

FEMALE SUFFRAGE IN UTAH.

The female suffrage question is now fairly before the nation; its advocates are as earnest in their labors as if the salvation of the world depended upon their success, and the triumph of the movement, we believe, is only a question of time. The agitation of the question has reached the Rocky Mountains. In our neighboring Territory, Wyoming, the cause has triumphed; in Colorado the ladies are petitioning to have female suffrage legalized there. But success by piecemeal will not satisfy those who are acknowledged as the national leaders of the movement; nothing short of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to this effect will do for them, and this is now being eagerly sought; and as the Congressmen are noted, among other things, for their gallantry and their susceptibility to female charms, the adoption of such an amendment is not at all improbable.

We believe in the right of suffrage being enjoyed by all who can exercise it intelligently; but our lawmakers, in conferring this great power upon the recently emancipated black race, do not seem to regard intelligence as an indispensable pre-requisite; and we think the suffrage might be conferred with much greater propriety upon intelligent white women than upon ignorant blacks. The idea of female suffrage is regarded by many as peculiar to and having originated in these last days; but history tells us that a similar movement existed in ancient Greece when that nation was in the meridian of her splendor. If the right of suffrage was granted to the ladies then it certainly did not bring about the reforms considered necessary to preserve that nation from decadence, and whether it would in this is extremely doubtful. However, that is no reason that it should be withheld. We are a decided advocate of the rights of women as well as of men, and believe that the two are so intimately related that they cannot be enjoyed, to the fullest extent compatible with happiness and well-being, by either sex while the other labors under disability, however limited.

Universal white male suffrage has been more thoroughly tested in this country than in any other; but venality abounds, and thousands of votes are sold to the highest bidder, hence the results of the system are not so satisfactory as could be wished. Female suffrage might have a tendency to promote purity of elections, and its introduction at the ballot box be attended with results as satisfactory as the amalgamation of certain races in the growth and development of powerful nationalities. We believe it would, and we also think it probable that the power thus would place in the hands of women would be used for the benefit of their sex, and would be followed in time by legislation of such a character as would tend more to diminish prostitution and the various social evils which overwhelm society than anything hitherto devised under universal male suffrage.

The degraded condition of the women in this Territory is a very fruitful theme among our friends outside; in this respect as well as in many others they seem unmindful of, or callous to, the real evils around themselves, but very sensitive to imaginary ones at a distance. They are like the fabled worthy who, through admiring the splendor of the stars, became, or feigned to be, totally ignorant of the dirt, squalor and wretchedness of earth. This class, while mourning and sighing over the "degradation" of the ladies of Utah, and have suggested a plan for their emancipation from all "thralldom," polygamy included, and that remedy is the suffrage. The subject has been brought before the attention of Congress, and Senator Pomerooy, we believe, a short time ago introduced a bill to confer the suffrage on the ladies of Utah.

It may be gratifying to all outside who are anxious to learn that the availability of extending the suffrage to the ladies of Utah has been discussed considerably during the present session of the Territorial Legislature. In the House a few days ago, after an animated discussion on the subject, a committee was appointed to inquire into the propriety of its establishment in this Territory; on the 2nd instant the committee gave in their report, which was quite favorable, and on the 5th the House passed a bill to this effect, hence it is very probable that before the present session of the Legislature closes, female suffrage will be an accomplished fact in this Territory; then if, as our friends outside affirm, its exercise will "emancipate" the ladies of Utah, they will be masters, or rather mistresses of the situation. As for ourselves, we have no doubt as to the result, and are satisfied that it will strengthen the cause of Zion, polygamy included. In all matters pertaining to church government the sisters have always had the same right to vote as the brethren; but in civil matters they, here as elsewhere, have had no say;

