

The East Oregonian.

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A PARCE.

Nothing, perhaps, could be more ridiculous, were it not at the same time a matter of seriousness, than the "punishment" inflicted on violators of the United States laws by Judge Deady. As an instance in point, we might mention the cases of the individuals lately sent to Portland from this place for selling liquor on the reservation. The facts of the business are that a number of "characters of low resort" had established a bar room on the reservation adjoining town and in open defiance of law and order persisted in dealing in liquor.

Sec. 2139 of the Revised Statutes of the United States reads as follows: "No ardent spirits shall be introduced under any pretense, into the Indian country. Every person, except an Indian, in the Indian country, who sells, exchanges, gives, barter, or disposes of any spirituous liquor or wine to any Indian under the charge of any Indian superintendent or agent, or introduces or attempts to introduce any spirituous liquor or wine into the Indian country, shall be punishable by imprisonment for not more than two years, and by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars."

The law seems plain enough to cover the case but it failed in its execution through some miscarriage or other. On what ground the parties escaped a just punishment of their offense we are unable to learn or imagine. If Judge Deady had taken the trouble to make an examination into the matters he would have been convinced that the parties were on the reservation, that they knew it, and in terms more emphatic than decent had defied both the United States laws and officials. One of them was found guilty and fined the sum of twenty-five dollars (!) the others escaped scathless, notwithstanding the fact that the evidence was the same against two of them, at least, as it was against the one fined.

A few years ago, we are told, Judge Deady was accustomed to inflict a term of imprisonment of a year or more for the most trivial offense—now he has gone to the other extreme and for an equal violation of law will impose a nominal fine or a reprimand and discharge the prisoner. The former was carrying the vindication of the law beyond reason—the latter simply confers a premium upon crime. It is a matter of common remark here that when a party, such as those in question, wishes to take a trip to Portland, or to change the base of his or her operations, the cheapest method of accomplishing the end is to sell an Indian a bottle of whiskey, get taken down free of cost, pay a fine of five dollars, perhaps, if anything, and make money by the operation. These parties will doubtless be back in Pendleton before many days elapse and re-open a grog shop.

This is an injustice to our people in several respects. It has a tendency to increase lawlessness in our community and to reflect upon the reputation of our country besides being a useless and heavy burden upon our tax payers. The cases now referred to cost, in all probability, not less than \$400. If this were a proceeding in our State Court it would cause a howl throughout the whole country, but while it is not usual to view the expenses of the Federal judiciary in the same light, yet they, too, are to be defrayed by the tax payers of the country and in the words of the old Scotch proverb "money a mickle makes a mickle." If this is to be the result of all such prosecutions it will be a saving to the government and an advantage to our country to abolish the offices of United States Commissioners and the deputy marshals and allow these characters free scope. We respectfully protest against the dealing out of justice with such extreme moderation, or in plainer language such seeming triviality in the administration of the law.

We have received the initial number of the Oregon Register published at LaFayette by Messrs. Townsend and Frazier. We cannot speak very highly of its typographical appearance but that can be easily improved. The senior member of the firm is the Hon. W. M. Townsend who made such a telling speech in Pendleton during the campaign of last fall, and we predict that he will make a success of it. It will be Democratic in politics. We welcome the Register to our exchange list and bid it a hearty God-speed.

Mr. HAROLD H. SANDS, agent of the O. R. & N. Co. at Celilo was drowned at that place on the 6th inst. The casualty was caused by the upsetting of a boat in which he was crossing the river. A companion escaped.

THE RESERVATION

While Senator Slater was in Pendleton on his late visit he took occasion to sound the Indians on the question of the opening of the reservation for settlement. He was prompted to do this by a request from Homely, the Walla Walla chief, sent him by letter while at home, that he would come over and confer with them on the subject. The Senator took the trouble to visit the head men of the various tribes and was at considerable pains and expenditure of time to get a full and free expression of opinion on their part.

The result of his examination into the matter was the assurance of the Indians that they anticipate fully the certainty that the time was not far distant when the reservation would be opened, and to his surprise, perhaps, he found very little opposition to the project. The Indians generally expressed themselves as willing to take land in severalty (160 acres), only urging that they be allowed to take their claims in a body, which is an arrangement that would doubtless suit admirably all around. One thing which they particularly and earnestly requested was the establishment of schools among them free from Catholic control—or in fact of any sectarian denomination.

