

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

The press at the present time, is discussing freely the question, should a man suffer death at the hands of his fellow man by hanging or otherwise, for the crime of murder. Good arguments are made upon both sides of the case, and the discussion has evidently been drove out by the fact that it is becoming common in the several States for the death penalty to be commuted to imprisonment for life by the Governor, and their action approved and applauded in many cases by the people, and yet their practice is on the increase. There must be a cause, what is it? Some denounce the Governor for his acts in bitter terms and burning words, but still the idea is gaining ground. To our mind the reason is obvious. The practice of taking life in cold blood is revolting to the refined, educated and civilized mind, a relic of barbarism, it belongs not to a high state of civilization, and the time has already come when the people are ready and willing to abolish it. But the great objection in the mind of most people, is the fact that if the guilty are sent to prison to labor hard for their natural life, as a punishment for their crimes, they may and will be in many cases, pardoned out by the executive, it may be, under circumstances of corrupt influence.

The answer to all this is ample and at hand. Take from the executive of each and every State the power to pardon in cases of murder and abolish capital punishment, and the demands of the age are satisfied, and the guilty will be punished more humanely and yet more severely than before. Another reform should accompany the abolition of capital punishment, which is this: The convict should be required to labor all that is reasonable; a portion of the proceeds of which should go to the State sufficient to defray his expenses and the expenses of his conviction, and the balance should go to his wife or family if he have one. In this way justice would be humanely administered, the demands of the law would be fully satisfied, criminals would be convicted and receive a just punishment for their crimes, where in many cases under the present system they are acquitted. The State and the family of the convict would have the benefit of his labor to compensate for the cost of conviction and for his rash conduct; society would be spared the mortification of taking life, and the criminal would be given an opportunity of reform in life and a preparation for death. What good citizen in the United States to day, would be willing to accept the office of Sheriff if he knew before election, that during his term, he would be called upon to take charge of one of his fellow men, feed him in his cell for months it may be, and then take him out and lead him to the scaffold, and there in cold blood take his life? Not one in a thousand. How long will the people of popular government do what they feel to be wrong, and neglect what they acknowledge to be right?

We can not refrain in this connection, from speaking of one other evil which ought not to be lost sight of in the reforms of the nineteenth century. Every well regulated community in the United States at the present day, feel, acknowledge and declare, that the traffic of whiskey, spurious and poisoning alcohol as used and dealt out to and by the people in this country, is a cruel sin which is carrying death, misery and destruction to hundreds of thousands of our best men and families; and yet they not only countenance it, but absolutely license, for a petty sum, this acknowledged wicked traffic. Here is another practical demonstration of the laches of the people in whose hands rests all power, admitting these great reforms ought to be accomplished without delay, and at the same time stubbornly refusing to order and decree that it shall be done.

The funeral of ex-Emperor Napoleon took place on the 15th inst. The attendance was immense. Twenty-five thousand persons viewed the remains of the ex Emperor while lying in State.

THE WAY THEY CAUGHT THEM.

Grant's office-holders' convention at Philadelphia, resolved that they were in favor of equal political rights among citizens, and that from thenceforth they were bound to respect the claims of women to equal rights with men. Those resolves they are carrying out in strict accordance with radical rules well established.

Women under the fourteenth amendment to the Constitution, are declared to be citizens of the United States, and of the State wherein they reside.

In order to demonstrate their sincerity to the world, they passed those resolves for the purpose of securing the influence of Miss Anthony and other talented women in the country; for Grant, and induce them to join in the cry of "Long live our Caesar!" These women did join that cry, voted for Grant, and shouted with Grantites. Grant was elected, and told them he was decidedly in favor of women suffrage; and loved their cause extremely.

Now it transpires that Grant and his worshipers were, as usual, acting in bad faith. Miss Anthony voted for Grant, one of Grant's appointees called her to account for voting for Grant, and found her over in the some of \$5,000, because she voted for Grant, held her to answer to one of Grant's Circuit Courts in New York for a high crime and misdemeanor because she voted for Grant upon the principle of those Grant resolves.

Wonder how long it will be, measured by the speed of Grant's car of Progress, and the practical workings of these resolves, before miss Anthony can vote without subjecting herself to indictment, under the reign of Grant. How glad miss Anthony must be that she voted for Grant and shouted so gleefully with the Grantites, that she is surrounded by such a cloud of witnesses for her defence, abandoned as she is by every Grantite, and radical paper in the country in her adversity! What glory she now receive in those Grant resolves! Grant has pardoned scores of rebels, and we wonder if he will pardon Miss Anthony, when she shall be incarcerated in Grant's bastille, after conviction of a heinous crime of exercising the sacred right of a citizen in voting for Grant, and after trial by one of Grant's Juries, and sentence by one of Grant's Judges for a term not exceeding her natural life.

