

THE McMAHON CASE.

The report that Wm. McMahon, the young man who is now under bonds upon the charge of murdering his father, has left the country, whether true or not, has served to bring that case again to the front in a manner little calculated to advance the judicial reputation of the magistrate who committed him. It will be remembered that the coroner's jury which was summoned to inquire into the cause of the death of this young man's victim, after a careful and thorough examination rendered a unanimous verdict to the effect that his death was caused by the intentional act of the accused. Upon this verdict being placed in possession of Esquire Root of Ashland precinct, a warrant was issued for his arrest and the case was further inquired into by that magistrate. The result of his deliberations was, that the accused be held to bail in the sum of five hundred dollars to appear before the grand jury at the next term of Court. The charge upon which the prisoner was examined was that of killing his father. Unless the judicial acumen of Esquire Root has revealed some new rules regulating domestic relations which renders the killing of a father by his son something less of a crime than is attached to the same act among other individuals, he has certainly committed a blunder which his common sense, to say nothing of legal knowledge, should have prevented. The defense interposed by the prisoner was that of self defense. Upon this issue he was examined. He was either guilty or innocent of the charge upon which he was arraigned. If guilty, he must have been guilty, under our statute, either of murder in the first or second degree, or manslaughter. Without inquiring into the extent of the crime it may be, for the present, admitted that under the evidence adduced before the Justice, it was manslaughter. But how a Justice of the Peace in the full possession of ordinary faculties could consistently fix the bail under a charge of manslaughter is a question which it is not necessary to discuss. Human life must indeed be valued very cheap in Jackson county when such a sum as this is deemed sufficient recompense for the escape of a person guilty of such a crime. Or is it possible that the recent course of criminal justice in this county has been such that, in the estimation of Esquire Root, this sum was sufficient to overbalance the criminals fear of justice? However this may be it is manifestly unsafe to commit our criminals to the hands of a magistrate who has so low an estimate of human life or so high an estimate of money. There appears to be some prospect that the Roseburg and Coos Bay railroad will be undertaken in earnest by some Boston capitalists. Several gentlemen representing a Boston company are now on their way to Coos Bay to make a thorough investigation of the matter. The company controls a large tract of coal lands in the vicinity of the bay and proposes to build this road as an outlet. The whole of Southern Oregon will be benefited by the building of this road, but especially Roseburg and the Umpqua. We take pleasure in congratulating our neighbors upon the prospects presented by this enterprise and hope that the road may be soon begun and speedily completed. Green B. Raum, Commissioner of Internal revenue, has resigned. There are various rumors afloat as to the cause of his resignation and the one most generally accepted is, that his resignation was brought about in order to put a damper on the Presidential prospects of Senator Logan. Raum secured his appointment through the influence of the Illinois Senator and was doing all he could to further the ambition of his patron. No appointment has yet been made to fill the vacancy occasioned by this resignation. Secretary Lincoln, says a Washington dispatch, declines to authorize the expenditure of \$210,000 appropriated for the improvement of the Sacramento and Feather rivers. The wisdom of such an appropriation may be exceeding questionable, but the Secretary seems to be stretching matters a little in thus constituting himself a court of review upon the acts of Congress. This action may be very popular in the East but it is not likely to make him many friends on this side of the mountains. Over 200,000 pounds of manufactured tobacco was shipped out of St. Louis on the 2nd. Several special trains loaded entirely with tobacco were sent out carrying shipments to all parts of the country.

ABOUT HOGS.

The action of the German government in prohibiting the importation of American pork is one of the most arbitrary and inexcusable measures of which that very arbitrary government has recently been guilty. The pretended reason upon which this measure was founded, and which that government took great pains to publish to the world, is that American pork is dangerous as food on account of trichina. The presence of this little parasite in pork, not only American but German and English as well, has long been an acknowledged fact. That it is poisonous and has been known to produce death, is also well authenticated. But it is equally well known that cooking pork effectively destroys these parasites and renders the meat not only harmless but wholesome. If American pork only, was thus affected there might be some reason in the position of Germany; but it is well known that trichina was plentifully found in German pork and that trichinosis was by no means unknown in Germany long before any pork from America had been shipped to that country. Neither has the shipment of our pork had the effect of increasing the spread of that disease. It is perfectly plain, notwithstanding the clumsy attempt of the German government to conceal the real truth, that the only purpose of the embargo laid upon our hog, was the protection of home productions. This is the light in which the press and people of this country regard the matter and measures are accordingly being taken to retaliate upon Germany, not as a means of positive gain to ourselves as much as to teach the arbitrary Emperor a little lesson in American independence and at the same time assert our own self respect. Minister Sargent has reported a great many interesting facts to this government touching the feeling in Germany and showing the real causes of the exclusion measures which they have adopted. For this he has been severely censured not only by the German press, but by some of our Eastern papers. This is a poor reward for his fidelity and watchfulness and the charge that Sargent has been playing the spy is sufficiently answered, if in fact any answer is needed, by the fact that his greater part of his information was obtained from German newspapers and the remarks such only as any intelligent and observant person might have obtained. One German paper goes so far in its criticism of Minister Sargent as to demand his recall, which shows that American newspapers do not possess a monopoly of journalistic cheek any more than our hogs contain all the trichina.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Eight European steamers landed 6,243 immigrants at Castle Garden last week. On account of the reduction in the tobacco tax, cigar makers are demanding an increase of wages. The latest Democratic Presidential ticket is headed by Senator McDonald of Indiana and tailed by John P. Stockton of New Jersey. A steamer arrived at Boston on the 29th with 1,200 steerage passengers nearly all of whom had been sent here at the expense of the British government. Ex-President Diaz got mad the other day because, as he said, the newspapers lied about him. He does not seem to know the difference between a lie and a guess. As a matter of news it is perhaps proper to remark that the lawyers for the government in the star route trial are now engaged in presenting the case to the jury. The President of Mexico has sent a special message to Congress asking permission to negotiate a loan of two or three million dollars to meet the expenses of government. It is rumored that some dynamite fiends have threatened to blow up the Brooklyn bridge if it is dedicated on the 24th. The reason assigned is that that is Queen Victoria's birth day. Seven hundred mormon recruits arrived at Council Bluffs on the 29th on their way to Salt Lake. And yet some people are trying to persuade themselves that the polygamy ulcer will heal itself. The members of the Royal household of England were terribly torn up the other day by the sudden discovery that all the keys of Windsor Castle had been stolen. No clue has so far been obtained to the solution of this singular occurrence. Cyclones have recently been doing great damage in Mississippi and Louisiana. The loss of life and property has been very great. In some instances whole neighborhoods were completely depopulated and all buildings destroyed within a few hours.