On the subject of this matter of settling the Indians down as farmers, each on his quarter section, we confess that we are unbelievers—we don't think bunch grass will ever flourish as a hot-house plant, but if the Indians are willing to try it we will raise no opposition. We believe a continuance of his abnormal condition will much more become an Indian than to try and make a white man out of him, and for this reason we had expected to see them apply for another reservation when the time came for them to abandon this one. Believing that such would be their wish, we have never heretofore zealously advocated the opening of this reserve until another was prepared—it was only justice to the Indian that he should not be hustled off from his last possession here before a just compensation was provided for him elsewhere.

As the case now stands, however, there is no reasonable obstacle to the barrier which has bounded the reservation being thrown down, the necessities of the country demand the settlement of the reservation and its adaptation to some more beneficial purpose than it is now devoted to, the Indians consent to it, and it should be done. From this time forward we shall raise our voices in favor of the measure and ask the support of "all good citizens" in rapping at the doors of Congress until our demands are granted.

THE VIRGINIA ELECTION.

The telegraphic dispatches failed through some oversight to report the result of the gubernatorial convention of the "straight out" Democrats of Virginia held in Richmond on the 4th inst., but we learn incidentally that Major John W. Daniel of Lynchburg, was nominated for Governor. Major Daniel is comparatively a young man but has occupied a prominent position in Virginia politics for a long while past. He lacked only one vote of being elected United States Senator to succeed Hon. John W. Johnston at the expiration of his first term, and was a prominent candidate for Governor in the State convention which nominated Holliday (the present incumbent). He has represented his county in the State Senate for a number of years past. As a jurist and advocate, Major Daniel has for many years been one of the foremost of the highest order and fully sustains the reputation of Virginia for oratory, while his work on "Negotiable Instruments" has secured for him an enviable distinction as a law writer. All doubt of his election is removed by the action of Mahone in his attempted coalition with the Republicans. He (Mahone) took a hand in the Republican State convention and succeeded admirably in making a wreck of it. About half the number of delegates declared for him, while the other half denounced him in unmeasured terms and adjourned without making any nominations. With all the forces Mahone can possibly muster he is now in a hopeless minority. The "straight out" Democrats proclaim themselves squarely in favor of paying the State debt and condemn Mahone in any and every shape.

Capt. T. J. STUMP, well known throughout all this upper country, died in the pilot house of the steamer Spokane near Alinsworth on the 13th inst. He had been running on the Columbia and Snake rivers since 1862.

Dr. BLALOCK, of Walla Walla sold his crop of 70,000 bushels of wheat, it is understood, at 50 cents a bushel.

A SMALL BUSINESS.

During the performance of Robinson's theatrical troupe on last Saturday evening a number of "hoodlums" in the back end of the hall undertook to greet the appearance of Robinson with a shower of eggs. Under any circumstances this is a very small business and one in which no gentleman will engage, but on this occasion it was more than usually reprehensible. We were not present at the performance but learn that the amount of the onslaught upon its object was the striking of a number of spectators with eggs, while Robinson escaped harm. We understand a number of ladies as well as gentlemen had their clothes besmeared with broken eggs in addition to being struck. This is going far beyond the bounds of propriety and decency and simply amounts to an intolerable nuisance. We cannot see the point or sport in this "egging" at any time, but if a person has rendered himself particularly obnoxious, perhaps some might justify it. What Robinson had done to merit such treatment we do not know, but doubt if he had done anything, as he seems to have been attacked on his first appearance. If the object was to break up his performance we would suggest that although his profession may not be a very high toned one, yet he is entitled to make his living in that way if he sees fit as much as another man in another way, and while we know none of the participants in the frolic, perhaps his calling is as honorable as theirs—if this is a sample.

A SUGGESTION TO LEGISLATORS. A short while since Sheriff Lane made an application, seconded by a petition of the citizens of Coos county, to Gov. Thayer asking him to offer a reward for the arrest of Higgins, the murderer, but was met with the following reply from the Governor's secretary: "I am directed by his Excellency, the Governor, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 27th with petition asking that an additional reward be offered by the Governor for the capture of David Higgins, and to say in reply that unfortunately the Legislature made no appropriation for such purposes." The failure of the Legislature to provide an appropriation for such purposes as this is an inexcusable omission on the part of its members, amounting almost to a non-feasance of duty. An appropriation to be used as a reward for the capture of criminals is just as needful for the proper preservation of law and order in a community as one to defray the expenses of their prosecution after they have been apprehended. It amounts almost to an imperative necessity and to say the least is a great incentive to the administration of the laws. Many men will work for gold who will not exert themselves for justice or honor and oftentimes it is through just such individuals only that a criminal can be apprehended. It also whets the vigilance of the officers of the law.

