

side and to recoil with horror at the mention of the fellows on the other side. I am sorry to be obliged, at this time, to somewhat reverse this order of things. I am about to tell you something in regard to one of your own candidates, at which you will doubtless recoil with horror. Notwithstanding all the caution, all the prudence, all the judgment exercised by the recent convention, they have nominated a "suspect." [Laughter.] I have a document which will explain the situation more fully. Before reading it I desire to commend the wisdom and forethought of the convention which in its last hours resolved that in case any of the nominees on the ticket were disabled or rendered ineligible in any way before the election, that the central committee should call the delegates together again to fill the vacancy so occasioned. I tell you that the convention builded wiser than it knew. Now is the time for you to recoil with horror. Attend:

TERRITORY OF UTAH,
CITY AND COUNTY OF SALT LAKE, ss.
I, David Webb, a qualified voter of the city of Salt Lake, hereby object to the right of Heber M. Wells to vote, for the following reasons, to wit: He is a polygamist. [Loud yells of "Rats!" "Oohwebs!" "Fraud!" etc.] Signed, D. WEBB, Objector.

This morning I showed this paper to a Liberal friend. He asked me if Mr. Webb knew me. I replied I didn't know whether he did or not. He said if I had been a good trotting horse he would know me, because he knew all the good trotting horses in the city. Then for the first time since my nomination as recorder I regretted I did not get there as a *mare* [screams and hurrahs], or something of that sort; though perhaps if I had Mr. Webb might have discovered a worse *mare's* nest than ever.

I know an old man who has trudged past my door ever since I was born, and before, too, I guess. He has lived here so long that the boys call him, jocularly, "the oldest inhabitant." Today he was accused by Mr. Webb of being a non-resident. [Cheers.]

I am informed that Mr. George M. Scott, the Liberal nominee for Mayor, says that he wants a fair election or no office. I now warn Mr. Scott if he persists in such statements as these Mr. Webb is liable to object to his right to vote. [Loud and long applause.] Let me tell him that the fact that he has lived here fifteen or twenty years is no bar to his being objected to as a non-resident—nor is the fact that he has no wife at all a bar to his being objected to as a polygamist. [Cheers.] The People's party doffs its hat to Mr. Scott and asks him and all good citizens to unite with them in securing a fair and impartial count. [Prolonged cheering.]

Three hearty cheers were then given Mr. Wells, following which came a piece by the drum corps.

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next came forward amid applause. He said he realized very keenly that poring over account books for twenty-five years had not qualified him for the stage. But my experience may be of

use in the position of treasurer and help me to bring out a clean balance sheet and keep the cash straight. Had I consulted my own feelings, I should have asked at the convention to have my name withdrawn. But this is no time for the People's Party to back out. [Applause.] The backing must be done by somebody else. I am proud to be associated with the names on this ticket. I know them all to be honorable men, and worthy of the support of every fair man and honest citizen of Salt Lake.

Three cheers were given for the ticket, and then

PROF. J. H. PAUL was introduced and warmly welcomed. He said much would be said of the candidates, and he would mention but the one whom he had the honor of nominating in the convention, for marshal, Gilbert A. McLean. [Applause.] I need only refer to him as a great worker and not as a great talker. [Cheers.] I will also refer to the "Liberal" platform. Its first line says: "The 'Liberal' party of Salt Lake is composed of over 20,000 residents of the city." [Cries of "Rats!"] There is no census of "Liberals" taken, but there is a census less than a year old, from which you can easily judge the truth of the claim. This census shows that in this city last July there were 9500 school children of "Mormon" parentage, and only 3000 children of "Liberal" parentage. You see this line in the "Liberal" platform is, putting it mildly, a mistake.

Another sentence is: The "Liberal" party "refers with pride to its achievements in the past." [Laughter.] I should think it would. It has deprived you of trial by jury; it has deprived the women of Utah of the suffrage; it has taken away from you the right to elect certain of your officers; it advises your disfranchisement; asks that you be prohibited from entering the public lands, and clamors for other unjust measures. I think it should be proud of its infamies!

Another line: "Office belongs to no man." The four registrars did not seem to hold that, did they? [Applause.]

"Reform is hereby pledged in our water service, until pure water in abundance shall at all times be at the command of consumers." A good plank. It is taken entire from the People's platform. [Cheers.]

They say: "We believe in local self-government." They should have added by the Salt Lake *Tribune*. [Laughter.] That paper advises the depriving of "Mormons" of every right. The "Liberal" platform is signed by Baskin, who drew the infamous bill now before Congress for your disfranchisement. [Cries of "Shame on them!"]

The "Liberals" say they believe in free schools. They have opposed by vote and lawsuit every attempt yet made here to have free schools. [Shouts of "That's so!"]

"The Liberal party pledges itself to the lowest possible rate of taxation." That is now their claim. How long since we converted them? They should have said that before

they raised Ogden taxes three to five times what they were before. [Applause.]

They speak of shackles and say the "Liberal" party struck shackles from the minds of men. [Cries of "Rats!"] There is too much rhetoric about that. I could hardly tell what they meant by shackles. But in their organ, the *Tribune*, I found something about shackles. It says: "It may be a hard thing to say, and perhaps harder still to maintain, that billiard halls, saloons and ——— (places I would be ashamed to name) are more powerful agencies in Utah than churches and schools, or even than the *Tribune*. So long as they are slaves, it matters not much to what or to whom, they are and can be nothing. I rejoice to see young Mormons playing billiards, getting drunk, and—(doing something worse)—anything to break the shackles they were born in." [Cries of "Shame on them!"] We cannot afford to follow a party that advocates such principles. [Cries of "No! No!"]

Three cheers were given by the audience for Hon. F. S. Richards, who introduced

JOHN H. RUMEL, JR.

This was the signal for further cheering, and when there was a cessation Mr. Rumel said:

Ladies and Gentlemen—I am not a public speaker, and will simply thank you for the honor you have conferred in nominating me to a position on your ticket.

Then the assemblage shouted "McLean!" "Come on, Mac!" In response,

GILBERT A. McLEAN

came forward and said—Ladies and Gentlemen: I feel out of place on the stage. I thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me, and will endeavor to do my duty faithfully, not only to the People's Party but to all concerned. [Cheers.]

Calls were made for

S. A. KENNER,

whom, Mr. Richards remarked needed no introduction. He said: I believe that is true, for I have circulated among the people for a few years. Such little ability as I have has been devoted to the People's Party of late, and is going to be hereafter. I hope we will cause the people to think twice, especially those who are training with the "Liberals." We want them to consider which is the best ticket, and if they do, we know ours is the best. They say we have a cut and dried ticket. The convention had 5 or 6 evenings and two or three days in caucus, fully discussing every candidate, and that is how it was cut and dried. We did it ourselves, as the people called to us. We knew that if our work was bad we would be held responsible, and were spurred to action! With this responsibility on us we did what we thought the best for the whole people. We all had our preferences, and expressed them. All differences, however, disappeared and the man with the most votes was the united nominee of the convention. The candidates have all been referred to. I will name Mr. McLean. I have