but if this bill passes they will be their equals in that respect too. We are satisfied that the result will be exactly opposite to what our enemies anticipate. On the plural marriage question we are as firmly convinced as we are of our own existence that were its continuance or abolition put to the vote of the female portion of our population to-day it would be sustained by a nine-tenths majority; and upon this score, which has enlisted the mock sympathy of so many, no disadvantage to Zion's cause will ensue. In every other it cannot but result also in good. We have many friends around whose constant effort is to out-vote the "Mormons" at their municipal elections so that the discordant elements so overwhelmingly developed in municipal rule everywhere but in Zion might be introduced here. Many of our contemporaries boast that this consummation will soon be brought about now that direct rail communication exists between the cities of Utah and the East and West. We do not anticipate such a result; nevertheless the hope of our enemies in this respect may be realized. We do not believe, however, that the existence of our most cherished institutions depends on such a frail tenure as the possession of power by the female members of the Church to vote them down. If such be the case, we believe the ladies should have the power to exercise their agency, hence we desire to see the matter tested; and we hope that the bill passed by the House of Representatives of the Territorial Legislature, on Saturday, will be passed by the Council, believing that the result will be an additional proof to the world, that even with this power in their hands the ladies of Utah will remain true to their integrity, and then, as now, will sustain the priesthood, whether acting in a religious or civil capacity, in promoting the cause of Zion and the behests of Heaven.

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AFTERNOON DISPATCHES.

CONGRESSIONAL

SENATE. Georgia Accepts Conditions—No Penalties for Soldiers of 1862—Bills Introduced—Census Bill—Death of Representative Hoag—Bills to encourage Ocean Steam Postal Service—Submarine Cable between America and Asia, etc.

Morton presented resolutions from the Georgia Legislature accepting the conditions imposed by Congress, by changing the State Constitution and ratifying the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments. Edmunds, from the committee on pensions, reported adversely to paying the pensions of the soldiers of 1812. A number of bills were introduced and referred. On motion of Trumbull, the Senate took up the bill to relieve from opportunity and preserve the independence of the several departments of the Government. He explained that the judiciary committee had amended the bill as first introduced, by prohibiting recommendations altogether. Pomeroy, Schurz and Howard thought this too sweeping; and that for the present they must rely upon some body in making the appointments. Members of Congress were perhaps best fitted to act as advisers. Williams moved to amend the bill by prohibiting the judicial, military and naval officers as well as members of Congress, from recommending applicants.

The morning hour having expired, the Senate proceeded to consider the census bill from the House. The bill was read at length, also the Senate substitute, simply directing the Secretary of the Interior to change the schedules and blanks (or taking the enumeration of the inhabitants, and to make the same conform to the Constitution. Conkling spoke in favor of the Senate substitute, and adverted to the House bill.

McDonald, from the Postal Committee, reported favorable on the bill to encourage the establishment of a line of American steamships for the conveyance of U. S. mails to European and Asiatic ports, to promote immigration and reduce rates of ocean postage.

Cole introduced a bill to amend the act authorizing the establishment of ocean mail steamship service to the Hawaiian Islands and to extend the same to Australia. Stewart introduced a bill extending the provisions of the Civil Rights Act and for the enforcement of the 15th Amendment. Sumner offered a resolution, which was adopted, asking information with regard to bonds issued to the Pacific Railroad Companies. Corbett, from the Committee on commerce, reported, without amendment, a bill to encourage telegraphic communication between the Eastern and Western continents, which gives the American and Canadian Telegraph Company exclusive right for fourteen years to maintain a submarine cable to Asia, starting from a point south of Cape San Juan, Washington Territory. It also provides for the detaching of U. S. vessels to assist the promotion of the scheme. A message from the House announced the death of representative Hoag, whereupon Thurman and Sherman made appropriate addresses. The customary resolutions of condolence were adopted, when the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE. Important Postal Bill—Death of Hoag Announced, &c.

On the 28th of August last, Mr. N. H. Carlow came into our settlement as Assessor of Lincoln county, Nevada. He required a list of our taxable property for assessment in that county. He stated, as a reason for his demand, that United States commission for establishing the boundary line between Utah and Nevada would be through here in a few days, and that reports had reached him that there was but little doubt of our being in Nevada. Further, he said that the time allowed by the law of Nevada, for the assessment of taxes had nearly expired, and perhaps it might save him considerable trouble and expense to make the assessment then.

