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 Presidential contest of 1860 approached，it
was felt in both sides that the final struggle was at hand．
But in the early part of the month of Octo－
ber， 1859, a small band of reckless and
fanatical spirita fanatical spirits were quietly preparing for a
movement which was to result in the precipi－ tation of this final struggle，to render its
postponement no longer possible．Jonn Brown，of Osawotamie，was their leader，and
they numbered twenty－two men，wite and
black．Their hearta were as barren of fear as of prudence，their souls were fired with a
fancied mission；－a new republic，bseed fancied mission；－－a new republic，based up
universal freedom and impartial justice，w， universal freedom and impartial ju
the dream of their crazy brains；and
this new and true republic out of the this new and true republic out of the old and
false one，they raised their puny arms and
faced Virgind the night of Sunday，October 16 ， 16,
they fell like a thunderbolt upon the vil． lagg of Harpor＇s Ferry．Two men were killed
by them，they maintained their position until by them，they maintained their position un
the following Tuesday，and when the re
nants of the band were captured，thirte of them were already dead，and old John
Brown，their leader，was covered with sabre and bayonet scars and fainting from loss of
blood．The patriotic and constitutional Wise
and his subordinates made short work with and his subordinates made short work with
such of the fanatioal crew as fell into their hands．Treason against the State of Virginin
overshadowed the charge of murder in the
indictment upon which they were tried，and indictment upon which they were tried，and
for these joint offenses they suffered death upon the scaffold before the close of the year．
Ten years，lacking a few days only，have
passed since the solemn quiet of that Sabbath evening in Ootober was disturbed by the clamor of John Brown＇s band，and into this
decade has been crowded a grand historical each year seems like a decade within itsalf．
The attempt at securing the stronghold slavery by disrupting the Union has been iog curse has been utterly and thoroughly
eradicated．The nation has undergone the terrible ordeal of purification and rehabilita tion by the sword，has emerged from the
ordeal the true Republic which was the bright ordeal to true Repuby which whas Brown and
and dlorious vision by which Jow
his followers were lured into the very jaws o his followers were lured into the very jaws of
death．And most noticeable of all the event Whiou have marked given yesterdany，just on
the solemn assent
the eve of the tenth anniversary of John Brown＇s raid，by the Legislature of Virgini
to the amendments to the Federal Constitu to the amendments to the Federal Constitu
tion which oonfirm the verdict of the wa
and declare in effect that univeral freedon and impartial justice are the groundwork of our syatem，the corner－stone
which the founders cast aside．

The TEMPERANOE TIOKET． A morning contemporary complains that thi
journal＂uneonsciously did the temperance names as Temperance candidates＂in the tabular and statistical statement illustrative
of the coming election which we publishod of the coming election which we published
yesterday．The article referred to was
Trras arranged as a maveid，as careflly an possible，a partisan
bias of any description，and to give intelli－ gible，impartial，and complete information The tidket referred to is called the＂Independ
ent Reform Party Tieket，＂but as this nam ont Reform Party Tioket，＂but as this nam
does not convey to the general render a defi nite idea of the professed purposes of th
men who placed it in the field，we adopte men who placed it in the fiela，we adopte
emanated from a so－oanled Temperanos Con－
vention，composed of delogatos elooted ox－
elusively by tomperance organizations，which， elusively by tomperance organizations，which，
at its sessions in Concert Hall，
of resselations denone a sories at its sespions in Concort Hall，passed a series
of reeolutions denouncing the＂rum traffio＂
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ceesity of a new party，＂based upon temper－
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ance and moral principles，＂and advocating
the election of candidates of＂strict sobriety，＂ the election of candididetes，of＂strict sobrioty，
and unequivocall in favor of prohibiting the
niquor traftle．Whils it depided to iquor traftle．While it decided to call the
proposed organization the＂Independent Re－
form Party．＂it gave prominence in all its
proceedings to the temperance idea；and even form Party，＂it gave prominence in
proceedings to the temperance idea；and ev
now，in its cirroulars，it announces that one
its main purpose its min purrosese is to＂cheock the increase
immorality，drunkenness，and crime．＂
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nature of his prospects by his recent state－
ments that he will remain in the field even if
he＂should only get one vote．＂But whet
he vote or one thousand，they are nevertheless
candidates for the officess named，and their
platform is more faithfully represented by the platform is more faithfully represented by tho
word we used＂Temprance，＂than by tho
title they had chosen，＂Independent Reform．＂ VICE－PRESIDENT COLFAX oN THE
MORMONS． Vice
hime
trip
durin
deno hip over the Pacific Railroad，took occasion，
during his recent visit to Salt
denoun from the Book of Mormon to prove that the
practice was uawise and illegal，and that it
ought practice was unwise and Tlegal，and hoition
ooght to be abolisho．．The oftical posithe vice－President will give his words
of the
greater weight with the people of Solt greater weight with the peoppe of Salt Larke
than those of an ordinary citizen，and that
such utterances should be made in the strong－ hold of Mormonism by the second officer of
the United States is asiginitant sign of the
times．Heretofore Brigham Young ond his times．Heretofore Brigham Young and his
followers have mannaged to brave the whole
power of the Government，and to manage things after their own fashion，without much
fear that they would be interfered with．They were intrenched behind the mountan fast－
neesses and the great deserts that intervened between them and civilization，and were able
to defy both law and public opinion．The Pacific Railroad，however，has now destroyed
their isolation，and the future of Mormonism is an interesting problem．Brigham Young，
who has kept the system from falling to
pieces by the force of his piec undoubted genius for organization and
command，is now advanced in life，and serious trouble has already commenced in the
CCurch trongh the attacks upon polygamy
made by the sons of Curch brough the attacks upon polygamy
made by the sons of Josepp Smith，who
claim as their own the position that Brigham
bode holds．
It would seem from the signs of the times
that Mormonism can scarcely last，under its present system of management at least，for
many more years；but the whole career of the
Church of the Latter Day Saints has Church of the Latter Day Saints has been so
exceptional and so outside of ordinary rules，
Othet it is that it is impossible to predicate anything of
its future．One thing is certain，that as the United States is able now to assert its an－
thority in Salt Lake valley，a determined effort
should be made to break up the pre polygany，even if it causes another exodus；
and if the Mormons do conclude to make an－ other move rather than abandon their beastly
practices，they should be driven beyond the
limits of the United limits of the United States，and given to un－
derstand，for themselves and others，that
hereat hereafter no plea for religious liberty will be
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grading in admitted in extenuation of crimes and de－
grading onstoms such as they are guilty of．
The speech of The speech of Mr．Colfaxa is a t timely of warn－
ing to the Mormon leaders as to what they may expect in the not far distant future；and
if Brigham Young is as far－sighted it Brigham Young is as far－sighted as he has
the credit of being，he will make prepara－
tions to meet the inevitable onslaught of

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