

Fifty-seven conventions are thus far announced to meet at Philadelphia next year. Nearly every variety of men and associations will be represented at that gathering.

Speaker Kerr may yet cry "Save me from my friends!" Some of the fiery Southern newspapers are urging the people of the South to stand by Kerr "because," as one expresses it, "he stood by us in the dark days of 'the war, when most of the Northern Democrats were too cowardly to proclaim their principles, and bowed in silence before the Baal of tyranny and subjection." Regenerating grace has evidently failed to accomplish her perfect work in the obdurate heart of that editor, however thorough the work may have been in the case of Mr. Kerr.

The New York Herald does not seem disposed to accept all the fine talk about the purity of Kerr and the reformatory tendencies of the Democratic House. It affirms that the "truth is that Mr. Cox and Mr. Kerr and Mr. Wood and Mr. Randall and Mr. Lamar and all the rest of them are politicians anxious for their own advancement. They have risen into public life by politics. They have been in that business for years. They are all tarred with the same stick. They know the schemes, the tricks, the subterfuges, the whole catechism from beginning to end. Mr. Kerr, with all of his 'honesty,' could no more go through an Indiana Convention or caucus for Congress without twisting and bending than he could ascend into the heavens like Elijah. Mr. Kerr is no better than Mr. Randall; no worse than Mr. Randall or Mr. Cox or Mr. Wood. They are all of a class. They have their virtues and their faults, and so far from any election of the Speakership or any nomination of committees representing honesty against dishonesty the election might as well have been done by a page, blindfolded, putting his hand into a box and taking out the first name. The Democratic majority met, first and above all things, to destroy the administration and build up their own party. They mean to carry on the affairs of the Government and make as much capital as they can. All this cant about superfluous honesty and desire for reform is midsummer moonshine."

The New York Tribune, referring to the St. Louis whisky ring developments, says "the attempt to fasten some stain of complicity upon the President himself is wholly unwarranted by the facts thus far disclosed. Nor can it be said that the Republican party has shown the least sympathy for the participants in these crimes, or made the slightest effort to shield them or embarrass Secretary Bristow in his work of reform. On the whole, the Republican party will unquestionably gain by this exposure, as any party ought to gain which unflinchingly hunts down and punishes corruption of any form within its ranks. The credit is the greater in this case, because the guilty persons were prominent in the party and had been peculiarly influential. The spirit which refuses to grant them any shelter or mercy and demands full punishment according to the full letter of the law is the true spirit of reform." This is every word true; and we have only to add the stern exhortation of the President, "let no guilty man escape," even should he be the Private Secretary of the President himself.

In his annual report General Crook calls attention to the Black Hills matter, and says that he thinks the settlers bordering on the Sioux reservation have just grounds for complaint, when they claim that the Sioux violate the treaty, time and again every manner, stealing their stock and absolutely breaking them up in business; and this violation of the treaty is by Indians who are fed and clothed by the government, supported by taxes paid by the frontiersmen as well as other citizens, taxpayers. When these same settlers, impoverished by the raids of the Sioux, go to the Black Hills country, which, by the way, Indians seldom visit, on account of the terrible thunder storms prevailing there in summer and the deep snows in winter, for the purpose of prospecting for mines, they are charged with violations of the treaty, the main provisions of which the Indians have never regarded. The General says that there are two sides to this question, and the story of the frontiersman should be heard as well as that of the Indian.

Speaker Blaine, a Pennsylvania boy, married a school teacher, and went east, and now is famous. Speaker Kerr, another Pennsylvania school-boy, married a school teacher and went west, and now occupies a front seat. The moral of this is for Pennsylvania boys to marry school "mams" and go some place. We cannot yet tell which brings fame, the school teacher or the "going." We know a man who married a school teacher and was bald headed in three years, but he has gone somewhere now.—Meadeville Republican.

On Monday morning last, Sheriff Beck and Deputy W. A. Frank, John Feely and Ed Hannon, started for Allegheny with the following prisoners, sentenced to confinement in the Western Penitentiary by the last Court: Shuf, Willson, Chas. Campbell, convicted of robbing the store of the Coal Company, at Rimersburg, and Wm. Beaty, convicted of larceny committed at New Bethlehem, John Shay, the little boy arrested at Callensburg, and sent by the Court to the Allegheny House of Correction. By a dispatch we learn that the party arrived safely, and delivered the prisoners in charge to the proper authorities.—Clarion Republican.

