and approve all agencies and instrumentalities which contribute to the education of the children of the land, but while insisting on the fullest measure of religious liberty, we are opposed to any union of Church and State.

We favor the admission of the remaining Territories at the earliest possible date, having due regard to the interests of the people of the Territories and the United States. All Federal officers appointed for Territories should be selected from bona fide residents thereof, and the right of self-government should be accorded as far as practicable.

The reporter next inquired: "What do you think, Judge, will be the effect of the action of the convention, before referred to upon the Straight Republican party of Utah?—will it injure the prospects of the party in Utah among those people who have not affiliated themselves to either party?"

"It may have a tendency to do that, for a time," replied the chief justice after a brief pause; "but I think that they will act upon principle, and will not be driven into any other party by this mere failure to obtain all that they probably wished."

"Have you heard anything about the rumored appointment of Mr. Varian as a National committeeman for the Republicans?" was the next interrogatory propounded.

"I have heard it stated that he has been appointed, but whether it is so or not I do not know."

"If the report be true," next inquired the reporter, "what do you suppose will be the effect?"

To this the chief justice answered—"Oh, I presume that Mr. Varian, as soon as he thinks that the Republican party is permanently organized will join that party. He is a man who has always professed to be a Republican, and I presume that he is."

"Have you anything more to say, Judge, in regard to the political situation?"

"No, I don't think that I have anything more to tell you. I might say, however, I presume that the Republicans will ratify the nomination for President when made—that the National Republican convention will place a man in nomination with whom the Republicans of Utah will be satisfied."

CITY COUNCIL.

The City Council met in regular session last night. The first business of the evening was the election of a temporary chairman. On motion of Horn Alderman Evans was chosen. In addition to the chairman the following members were present at roll call: Rich, Hardy, Folland, Moran, Simondi, Horn and Heiss. During the process of roll call and the reading of the minutes of the previous session, Bell, Beardsley, Loofbourrow, Lawson, Karrick, Wantland and Heiss were caucusing on the sidewalk in front of the City Hall. Just as soon as they learned that Moran's friends had taken possession, they hurriedly entered the council chamber in a body but none

too soon to participate in the proceedings of electing a president of the Council.

ELECTION OF A PRESIDENT.

The regular order of business had been commenced when Hardy raised the point of order that the election of a president must first be proceeded with and moved that the nominations commence. Bell seconded the motion and nominated Alderman Loofbourrow. Horn nominated Moran, who in turn smilingly nominated Horn. Wantland made an effort to be funny by nominating Rich. The latter determined not to be outdone by his loquacious and irrepressible antagonist from the First precinct, played even by naming him as eminently fitted for the responsible position of president. That diminutive gentleman, however, positively declined and Heiss nominated Karrick, who also made a brief but expressive speech of declination. Hardy nominated Beardsley. Simondi thought that Mr. Evans, the temporary chairman, was an acceptable person for the position and placed his name in nomination. This closed the nominations and on motion of Folland it was decided to vote by ballot.

The chair appointed Simondi and Rich as tellers. The vote resulted as follows:

Horn	1
Beardsley	1
Moran	1
Loofbourrow	8

Loofbourrow was declared elected and Moran was appointed to escort him to the chair, which he did with becoming grace and dignity.

THE NEW PRESIDENT TALKS.

President Loofbourrow said he felt grateful to the Council for electing him. He hoped that his administration would be as successful as Mayor Baskin's had been. It would be his constant aim to promote harmony and good feeling among the members and to adopt such measures that would be calculated to expedite the transaction of business. To this end he asked the hearty co-operation of all the councilmen. Again thanking them, he assumed presidential charge of the meeting.

PETITIONS

were read and referred as follows:

John G. Gold presented a claim for damages sustained by his wife by being thrown from a buggy on Grade Street while driving along that dangerous and broken thoroughfare. Committee on claims.

Mrs. M. A. Moffett asked for a mayor's deed to certain property owned by her. Referred to the city attorney.

Elisha P. Deal and Henry Shide asked to purchase twenty acres of land in Section 27, Township 1, N. R. 1 E. Committee on public grounds.

John C. Cutler & Bro. and others protested against Richards Brothers being allowed to erect a fence in front of their property near the Constitution building. Committee on streets.

M. C. Godbe asked that a retaining wall be built in front of his property on the east side of State street. Committee on streets.

The Saltair Railway company asked permission to tap water mains at western edge of the city to supply its engines with water. Committee on waterworks with power to act.

J. G. Brooke and thirty-eight other