

Salt Lake City, and that is one of the main reasons why I am a member of the People's Party. I delight to be numbered among a party that can produce a Club like that which has just given us such good music. I delight to be numbered among a party to which the great pioneer and leader who gave us the building in which we are now assembled belonged. I rejoice to know that his memory and his deeds will live when the vile-mouthed carpet-baggers who have defamed him, and who say that he and those who followed him to these valleys were not a progressive people, shall have packed up their carpet-bags and left the country. [Cheers.]

We are told that the People's Party are composed of a lot of moss-backs; and that is said by the man who has come here with a gripsack containing a pair of dirty stockings and perchance two or three dickies. I doubt if he has even so much as a "dicky." [Laughter.] I doubt if he has so much as a shirt to his back. He tells us if we will turn over to him the next city government and give him the election that he will unpack his gripsack and show us what is in it. [Laughter.]

I would ask, shall we have the same kind of government that they have in Ogden. [Cries of "No!"] They tell us that they are progressive. How? In Ogden, in one single year, they have collected more taxes than did the People's Party in four years. We are not looking for that kind of progress here; and unless a city council nominated by the "Liberals" can show more progress than in the past they will not have any taxes to pay.

They tell us they are "liberal." If ever there was a name misapplied on earth it is that of "Liberal" to the so-called rule, or ruin, party who dwell in the city. How are they "liberal?" I remember some years ago two or three persons going to Washington and laboring—for what? For the poor down-trodden women of Utah—to give them the privilege of voting in order to free themselves. That privilege was given them by a People's Party Legislature; and these same hypocritical "Liberals" afterwards journeyed to Washington and said: "Please take the right away from them now, because they don't vote for us." And what was their excuse for doing so? They said, "These women vote exactly as their husbands tell them." [Laughter.] There is no truer saying than that "The men hold the reins, but the women tell them where to drive."

The "Liberal" tells us that he is progressive and possessed of rare financial ability. It was at a former period my misfortune to reside in Tooele, and I then saw a practical illustration of "Liberal" financial ability. When the "Liberals" went out of office there the place was hopelessly bankrupt, and it took years to bring it out of debt again. When they gained Tooele, warrants were selling for 100 cents on the dollar; when they went out they were fetching only 10 cents. There

is one thing in which the "Liberals" were true to their name in that County. After they had gained control there what did they do? We had then no registration law, and they stuffed the ballot boxes so full that in the town of Jacob it is said one man gave the ballot-box a kick, exclaiming, "Why the—didn't they make the—thing bigger, so as to hold more votes!" [Laughter.] The advice given by the then governor was, "Come to the polls early and come often!" and there were actually cast in the one precinct of Jacob City more votes than there were men, women and children, horses and mules in the whole county. [Laughter.]

We have heard tonight that it became necessary for the United States marshal and his deputies to interfere so as to cleanse the atmosphere of Ogden, in order that decent people as they walked along the streets might not choke to death. I promise you the day will never come in this city or any other ruled by the People's Party when such a thing will be necessary. [Cheers.]

Walk along our streets of a night now and you hear from every dive and alehouse as you pass by the name of "Scott, Scott, George M. Scott" shouted out. How that gentleman's manly bosom must swell! But do you hear the name of Spencer Clawson or Heber Wells shouted from those saloons? [Voices: "No!"] Why? Because the young Utah that follows them have not been reformed by such places.

Who tells us that the People's Party are not progressive? Why, some miserable specimen of a carpet-bagger, and if he possessed any ability at all, there would have been no need for his coming here. Then, when he got here, if he believed one-half the lies he tells about the people he would have taken Ben Butler's advice. Ben Butler is no man's fool, and when he came to this city some folks got up a reception for him at the Walker House, wine and dined him, poured their blood and thunder stories into his ears, and told him that they dared hardly walk the streets, for fear of their lives. He could see that they were lying, because they would not have been there with him if they had not been. The reply he gave was, "Gentlemen, I will suggest a remedy." They all listened to him with eyes and ears wide open. "Why," said he, "leave the d—country. There are plenty of places where you would not take your lives in your hands." [Laughter.]

Last night, I am informed, the "Liberals" held a meeting in this building, and among other things, one man had the supreme gall to stand up and say he rejoiced that he was the father of a bill introduced into Congress to take away the rights of the people. ["Shame!"] Truly he is "liberal." He was one of those who went down to Washington, told blood and thunder stories, and tried to make out that he was a perfect hero. What did Mr. Cannon say on that occasion? He simply pointed to Baskin and said: "Gentlemen, this man stands here.

If his stories were true, he would have been killed long ago."

I once read an essay by a "Liberal" in which he said that in no other State or Territory were the taxes so low as in Utah. In no other city, I say, are they so high as in Ogden, and the reason is that the "progressive" element have gained the control there. Has the public debt in Ogden been decreased by these "Liberals?" No. Have they done anything at all to show their financial ability? No. Have the People's Party demonstrated theirs once more in Tooele County? Yes, and today the warrants there are again worth one hundred per cent.

We are told there is no progress in the People's Party. Then, I ask, who built all the railways here? Who built the Utah Central railway, the Utah & Nevada, the Utah & Northern, the Salt Lake & Fort Douglas and the city railways? Who laid down every iron in this Territory? The People's Party. Who tells you, notwithstanding all this, that they have no progress? Why, the man with a dicky in his gripsack. [Laughter and applause.] Who built the Provo factory? The People's party. Who tells you they have not got any progress? The man who never put a nickel in a factory of any kind. And why? Because he did not have it. Who will give you a progressive government? Why the "Liberal." And how will he do it? Why he cannot even sign the receipt for the pay that comes to him! [Loud laughter.] Because he cannot write his own name he will have to get somebody else to make his mark, so that he can draw our taxes. Do you want that class of individual to reign in this city? [Cries of "No."] If not, labor with all your ability to see they are "snowed under" on the 10th of February.

Distinctly understand that the People's Party have the majority of the voters in this city, while if they do not carry the election, it will be because the registration car with engine No. 20, coach 266, which left this city on the 20th December and ran down to Green River and back again has brought in some "old residents" to vote.

We are told they are "liberal." In what? Binding a man hand and foot, with the assistance of somebody else, then pummeling him, and afterwards talking about their bravery. They robbed the People's Party of their right to vote; they robbed the ladies of their right to the suffrage, disfranchised our fathers and mothers, and then come forward and inform us that they are "liberal"! I know of no true way of judging a man or party of men except by their deeds; and I say there has never been one deed performed by the "Liberal" party but what has been exactly opposed to the name under which they sail. On the contrary, we find that the People's Party are always liberal. The "Liberals" claim to be the friends of young Utah. How? They gave young Utah one place on their ticket because they could not help themselves; that individual was one of