

PURGE THE REGISTRATION LISTS

If the managers of the "Liberal" organization really desire a fair election next February, they will unite with the leaders of the People's Party in a genuine effort to purge the registration lists of the names of all dead, removed or otherwise disqualified persons, that none may appear thereon but of those who are lawfully entitled to vote at the municipal election.

There are hundreds of names which have no business to be there. Some of them are of persons who were members of the People's Party when they were in the city. Many more of them are of "Liberal." We believe they have been retained for a specific purpose, and that an unlawful one. We have reason to think this because it was by such means that the wholesale frauds at the Ogden City election were made possible, frauds which have been openly boasted of by the "Liberals" who helped in them and uttered here and in Washington.

The registration officers -- the deputies, did not all perform their duty at the last revision. They did not visit the house of each resident in their precincts, that persons newly qualified could register, neither did they make diligent inquiry so that persons who had died, or removed, or otherwise become disqualified might be stricken from the lists. Some of them were excessively active in registering "Liberal" citizens and in avoiding People's Party citizens. But gross negligence was displayed in the matter of erasures.

There are gentlemen of honor fairness and good reputation in the "Liberal" party who ought to be interested in the purity of elections as much as the People's Party. We ask them now to aid in the work that ought to be done, and to take steps as soon as possible to have the registration lists purged, and thus prepare the way for a fair and honorable contest next February.

This may be done without attempting to urge the Utah Commission to do something which they have no legal authority to perform. Such action would be but a vain pretence of fairness, a "Liberal" sham, a mockery of political virtue. Let gentlemen of all shades of opinion unite in paving the way for a genuine test of legal voting strength in this city, and after a fair contest we will not only acquiesce in the result but do our best to support the successful candidate in lawful

efforts to govern the municipality, whatever may be their politics.

All we protest against is fraud and attempted fraud, by which the lawful majority may be robbed of their rights. We know this was done at Ogden, we know it is contemplated here. Let the nefarious methods resorted to in the Ogden case be rendered impossible in this city, and let all fair and just persons unite to make them so.

THE WEATHER.

THE question as to whether a warm summer follows an open winter is agitating a portion of the eastern press. It takes very little to produce an agitation and still less a discussion nowadays. Those who have kept track of the characteristics of the seasons for only a few years past can settle the question without any further controversy. Last winter was not an open one, to a great extent, and this is the hottest summer any living person ever saw, at least in the United States. The winter before was noted for its severity, the thermometer at times indicating from five to forty degrees below zero in elevated parts of Utah, and much more in other localities to the north and east. It will also be remembered that last summer was one of the pleasantest, especially of evenings, which the oldest inhabitant ever experienced.

All we can tell regarding future weather is at best a mere conjecture, a proceeding in which one person's opinion is apt to be as good as another's. There seems to be no absolute rule, at least none that has been disclosed to frail mortality, for definitely determining the action of the elements. Furious storms, intense heat, unusual cold, etc., are of course evolved from conditions and governed by laws, but as to what the conditions and the laws may be and what circumstances bring them into existence, the clown is about as wise as the savant, at least he gives as much satisfaction.

KEEP THIS IN MIND.

THE aim and object of the active members and whippers-in of the so-called "Liberal" party, is the disfranchisement of every member of the "Mormon" Church. No matter how much this may be denied or dodged by men of reputation and conservative opinions who train with that party, it is nevertheless a fact which is sometimes tacitly ad-

mitted and at others openly avowed by the agitators among them, and very frequently urged by their organ in this city.

At one time the polygamy question gave them some apparent excuse for the working of this scheme. They took advantage of the popular ignorance and the popular prejudice concerning this subject, and their success in procuring inimical legislation against Utah were the result of that advantage. Today they boast of what they have accomplished in this direction. That is, that they have succeeded in depriving of the ballot most of the leading spirits who pioneered the way for those who now enjoy the benefits of civilization in these mountains, and made it possible for their enemies to exist here and plot against them. Also that they have robbed of the elective franchise all the women of this Territory who had held and used it consistently for many years.

Without stopping to show the infamy of the work in which they exult as two steps toward their desired goal, let us consider the fact that they are still engaged in striving to effect their full object, namely the reduction of every "Mormon" to the condition of political serfdom. Of course they can offer sophistical but not very plausible excuses for their efforts. Never mind at present what they may be, it is the fact that should be held in view. Every person holding any sort of standing in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints should thoroughly understand this, and it should form a stimulus, if he needs any, to urge him to self-defense and to unite with his co-religionists for mutual support and the maintenance of the sacred rights which are still theirs to enjoy.

This is an undeniably fact: The objective point of every "Liberal" plot, speech, and anti-"Mormon" falsehood disseminated by type or telegraph, is the destruction of the franchise in "Mormon" hands, the political enslavement of the whole "Mormon" people. If they succeed in their persistent scheme no "Mormon," young, old or middle-aged will be able to vote at any election or hold any civil office, local or national. This has no actual relation to the polygamy question. It is the monogamists who are to be robbed of the right to vote. Politically polygamy now cuts no real figure. It is only its shadow that is held up as a hugaboo to the uninformed. The present project is directed