In the face and eyes of all these resolves in favor of equal political rights among citizens, this noble woman and her compeers have been ruthlessly seized by these Grantites, and by their wicked hands politically crucified; and more strange than all else, in this cruel war against our mothers and sisters, not a Grant journal in Oregon, save and except the bold and fearless New Northwest, dares utter one kind word in her defence; and they are more warm as to those Philadelphia resolves, and their car of human progress, than was the long-eared animal that was so severely smitten by Balaam's staff for not running over an angel. The truth is, Miss Anthony committed no crime; but Grantites, made drunk by successive victories, and having no more foes to fight for the present, are now crushing their own children under the ponderous wheels of their car of progress. Oh, Miss Anthony! Miss Anthony, cheerfully would we come to your assistance if you were within the reach of our scanty means and talent; but as it is otherwise, we can only advise you through the columns of the REPUBLICAN, the woman's friend, to possess your soul in patience during the reign of the mameluke.

Read the article on first page entitled "King or Warwick." It has the right ring. The Chronicle is not so blindly partisan that it cannot see the faults of its own members; very unlike many of our administration papers. It says Gorham is a very corrupt man, and yet he is permitted to run the political machinery of the state his own way. This is true of Gorham in California, and can be truthfully said of that corrupt miserable creature Ben Holladay in Oregon. The Chronicle is one of our very best exchanges, and we are glad to notice its independence. The trouble is the present Republican party is run almost entirely by just such men

as Gorham and Holladay; Grant being simply a tool for these corrupt scoundrels, and the old ship of State is running upon the rocks, and will soon be dashed to pieces, unless these men are repudiated, and the people rally to the exercise and support of their sovereignty. Will the administration papers in Oregon be fair enough to endorse the Sentiments of the Chronicle? We shall see.

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STATE NEWS.

Fever, measles and colds are prevailing at Roseburg.

The streams of Umpqua are very high and travel is impeded.

S. B. Briggs, aged sixty seven, a resident at Canyonville since 1851, died at that place a few days ago.

Mrs Duniway is meeting with great success in her course of Sunday Evening Lectures at Portland.

It is said, that there will be raised in the valleys of the Umpqua, next season, 200,000 bushels of Grain.

Mr. A Palmer, who lives on an island in the Willamette above Corvallis, recently killed two wild hogs, one of which weighed five hundred pounds.

The Kalama Beacon says: A few weeks ago, Dr. J. O'Brien, of the Empire Hotel of this place, while on a business visit to Portland, starting toward the boat early in the morning, slipped on one of those frosty aprons partially dislocated his shoulder.

Douglas county has the whooping cough and measles.

The Jefferson flouring mills have stopped work for the season.

Oakland has built a plank road from that place to the depot.

A small child of Mr. Campbell who resides a few miles east of East Portland, was severely burned a few evenings since.

A little son of Mr. Silverton who resides in Portland, aged about six years narrowly escaped drowning yesterday.

A company has been incorporated in Coos county for the purpose of building a narrow gauge railroad from Isthmus Slough to the Coville river. Capital 200,000. Incorporators Messrs. Utter, Bess and Camman.

The Virtue mill cleaned up \$13,000 for December, and is running constantly. The bullion is worth \$16.68 per ounce.

A Douglas paper says: Over 1000 acres of grain will, it is estimated, be raised in the Missouri Bottoms, in this county the present season.

Forty interments were made in the Jacksonville cemetery during 1872, being ten less than in 1871. Twenty-six among the number were reckoned as actual whites.

Albany received \$1,939.71 for city licenses, \$195.50 for fines in recorder's Court, and raised \$2475 by taxation during 1872.

Wheat is ninety cents a bushel at Lafayette, and eighty cents per bushel at Corvallis.

Following is the postal order business done at Oregon City last year: Total No. orders issued 832; amount on the same, 15,130.31; fees on the same, \$105. No. orders paid 209; amount paid on the same, \$9,979.52.

Eugene is to have a powder house.

The citizens of Lane county don't want the State University, and are signing remonstrances against a tax levied to aid in the erection of a building for the University. "where ignorance is bliss," etc.

The Roseburg Pantograph is out again.

Fifty-one marriages in Jackson county last year.

There were thirty deaths in Jacksonville during 1872.

Goods are being hauled in wagons from the railroad terminus at Roseburg to all points in Southern Oregon.

A man by the name of Peters, who resides in Coos county, was seriously though not fatally injured by the accidental discharge of his gun, December 27th.

A company has been incorporated at Coos Bay for the purpose of building a new steamer. Work will soon be commenced upon her. She will be built at Marshfield, and when completed will be run up the river and bay.

