

PREVALENCE OF CRIME.

The rapidity and regularity with which the accounts of murder and other heinous crimes follow each other in this State is frightful. What is the reason that crime seems to be on the increase? Is it because there is a lack of moral education, guiding and directing youth, or because the wholesome restraints of the law are not used to troll human passions by the fear of punishment. Probably both these causes operate, the latter, however, more apparently than the former. It cannot be denied that the influence of the Christian religion, no matter in what form, has much to do with purifying society and controlling evil passions. The small per centage of murderous crimes in Ireland is a proof of this position. The people of that island are full of religious enthusiasm and yet, with a population of six millions there are fewer murders committed in Ireland, annually, than in the State of Oregon with a possible population of one hundred and fifty thousand. This is an alarming statement but it is true and in looking for a solution it will not answer to say that we are a young community on the outpost of civilization as the same of comparison can be made with other and older American States. It must be admitted that there is some defect in the moral and religious education of the people; a general tendency to universal license out of which is evolved a disregard for mutual rights. Laxity in the administration of laws, made for the restraint of the vicious and the protection of the weak against the strong is due, undoubtedly, to a false conception of the object of law itself and to a maudlin and false philanthropy. The penitentiary has no terrors. The gallows is a thing rarely used, and there is a universal despotism among juries to exercise the widest leniency on the plea that the taking of one life will not compensate for the taking of another. It is noticeable that in eight cases out of ten, crime is committed under the influence of liquor, and while we have salutary laws on the statute book, they are not enforced. Our youth are debauched by being allowed to frequent saloons. Idleness and dissipation are fostered clearly defined shadow of the boy. Temperance and morality are worth more to society than penitentiaries and gallows, and it looks as if society can protect itself better by prevention than by punishment.

RUNNING A NEWSPAPER.

It makes an editor smile to see the large number of people who think they can run a paper so much better than any one else. Usually, the weaker the mind of the deluded individual, the stronger the conviction that he is just the man to run his county paper. The diversity of opinion as to the mode, among the self selected editors is remarkable. One wants "more spice," or, in other words he wants the editor "de facto" to give pain to people, good neighbors, perhaps that he dare not indict himself. Another wants "less spice," forgetting that the tastes of people differ and what is one man's meat is another man's poison. A third wants a stronger dose, "no milk and water in his'n" and when his own character is closely analyzed he will be found to be one of those who do their own fighting by proxy. It would be hard to fit the editorial harness to the growlers who think themselves fitted for the profession. It would be too big for, some—too small for others, and all would find the collar galling. It is the knowledge of this fact that makes the true editor smile at the trouble of his readers till he becomes more and more convinced that perfect independence, self poise and determination to please only himself is his only safe course.

A correspondent of the "Tidings" from Josephine county says: "The leading issue with the citizens of Josephine is the annexation to Jackson. Taxation continues to increase at a ratio that must soon bankrupt the property holders, unless we are annexed to some other county. The assessed valuation of taxable property is considerably less than \$200,000, and bids fair to grow smaller. To try to keep up a county organization, with a full corps of county officials, on such an assessment is bound to prove a ruinous experiment. And for the citizens of the lower end of the county to still fight annexation, (as I learn that they do fight it) is only another illustration of how short-sighted is selfishness." We believe the only objection that could be urged in the large district of Josephine county and if that were cancelled the proposition for county co-partnership would probably be favorably considered by a majority of the people of both counties.

IMPORTANT DECISION IN REFERENCE TO MINERAL LANDS.

Washington, June 3d.—The following circular has just been issued by the Commissioner of the General Land Office. It will be most important news to settlers on the mineral belt of California:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, June 2, 1880. To Registers and Receivers—Gentlemen: Your attention is directed to the following letter from Hon. Carl Schurz, Secretary of Interior:

WASHINGTON, April 22, 1880. "Sir: I have received your letter of the 16th instant, calling my attention to the withdrawals heretofore made under the direction of my predecessor, Hon. C. Delano, and setting forth at length the difficulties which arise in the adjustment of homestead and pre-emption claims on account of said withdrawals, and recommending, in view of such difficulties, that the present policy and practice of throwing the burden of proof upon agricultural claimants be reversed; that the applicant for such entry be required to make the non-mineral affidavit required as aforesaid, and that this be deemed sufficient in the absence of the alleged mineral character of the claim; that if a party does allege in proper form that the land is valuable for minerals, he should be required to affirmatively prove the fact, instead of in every case, with or without such allegation, requiring every settler to prove an expensive negative.