Said Carlow, did not claim that the assessment was legal, unless the adjustment of the boundary line should establish the fact that we were citizens of Nevada. The citizens of Eagle and Spring Valley did not see the necessity of this premature assessment in the light Mr. Carlow did. They placed in his hands a written protest against his proceedings, of which a copy was retained. This protest stated in substance that we were still citizens of Utah Territory; and should continue to consider ourselves as such, until the boundary line between Utah and Nevada was established by proper authority, when, if we were set off to Nevada, as law abiding citizens, we should pay our taxes to that State, and, further, that at present we did not recognize the right of the State of Nevada or any portion of it to assume jurisdiction over us. This protest Mr. Carlow agreed to file, with his returns, to the proper authorities of Lincoln county. Some time previous to the appearance of Mr. Carlow, we had been assessed, as usual, by the assessor of Iron county, with the expectation, on his part of taking no farther action in the matter until the boundary line was established.

The supposed commission for defining the boundary line between Utah and Nevada, proved to be Lt. Wheeler's exploring party, and we supposed the subject would be allowed to rest until we were properly notified as to our future condition. In October following, notices requiring the payment of taxes, dated Hiko, Oct. 15th, 1869, and signed, Peter Good, fellow county treasurer, and addressed to the tax payers of Lincoln county, were sent to our settlements to be posted. On the 20th inst. a Mr. Ritter, claiming to be sheriff of Lincoln Co, appeared in our settlements, and served writs on the tax payers of Eagle and Spring valleys wherein they are required to appear, in the Justice's court, township of Hiko Lincoln Co, on the 23rd of Feb. 1870, to answer complaint of the State of Nevada, wherein it uses for the recovery of delinquent taxes for 1869, with ten per cent interest thereon, per delinquent. Mr. Ritter acknowledged that he failed to comprehend the legality of this proceeding, but stated that he was only carrying out the instructions of those under whose orders he was required to act.

He was fully advised that it would not be wisdom to attempt to enforce the collection of such taxes, until we became citizens of Nevada, when there would be no necessity of doing so, as we were a law abiding people. This is a short and simple statement of the facts in these novel proceedings. They speak for themselves. Respectfully, Your brother in the Gospel, JAMES A. LITTLE.

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Special Notices. DRIED PACKS taken for a good article of Butter, at G. W. Davis'. COAL OIL for sale in one gallon cans at low figures, at G. W. Davis'. Cheapest and Best Family Soap in town look for the name on each bar, G. W. Davis'. Two doors North of Kimball & Lawrence's. All the Grocers in Utah (nearly) sell Gillet's Baking Powder, and it is not surpassed in Quality or Cheapness, by ANY POWDER IN THIS OR ANY OTHER MARKET. WANTED.—A Situation by a young man from the East, of long experience in business—wishes to be paid according to capacity for making himself useful. Address B. at this Office. d61-1w

BURNETT'S Standard Toilet Preparations once obtained, will speak for themselves.—Charlotte (S.C.) Mercury. BURNETT'S COLOGNE WATER is put up in a neat and elegant style and wins for itself a favorite place on the dressing table. BURNETT'S COCAININ dresses the hair perfectly without greasing, drying, or stiffening it. BURNETT'S Flavoring Extracts for culinary use, excel in quality.—Chicago Journal. BRONCHITIS, OR ASTHMA.—Those who suffer from this distressing complaint, are reminded of Whitcomb's Remedy. Gillet's Flavoring Extracts are known to the Trade, from Chicago to the Pacific. All Grocers and Druggists keep them. "None as good as Dooley's." "Don't wish for better." "Better than any other we have used." "Like it much." "Can't speak too highly of it." "There can be no fault found with it." "Can testify to its superiority." "Don't use any other." These are a few quotations from the hundreds of testimonials in favor of DOOLEY'S BAKING POWDER, which is the only chemically pure, harmless, healthy and nutritious article of the kind in market. For Sale by Grocers.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. THEATRE. Lessees and Managers... H. H. Clawson & J. T. Cannon CONTINUED SUCCESS Of the Favorite Artiste. KATE DENIN! Mr. JOHN WILSON As Prince of Wales D. McKENZIE, as HOTSPUR! P. MARCETTS, as FALSTAFF! THIS EVENING, TUESDAY, FEB. 3. Will be presented, Shakespeare's Great Historical Play, in 5 Acts, entitled KING HENRY IV! Or, FALSTAFF IN WAR. Lady Percy..... KATE DENIN Prince of Wales..... Mr. John Wilson Hotspur..... Mr. D. McKenzie Doors open at 6 1/2 o'clock. Performance to commence at 7. To-morrow Eve., BENEFIT OF PROF. GEO. CARELESS! GRAND VARIETY BILL.

