

—It is now the legislative branch of the government in South Carolina that is out of order. It has elected Judges of the Courts, it is said, men who are ignorant to a degree. It really looks as if South Carolina is to be continually and terribly punished for the crime of secession.

—The difference between the two political parties of the country receives a new illustration in the Tweed case. The doctrine of the Republican party is "Let no guilty man escape;" that of the Democratic party is "Let all guilty men escape who (like Tweed) belong to our party."—Vengeance Citizen.

—Mr. Farwell, of Illinois, has introduced a bill to hasten specie redemption by retiring \$1,000,000 greenbacks a month. It is a measure not likely to be acceptable to any one. To those who wish to hurry forward specie redemption it is too slow; and to those who do not wish it, the bill is unacceptable because it contracts the currency. It is this eternal tinkering at the finances that does the work of injury.

—An exchange perpetrates the following: "The Democratic leaders have loudly proclaimed for many years that government salaries ought to be reduced one-half. The party has just given places to about a hundred and fifty persons in the house of representatives, whose salaries range from eight thousand a year to seven hundred and fifty dollars for the session. We shall now see how much honesty there was in their reform pretensions."

—Hon. E. D. Morgan, Chairman, has issued a call for the meeting of the Republican National Committee, on Wednesday, Jan. 18th, at the Arlington Hotel, Washington, for the purpose of fixing the time and place for holding the next Republican National Convention for the nomination of President and Vice President. It is not improbable the convention will be held in Philadelphia, as that city will have an irresistible attraction in the Centennial Exhibition.

—It is intimated that Senator Edmunds' motion for a new election of President pro tem. of the Senate means more than was indicated on its face. There is a real and positive effort being secretly made to displace Mr. Ferry, the movement being under the direction of the hard money Senators at the East. Very properly, Mr. Ferry refuses to step aside, and prefers to have the matter legitimately settled. Senator Morton's Committee have the subject in charge, and will promptly act upon it.

—Says the Washington correspondent of the Pittsburgh Commercial, since the recent stir in the whisky trials, the President and Secretary Bristow have been in private conference, in which the whole subject was reviewed. The President again directed the Secretary to push the prosecutions to the extreme limits, regardless of whom it reached. The removal of Henderson was through no disposition to shield any one. The President is relentless towards those who have betrayed his confidence, as will be seen hereafter, when the facts are indisputably shown.

—Already the preliminary movements are being made to open the door for the rebels to get into the Treasury. The law prohibiting those not known to be opposed to the rebellion from prosecuting claims against the United States on account of losses suffered during the war, was earnestly opposed by Mr. Vanee, and a movement made for its repeal. It is an indication of the tendency of events. It is evident that the Southern element are determined to take care of their friends. It is, of course, impossible for them to attain their purposes, and it seems absurd that they should desire to do so. The fact that they are held enough to put forth an effort to do what it is impossible they should do, proves the spirit that animates them. It is the old rebel idea, rampant once more.—Gazette.

—It is proposed to make the second inauguration of Governor Hartranft the most imposing military and civil display we have had at the capital for many years. Military men in different parts of the State have already had some informal consultation and correspondence on the subject, while

the proposition to secure the attendance of a large number of civil societies is discussed by men who generally carry what they undertake to do into successful effect. The Governor is now busily engaged on his inaugural address. The message will be the first under the new constitution commencing a gubernatorial term. With this term the Governors are not eligible to a second election. A term must intervene before they become so, and the term of service under the new constitution is four years.

—The following from the Pittsburgh Gazette will be cheerful reading for some of our readers, no matter how much credit they may give the statement:

In our intercourse with manufacturers and business men, we find an improved feeling as to the business outlook. It is believed by many that we have reached what is usually termed "hard pan," and that we must shortly have an improved condition of affairs. Our manufacturers who have borne the strain thus far are regarded as strong and perfectly able to meet the demands upon them in the future. The reduction in the price of puddling while not a serious item to each puddler, is in the aggregate of great importance to manufacturers. It has inspired them with courage and hope, and they are, we understand, disposed to prosecute the work of manufacture with energy. We have not lessened as to the demand of manufactured iron, but it is said that nails are very salable at present, and that the demand will be large in the early spring. If the predictions of those, not usually sanguine, are realized we shall have a much better condition of affairs by the return of spring than we have had these many years.