All other States except Oregon, perhaps, have such a fund, and of all States in the Union Oregon is the one to look after this matter, and the representatives of Umatilla county the persons to see that such a bill is at least introduced into both branches of our Legislature. If it is not passed it is a criminal neglect of duty. Our county now stands with the reproach upon its fair name of the murders of William Lishan and his wife near Pendleton and Martin Thompson near Heppner. The dead bodies of these parties were discovered the same day of the bloody transactions, the perpetrators of the foul deeds were at hand, a reward would have secured their capture and conviction, but it was not offered and consequently the villains escaped. Another dead man was discovered near Pendleton last winter and still another on the Columbia river two weeks ago. Both cases are shrouded in mystery and likely to continue so. But few men will risk their lives and leave their business to hunt murderers "just for the fun of the thing," while a proper reward will draw many out. We trust this matter will meet with due consideration at the hands of our next legislature.

The Kentucky State election has resulted in an overwhelming victory for the Democrats and the legislature elect is supposed to be largely in favor of Beck's return to the Senate. In North Carolina the anti-prohibition ticket carried the field by 10,000 majority or more.

We have revised our mail list this week and attached to the name of every subscriber the date up to which his subscription is paid. Thus "Oct. 1, '80" means that such subscription is paid up to that date and is due from that time forward.

THE PRESIDENT'S CONDITION. The President progresses about as usual. There are no particularly unfavorable symptoms, though the public is impatient and uneasy at his slow improvement. Gov. Blackburn of Kentucky, one of the most eminent physicians in the country, expresses the opinion that his injury is of such a nature that a recovery is impossible. We sincerely hope this may not prove the case.

Later.—The President has suddenly grown worse since the above was written and grave apprehensions are entertained for his life. His pulse reached 130 and he was troubled with nausea.

THE PRESIDENT'S CONDITION

THE VERY LATEST. (Special Telegram to the E. O.) WASHINGTON, D. C. Aug. 17th 4 P. M. A very general feeling of despondency and belief that the President cannot recover exists in Washington. His weakness increases and the second teaspoonful of beef tea nauseated him yesterday. The duration of his daily fever is lengthening, although his physicians are hopeful, yet they seem unable to better his condition.

Aug. 18th 1 P. M.—President better this morning. More hopes of his recovery than for the past three days. [We return our thanks to Mr. J. H. Kunzie, of Umatilla for his kindness in obtaining the above dispatches for us direct from Washington.—Ed.]

REV. J. R. FOSTER, once the publisher of the Idaho Democrat, was shot and seriously wounded on August 7th, at the toll gate near Ketchum by a saloon keeper, named John Sherwood. They had some difficulty over a piece of land belonging to Foster, but which Sherwood had "jumped." The wounded man was getting along well at latest advices.

The Portland Mayoralty meddle has been revived. Mr. Simon petitioned Judge Stott of the circuit court for a writ of review and it has been granted. So the fight still goes on. How it will end no man can tell.

LIBERAL LECTURES.—Dr. J. L. York, the noted liberal orator, will speak at the Opera House on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 8 P. M. Collection at close. Seats free.

JOHN C. SWANER has sold out the Waitsburg Times to Mr. C. W. Wheeler and returns from the editorial chair of that paper. It will be conducted in the future by Mr. Wheeler.

A SHELL EXPLODED BY LIGHTNING.

[Richmond, Va. Whig, July 16.] On Wednesday afternoon during a sudden thunder storm a lightning bolt struck a large pine tree in a field belonging to Mr. S. G. B. Faulkner, who resides 8 miles from Richmond, in Hanover county. At the time Mr. Faulkner and a number of hands were working near by. The report was sharp and loud, and shocked several of the men. Mr. Faulkner noticed that the tree was set on fire by the lightning, and sent hands to clear away the brush to prevent the fire spreading to his fencing. About 20 minutes after the tree was struck another loud and deafening report was heard in the tree, and on examination it was ascertained that the fire had communicated with a shell which was lodged in the tree during the war. The tree was somewhat shattered from the explosion of this old companion, and the bushes near by were cut down by the fragments. No one knew of the shell being in the tree. This is a most singular occurrence, and probably the first where a shell was exploded by lightning.

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NOTICE TO BRIDGE BUILDERS. Bids for furnishing material and constructing a bridge across Birch creek at Lee's Crossing are per plans and specifications now on file at the office of the County Clerk, of Umatilla county, Oregon, will be received up to and including a P. M. Thursday September 1st. No bids over \$1000 will be accepted. J. R. KEENEY, By order of the County Court. 20th Aug.

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