The "negro riot" at Rolling Fork, Miss., a full account of which is given elsewhere this morning, turns out to be one of those encounters so common in the Southern States of late, in which the negroes, though represented by the dispatches to be the rioters, are invariably the victims. During the past few months there have been numerous riots of this kind, in each the negroes are charged with making the riotous demonstrations, but in every instance a number of blacks have been killed and hardly a white man injured. This "riot" is emblematical of the preceding ones. A white youth was "pushed" off from the sidewalk by a colored man, whereupon the blooded little fellow drew a knife and inflicted a severe scalp wound on the offender. From this trifling affair originated the "negro riot" in which six or eight negroes were killed and many others wounded.—Derriek, 13th.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 27th, A. D., 1875, at 11 o'clock A. M., the following described real estate, to-wit:

Roxalene McHenry, Executrix of A. H. McHenry, deceased, vs. The Forest County Oil and Mining Company, Vend. Ex. No. 20 Dec. Term, 1875, E. D. No. 43 Sept. Term, 1875.—Tate. All the following described several tracts, lots, pieces or parcels of land situate in Jenks township, Forest county, Pa., one of them, No. 24, in the subdivision of a tract warranted in the name of Leroy & Linklin, being warrant No. 217, described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a beech at corner of sub. No. 23 thence east 53 perches to a beech, thence north 154 perches to a point, thence west 53 perches to a beech at corner of sub. No. 26, thence south 154 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 504 acres, more or less.

Also.—Sub. No. 25 of said tract or warrant described, &c. Beginning at a beech, corner of sub. No. 32, thence east crossing the south branch of Salmon creek 106 perches to a beech corner of sub. No. 24, thence north 154 perches to a beech corner of sub. No. 23, thence west recrossing said branch of Salmon creek 106 perches to a birch corner of sub. No. 25, thence south 15 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 1002 acres, more or less.

Also.—Sub. No. 32 of said tract, described as follows: Beginning at a birch corner of sub. No. 25, thence east crossing the south branch of Salmon creek 106 perches to a beech, corner of sub. No. 24, thence north recrossing said south branch of Salmon creek 174 perches to a post, corner of sub. No. 23, thence west 109 perches to a beech, corner of sub. No. 27, thence south 174 perches to place of beginning. Containing 114 acres, more or less.

Also.—Sub. No. 32 described, &c. Beginning at a beech at corner of sub. No. 33, thence east 106 perches to a beech, corner of sub. No. 25, thence north 154 perches to a birch, corner of sub. No. 23, thence west 106 perches to maple, corner of sub. No. 24, thence south 154 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 1002 acres, more or less.

Also.—Sub. No. 46 of warrant No. 3179, described, &c. Beginning at a beech, corner of sub. No. 51, thence east crossing the west branch of Salmon creek 106 perches to a post, corner of sub. No. 43, thence north recrossing the said west branch of Salmon creek 150 perches to a post, corner of sub. No. 44, thence west 100 perches to a beech, corner of sub. No. 52, thence south 150 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 934 acres, more or less.

Also.—Sub. No. 45 described, &c. Beginning at a post, corner of sub. No. 46, thence east 100 perches to a beech, corner of sub. No. 35, thence north 150 perches to a post, corner of sub. No. 37, thence west crossing the west branch of Salmon creek 100 perches to a post, corner of sub. No. 43, thence south recrossing said west branch of Salmon creek 150 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 984 acres, more or less.

Also.—A tract of land in same township warranted in the name of Samuel Wallace, being warrant No. 4136, described, &c. Beginning at a sugar tree on the district line of Districts five and six, thence north 105 perches to a sugar tree, thence east 105 perches to a beech, thence south 194 perches to a sugar tree, thence west 194 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 1002 acres, more or less.

Henry, Executrix of A. H. McHenry, deceased. ALSO, James P. Davis use of Bennett Dobbs, now for use of William W. Brewer vs. William S. Chapman, Pl. Ca. No. 30 Dec. Term, 1875, C. D. No. 42 Dec. Term, 1875.—Tate.—All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Jenks township, Forest county, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: On the northwest by warrant numbered five thousand one hundred and twenty-nine, on the north by warrant numbered five thousand one hundred and twenty-nine, on the northeast by triangle, on the southeast by warrant numbered five thousand one hundred and twenty-nine, on the southwest by warrant numbered five thousand one hundred and thirty-six. Containing three hundred and fifteen acres more or less, part of warrant No. 5188.

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J. T. VAN GIESEN, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Tionesta, Pa., Dec. 7th, 1875.

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