"You further recommend that the withdrawals heretofore made as aforesaid be revoked, in order to remove the restriction upon bona fide agricultural settlements, and to place such lands in a condition where they can be occupied, purchased and developed.

"I have carefully considered the recommendations made by you for the reasons stated, and have to say that they meet my approval.

"You are therefore instructed to so modify the instructions of your office as to conform to said recommendations, and you are also instructed to revoke the orders of withdrawal mentioned by you, in order that the restrictions thereby made upon agricultural settlements of the lands may be removed.

Very respectfully,
C. SCHURZ, Secretary.

"To the Commissioner of the General Land Office."

The recommendations to the Hon. Secretary, upon which his said approval was based, are, in brief and in substance, that immense tracts of land are now, and for several years last past have been, officially designated as mineral lands; that as a matter of fact but an exceedingly small part of this entire large tract is mineral; that these withdrawn lands are subject to entry under the homestead, pre-emption and other laws providing for the sale of agricultural lands only after a hearing in every case wherein the burden of proof lies upon the agricultural applicant to establish that the tract claimed is non-mineral; that it is thus rendered exceedingly easy to cause such applicant great expense, delay and vexation; that the expense, embarrassment and delay actually incident to the course hitherto pursued operate to discourage and prevent settlement on such lands; that the timber on these lands is being largely taken on the claim that they are mineral lands; and that the vast tracts so designated and which are capable of supporting many thousands of settlers, adding largely to the productions of the country and contributing to its better progress, are not only for the most part practically reserved from sale under any law, but being so secured it becomes easier for a party to fraudulently enter as agricultural a tract which he may discover to be valuable for minerals, than for a bona fide settler to secure patent for agricultural land. All of such withdrawals heretofore made of lands in your district are hereby revoked; and when any party applies to enter any tract under any of the laws relating to agricultural lands, he will be required to make the usual non-mineral affidavit, which in the absence of any allegation that the land is mineral, will be deemed sufficient. Should affidavits be filed with you, properly alleging any tract sought to be entered as aforesaid to be mineral, you will, after due notice, hold a hearing to determine the facts. In such cases the burden of proof will rest upon the party who alleges the land to be valuable for minerals, and he must affirmatively prove his allegations.

It is expected that you will exercise all possible care in respect to this matter, and endeavor to carefully and conscientiously maintain and advance the purpose of the Department and this office, to-wit: to enable the public lands which are in fact agricultural to be occupied and purchased without oppressive conditions, and to prevent lands which are in fact valuable for minerals from being taken except under the special laws applicable thereto.

Very respectfully,
J. A. WILLIAMSON,
Commissioner.

Plating machines, polishing irons, clothes wringers, wire clothes lines, and scrubbing brushes at John Miller's.

REPUBLICAN NOMINEES.

After a prolonged session the national Republican Convention at Chicago on the 8th inst., nominated the Hon. James A. Garfield, at present United States Senator from Ohio, for President, and Gen. Chester A. Arthur of New York for Vice President.