Dan Raymond, of Cow Creek Valley Douglas county, lost last week by high water nearly 200 head of fine Cotswold sheep, 11 head of Cashmere goats, several head of Percheron horses, and quite a stock of Berkshires and Chester white hogs.

A fire was discovered about 5 o'clock this morning in A. Purdy's wagon shop, which soon communicated to Manuel Knight's blacksmith shop, both were consumed, but the noble exertions of the firemen the adjoining buildings were saved and an extensive conflagration avoided. Purdy's loss is \$2,000 and Knight's \$1,500 no insurance. "Big Six" acted nobly.

TELEGRAPHIC.

New York, January 13.—A large crowd were present at the Oyer and Terminer Court this afternoon to witness the opening of the Tweed case. Great surprise followed at the refusal of district Attorney Phelps to postpone the case for one hour for the consultation by the prosecuting counsel upon the information in their possession, which would decide whether they would proceed or not with the case against Tweed. The Judge granted an hour's recess. It is believed that delay is asked for in consequence of the discovery that one of the jurors is a member of the American Club, which was founded by Tweed. It was subsequently decided by the prosecution to go on, Judge Peckham commenced the opening address.

New Orleans, January 11.—The city is quiet. Politicians are active. Quorum in both Legislatures. The Fusionists are making preparations on a grand scale for McEmery's inauguration on Monday in Lafayette Square if clear, and in Exposition Hall if remaining. Ladies are invited to be present. Pinchbeckers will inaugurate Kellogg on Monday in Mechanical Institute.

Paris, January 12.—It is said the French Government will permit the final interment of Napoleon's remains in France if the funeral is made strictly private, and diseased hurried as the ex-Emperor and not as Emperor. The ceremonies must be simply of a religious character.

Madrid, January 12.—A great popular demonstration was made in this city yesterday in favor of proposed political reforms in Porto Rico, and the abolition of slavery. A long procession with bands and banners, paraded the streets. A very considerable number of niggers participated in the demonstration. The King has signed a concession to a Spanish company for a telegraph cable from Cadiz to Cuba way of Canary Islands and Crenfite.

London, January 13.—A dispatch from Bombay says a report reached that place of a terrible earthquake which occurred at Soongulur, a town in India 114 miles north of Bombay. 1,500 persons had been killed in the town alone. Nothing has been heard from surrounding country, but it is feared there was much additional loss of life.

Salt Lake, January 13.—Startling developments have lately come to light tending to expose a system of wholesale cattle stealing at Corrine, extending over a period of two years. Six indictments in connection with the offence have been found by the Grand Jury. There are three persons in jail, and two have been released upon \$5,000 bonds. The spiriting away of witnesses is reported to be going on. The people are rejoicing over the breaking up of the gang. Nearly 400 cattle have been definitely traced.

London, January 9, 3P. M.—The following bulletin from the physicians who were with Napoleon during his last hours has just been issued:

"The ex-Emperor Napoleon slept soundly last night—better than the preceding night. This morning his physicians decided to perform another operation on him at noon to day. At the time the consultation was held his pulse was strong and regular, at 84 beats per minute. At 25 minutes past 10 o'clock signs that he was sinking appeared. The action of the heart suddenly failed, and he died at 15 minutes past 10 o'clock."

[signed] "HENRY THOMPSON. "CORNEAU CORVISAIR. "W. CLOVER DRAKEFORD."

Washington, January 13.—Senate—Logan made a personal explanation and retul of certain newspaper charges against him in connection with an appropriation to the Tanton Sioux.

The Senate Committee on elections this morning are investigating the election of Mr. Caldwell, Senator from Kansas. They examined at great length Lieutenant Smith, Mr. Caldwell, partner in the banking business Mr. Smith gave the details of the arrangement made before the Senatorial election between Mr. Caldwell, Governor Carney and himself, by which Mr. Carney was to withdraw from the Senatorial candidacy for \$15,000 paid him by Mr. Caldwell, who subsequently paid Mr. Carney in two installments of \$10,000 and 5,000 respectively. Some time afterwards Mr. Smith gave Mr. Carney \$7,000 to reimburse him for expenditures during the election.

House—The House refused, by yeas 13 to nays 163, to table the bill introduced repealing the act by which the Government has to day to the Pacific Railroad Companies half for transportation to other companies. The bill went over until next Monday.

On motion of Kelly, of the Judiciary Committee, they were instructed to inquire into the conduct of Judge Durell, of Louisiana, and report articles of impeachment against him if he was found guilty of usurpation.

House—Mr. Taffe, from the Committee on Territories, reported a bill for the admission of Colorado as a State.

Mr. Hooper, of Utah, moved an amendment by inserting a provision for the admission of Utah as the State of desert.

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