

THE TOWN COMPANY SALE.

THE NEWS is pleased to learn through Mr. Allison's card that the Town Company has at last sold out its belongings in the city of Grand Junction. It is the culmination of an event which this community has long hoped and prayed for.

The company has long since passed its day of usefulness and in many respects the old rotten corporation has had a baneful influence in both city and county affairs. We are glad it is to be closed out and a new organization and new blood is to come into our midst with the money to advertise and push every interest of the city forward.

We are further pleased to learn from the same source that the new company contemplates a number of large enterprises which we hope will eventually be carried out. Undertakings such as are contemplated take time and plenty of money and right now it is enough to know that the Town company has sold out.

We all hope that the new company will build the smelter and electric railway; if it does not some other company or companies will, because such enterprises must and will come. THE NEWS long since pointed out the possibilities for these schemes and only democratic free trade and hard times and the populist tendencies of our people prevented capital from undertaking them years ago. With the incoming of republican prosperity these things have become possible and we wish it distinctly understood that this paper will give the new company every encouragement in its power. We believe in progress and it has been the experience of this valley and city that we must have capital or we cannot progress. We will go further and promise them that this paper will not assist to entrap them into any scheme which will deprive them of their rights after they get their capital invested, as Mr. Allison and his Town company have done in the fight against the Water company.

What we wish the people to understand is that Mr. Allison has been in the habit of springing just such schemes as this on the eve of every election, city or county, in order to convey the idea that he is the great savior of the country, and his eloquents take them up and use them for all they are worth to elect men to office who will carry out his wishes. And that is just what they are doing now. Our people have been fooled too often in the past not to look with suspicion upon any announcement coming from that quarter.

The voters are going to elect republican county officers this fall who will encourage the development of our resources—men who will encourage capital as well as settlers to come to our valley to help build it up without a condition of political reciprocity. The republican candidates are broad and liberal minded enough to see more than one side of a question and who will be on the watch to further the interests of the people by the practice of close economy.