—The agricultural report for the year, indicates a larger annual crop yield, during the past season, than for any year, for a long time past. The crops of 1876 and 1877 were large, but the one just now harvested is fully equal, if not superior to them. Every quarter of the country has had an increase in the number of bushels grown, and though in some cases slight, in others it has been so much greater as to raise the sum total of the crop twenty-five per cent. above that of 1874. The increase in the New England States is not large, but that of the Middle States will reach ten per cent., that of the Gulf States seventeen, other Southern States about fifty, and the Western States in general about sixty per cent. But, while the quantity is so abundant, the quality is not as good as could be desired. The cold, unseasonable weather and the early and heavy frosts have made much of the corn soft, wet and almost unmarketable. The potato crop is about one-fourth larger than last year. Cotton cannot be fully reported just yet, but enough is known to show that the Gulf States exhibit a larger, and the Atlantic States a smaller, crop than usual. The best authorities on cotton statistics are certain that the crop will exceed 4,000,000 bales, and some place it as high as 4,250,000.

SHERIFF'S SALES.

BY VIRTUE of sundry writs of F. F. A. and Vend. Ex. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Forest County, Pa., one of them, No. 21, in the subdivision of a tract warranted in the name of Leroy & Linkland, being warrant No. 3177, described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a beach at corner of sub. No. 25, thence east 63 perches to a beach, thence north 184 perches to a post, thence west 63 perches to a beach at corner of sub. No. 26, thence south 154 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 50 1/2 acres, more or less.

Also, Sub. No. 25 of said tract or warrant described, vs. The Forest County Oil and Mining Company, V. C. M. No. 20 Dec. Term, 1875, E. D. No. 43 Sept. Term, 1875.—All the following described several tracts, lots, pieces or parcels of land situate in Jenks township, Forest county, Pa., one of them, No. 21, in the subdivision of a tract warranted in the name of Leroy & Linkland, being warrant No. 3177, described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a beach at corner of sub. No. 25, thence east 63 perches to a beach, thence north 184 perches to a post, thence west 63 perches to a beach at corner of sub. No. 26, thence south 154 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 50 1/2 acres, more or less.

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of sub. No. 28, thence north 156 perches to a post, corner of sub. No. 27, thence west crossing the west branch of Salmon creek 100 perches to a post, corner of sub. No. 45, thence south recrossing said west branch of Salmon creek 150 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 98 1/2 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 185 perches to a sugar tree, thence east 954 perches to a beach, thence south 194 perches to a sugar, thence west 954 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 1006 1/2 acres, with allowance.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Forest County Oil and Mining Company, at the suit of Roxalene McHenry, Executrix of A. H. Mellener, deceased.

Also, James P. Davis use of Bennett Dobbs, now for use of William W. Brewer vs. William S. Chapman, Pl. Fa., No. 20 Dec. Term, 1875, C. D. No. 42 Dec. Term, 1875.

Terms of Sale. The following must be strictly complied with when property is stricken down: 1st. When the plaintiff or other lien creditors become the purchaser, the costs on the writs must be paid, and a list of liens and mortgages on the property sold, together with such lien creditor's receipts for the same, and the proceeds of the sale or such portion thereof as he may claim must be furnished by the Sheriff.

See Pardon's Digest, 9th Ed., page 416. Smith's forms, page 84. 2d. A list of all the property sold in full. All sales not settled immediately will be continued until 2 o'clock p. m. of the day of sale, at which time all property not settled for will again be put up and sold at the expense and risk of the person to whom it is sold.

J. T. VAN GIESEN, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office, Tionesta, Pa., Dec. 7th, 1876.

Scribner's Monthly for 1876

The publishers invite attention to the following list of some of the attractive articles secured for Scribner's Monthly, for the coming year. In the field of fiction, besides numerous novelettes and shorter stories, there will be TWO REMARKABLE SERIAL STORIES, BY AMERICAN WRITERS. The first of these, now complete in our hands, is "GABRIEL CONROY" By BRET HARTE. Begins in the November number, and will run for twelve months. This is Mr. Harte's first extended work. The scenes and characters, which the author has drawn from his own life, are so vividly and powerfully portrayed, that the most graphic record of early California life that has yet appeared.

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