CAPITAL AND LABOR.

The real relation of labor to capital is a matter upon which the political economist have puzzled themselves and mystified their readers, ever since the science of political economy has been known. One writer pronounces it an "irrepressible conflict" maintained on the one side by the unreasoning arrogance of wealth which seeks to increase itself at the expense of the muscle and brain of the less fortunate part of humanity, and on the other, by an oppressed assemblage of individuals striving by every means in their power, fair and foul alike, to wring from their unwilling masters some share of the profits of their labor. Others again, shape their theories to suit an ideal state of society and seek to show that these apparently antagonistic elements, are in reality only separate parts of a harmonious whole and that at the bottom their demands are identical. Individual selfishness and personal ambition could be eliminated the problem would cease to puzzle. Great undertakings, such as have characterized the last half of this century, cannot be carried out without an aggregation of capital. Capital must be united in order to secure sufficient power to effect great commercial enterprises. When this power is once secured there is great danger that the selfishness and ambition of those who control it will render it oppressive as well as protective. This is no argument against the policy of encouraging these aggregations of capital, any more than the fact that an educated criminal is more dangerous to society than on ignorant one, is an argument against our common schools. No one pretends to deny the right of capitalists to organize these aggregations of wealth, and no one refuses to admit the great good which such an arrangement usually produces. But no enterprise of any material benefit to the country can be conducted without the assistance of labor. All this wealth is useful only as the motive power of mental and muscular labor. Capital is thus put in the position of soliciting the assistance of labor, and it is only by reason of the present possession of greater power, that its invitations are too often commands. The selfishness of capital economizes itself by reducing labor to the lowest possible price, and with organization on one side and disorganization on the other, that price will be regulated on the basis of bare existence to the laborer. It is this weakness and the advantage which capital has made of it, which long ago set the laborers to imitate the example of their employers and secure to themselves the advantage of union. For each man to oppose his individual effort against the strong arm of the money power was worse than useless, but for labor to present a united front against the oppression of selfishness and ambition was not only right but must prove effective. If it is right for capital to unite and declare that it will only pay so much for labor, is it not equally right for labor to unite and declare that it will pay only so much for capital? In all this there is nothing of offence, or riot, or bloodshed. If any number of men unite upon a solemn agreement to perform certain work for a stipulated price only, there is certainly no crime committed and any one who violates the compact, unless upon the strongest necessity, may be justly regarded as a traitor, and not to be trusted. And if these men carry their efforts one step farther, and persuade other workmen to quit work and join them in an effort to secure better wages is there still any wrong done or crime committed? Crimes must of course be punished; and any forcible interference by one man with the right of another should feel the penalty of the law. But the fact that "strikers" sometimes resort to lawlessness is no excuse for condemning the whole system and theory of "Trades Unions" any more than the abuses of corporations justifies a limit to the acquisition of wealth. There is a grade of wheat raised in this state called the "goose wheat." It has a hard coarse grain and makes a grade of flour peculiar to itself. It derived its name from the fact that the first few grains from which all of this wheat originally came was taken from the craw of a wild goose. No wheat like it is known in this country and it has always been a matter of wonder where it came from. From samples of foreign wheat on exhibition in the Agricultural Department at Washington it has been ascertained that the exact duplicate of this wheat is raised in a small province in Spain where it has long been cultivated. This is the only other place, so far as known, where such wheat is raised. The goose that furnished us with our first seed must have been sadly afflicted with indigestion, or must have made good time in his flight from the Spanish wheatfield. J. B. MONTGOMERY.

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