We believe this action of the convention has settled the question as to the Presidency for the next four years. These gentlemen both stand high not only in the Republican party but in the esteem and confidence of the whole nation and will surely be elected. With them as its standard bearers the Republican party will go into the contest united and full of courage and hope. Gen. Garfield was born in Orange, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, November 19th, 1831 and is consequently in his 49th year. He graduated at Williams College Massachusetts in 1856 and was afterwards president of a literary institution for several years. Then studied law and since his admission to the bar has practiced his profession except when called away from it to attend to official duties. He was a member of the Ohio State Senate of 1859 and 1860, entered the Union Army in 1861 as colonel of the 42d Ohio volunteers and was after three years active service promoted to the rank of Major General Sept. 20th, 1863. He was afterwards successively elected to the 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42d and 43d Congresses, and served in the House with such distinguished ability and patriotism that he became the acknowledged leader of his party. He is now U. S. Senator from Ohio and one of the most prominent members of the Senate. Although he has been prominently before the public for many years during a period of the most bitter political feeling, we believe his honesty and patriotism have never been questioned; and if elected as we sincerely hope and believe he will be we shall witness an honest, straightforward and efficient administration of public affairs. His associate on the ticket for Vice President General Arthur is also a prominent citizen and a man of reputation for ability and moral worth. For many years he has been a distinguished member of the Republican organization and deserves the warmest support. This is but a brief and necessarily imperfect sketch of the two men who have been chosen by the Republican party for the two highest stations in the gift of the people, we shall give them our most cordial support and believe they will receive the cordial support of all true Republicans with this their triumphant election next November is assured.

CRESCENT CITY ROAD.

The accounts from the survey of the projected road from Waldo to Crescent City are still most favorable. We hope that our farmers, who are especially interested in this work, will not forget that they will soon be called on to contribute towards it. It has been fully demonstrated that an actual saving, annually, of more than \$30,000 will be made to this county in the costs of freight and as this is equivalent to our whole taxation it will be strange indeed if our people are unwilling to take steps to save it. We address farmers particularly; the merchants and mechanics of this place have contributed liberally, while they belong to the class that is least benefited. Any intelligent farmer must understand that the price of goods in this market is governed by their cost in reaching here. If the cost can be reduced \$20 per ton the price will decline in a proportionate ratio and the merchant still enjoy the legitimate profit, that he must have under any circumstances. It is evident, then, that the consumer alone, is gainer by the reduction. There is another good reason why the farmers of this valley are more deeply interested than any other class. They are the producers; and production without a market is a waste of labor. If this road is built, opening a short and direct route to San Francisco, it will not only cheapen every article imported here but will afford a market for every surplus pound of flour and stimulate production. Profitable production enhances the value of land and this alone should prompt our land owners to assist in any enterprise that will enable them to till their land with profit instead of continuing the impoverishing process that has been going on for so many years. Our farmers should look at this question seriously, like business men, and by putting their shoulders to the wheel, help themselves.

SACRIFICED.

Last week we remarked that Mr. Reames was to be swapped off in precincts outside of Jacksonville for votes for Mr. Kippel. If the vote of Ashland and one or two other precincts is analyzed it looks as if we had been correct.



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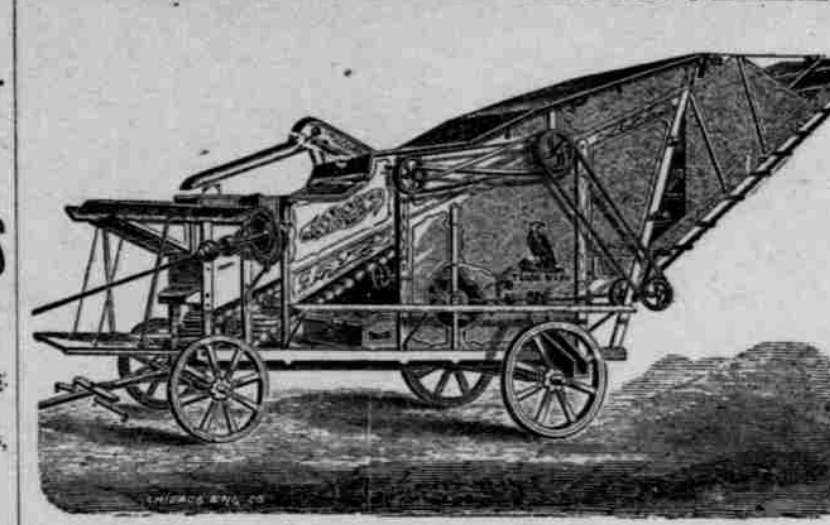
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