BYANS' LONDON PORTER, ARROL'S SCOTCH ALE, and SANDS' CHICAGO STOCK ALE. On Draught at Salt Lake Billiard Room. d280-2m

OYSTERS! OYSTERS!! JOE SIMMONS, PROPRIETOR "REVERE HOUSE SALOON," IS receiving daily, Fresh Oysters direct from Baltimore. Also Pig's Feet, Calves' Tongues, Old English and Scotch Ale and Porter; Brewed, Beas & Co.'s celebrated Ale, Waggoner's Ale and Lager Beer, Golden Crown Cigars, Premium Fine Cut Tobacco; in fact, to speak seriously you must call and see and taste for yourself. d174-1r

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. THE undersigned hereby give notice that they have been appointed, by the Probate Court of Wasatch County, administrators of the estate of Chesney W. West, deceased. All persons having claims, and those known to themselves included, will please make it known that the estate may be settled at an early day. MARY WEST, JOHN HOAGLAND, LESTER I. HERRICK, JOHN SHARP. d65-3

NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION. THE Citizens of Salt Lake City will please take notice, that an election will be held at the City Hall, on MONDAY, the 14th day of February, 1870, for the purpose of electing the following members and officers of the City Council: viz., one Mayor, five Aldermen, nine Councilors, one Recorder, one Treasurer and one Marshal. Polls to be open at 8 o'clock A.M. ROBERT CAMPBELL, City Recorder. Salt Lake City, Jan. 31st, 1870. d38-1d

JUST RECEIVED. THE finest stock of WAGON TIMBER, and ALL MATERIAL ever imported to this City, also material for FIFTY BUGGY and COMMON WHEELS, BOB SLINGS, BUNTERS and SHOES. A portion will be sold at a small advance for cash down. Terms, pay on delivery of work, without deviation. J. C. LITTLE, Agent for Co-operative Manufactory. D ec. 29th, 1869. d28-1r

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. W. C. Staines, John Reading, Wm. Wagstaff. STAINES & CO., Importers and Growers of SEEDS. The largest and finest lot of seeds ever offered to the public. WARRANTED GENUINE.

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CHOICE COLLECTION OF FLOWER SEEDS. SEED DEPOT, STAINES & CO., West Side East Temple St., opposite Bishop Hunter's. P.O. Box 295, S. L. City. d65-1w-1

ESTRAY. I HAVE in my possession one Bay HORSE, about 7 or 8 years old, one white hind foot, some white in forehead and on tip of nose; branded on inside of on left chest and shoulder. Said horse came in this place some time in July. The owner is requested to come and prove property and take him away. J. H. ROBINSON, 064-2 w1-1

BEES!! BEES!!! W. D. ROBERTS, OF PROVO, who has been so successful in bringing Bees into the Territory, has gone East for the purchase and forwarding of Bees. Orders and cash will be received at Bassett & Roberts's Store up to the 15th of March, at \$2.50 a hive. Bees to be delivered at any station on the Utah Central R. R., in good condition. Anyone wishing the Illustrated Bee Journal, published by N. C. Mitchell, Indianapolis, Ind., can get it by forwarding address and two dollars to Messrs. Bassett & Roberts, Salt Lake City. For further particulars apply to the above firm, A. F. McDonald, Provo, or James McGraw, Ogden. d65-1 w1-2

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Z.C.M.I. COLUMN. RETAIL DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT.

Various small advertisements for retail goods and services.

STAINES & CO. various advertisements and notices.

STAINES & CO. SEED DEPOT advertisement.

ESTRAY notice.

CASH advertisement.

BALTIMORE COPPER CO. advertisement.

LONGSTREET & SEDGWICK advertisement.

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