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LETTER FROM LEWISTON.

LEWISTON, Nov. 5., 1876.

EDITOR TELLER.—This is election week, and we shall all be so anxious about election news that fertility of the soil, development of mines, opening of navigation, price of grain, and even the weather will be forgotten. It will be reported that Tilden is elected and the nation about to be destroyed, that Hayes is elected and the nation ruined. The successful party will believe that their success will save the nation, and their opponents will believe that such success will destroy it. To an impartial observer, it is clear, that if the officers elected perform their duties according to the declared principles upon which they are elected, the country will be safe.

Our attention should be directed to local affairs, to the end that our Territorial and County taxes may be reduced.

Northern Idaho pays about \$8,000 territorial taxes per annum. It receives back again about \$3,000, by the way of \$1,500 District Attorney fees, the transportation of prisoners to Boise, and the keeping of prisoners at the Penitentiary. It costs one dollar a day for a prisoner's keeping, while it costs nearly \$400 to transport a prisoner from Northern Idaho through Washington and Oregon to Boise. It will be seen that the cost of transportation is greater than the cost of keeping a prisoner a year. There are few prisoners sentenced to more than a years imprisonment. If such persons could be kept in the county jail in Northern Idaho, expenses would be reduced nearly or quite one-half. We should like to know what is done with the territorial taxes as now collected, and have measures taken for their reduction. High taxes, are not only burdensome, on account of the amount paid, but also because they deter settlement in the Territory. Our county taxes should also be reduced. We must come down to the principle of settled farming communities, in the payment of public officers, and public expenses of all kinds.

The paper states that Gen. O. O. Howard represented at Washington that Joseph was about to plunge the Nez Perce Indians into a war with the whites, and that such a war would cost the Government ten millions of dollars, and that the only means by which said war could be averted was to appoint himself and his friends commissioners to treat with Joseph. We all know that there is no danger of a war with the Nez Perce Indians, that Joseph has not more than thirty-five warriors, all told, and that he has no influence with the other Nez Perces.

This commission business, may be very pleasant and profitable to the commissioners, but in this instance, can be of no benefit to the government or the Indians. The spread of this false report of danger from hostile Indians is a great injury to this section of the country, as by creating a false alarm, it prevents emigration and settlement in this country.

The sentimental affection for the Indian which pervades the East is a good theme for the novelist and poet, but when practiced in the West, the men who apply the sentiment, generally make money for themselves. If Adam and Eve are the common ancestors of both the Indians and the whites, and their descendants inherit equally the whole earth, it would appear that a white man had the same rights as the Indian. It would be difficult to find in either the new or old testaments a doctrine which would confine the white

race to crowded cities and starvation, while the Indian had his thousands of acres of uncultivated and waste lands. Treaty making with the Indians has been the cause of most of our troubles, because they are generally imperfectly understood by the Indians and seldom strictly complied with by the whites. Great Britain has had less trouble than we, because it has made no treaties, but has forced both the Indians and whites to conform strictly to the law made applicable to all alike. This principle of equality before the law, is clearly announced by the 15th Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, which declares that "all persons born in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof are citizens of the United States," and no law "shall be passed denying to any citizen equal protection of the laws." As the Supreme Court has decided that Indians are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, it would seem that the constitution itself should enforce the passage of laws equally applicable to Indians and whites alike.

OCCASIONAL.

MORE BIG TREES.

It is not generally known that there exists in Fresno county a rival of the Yosemite valley. The new valley is on King's river, is forty-five miles long from east to west, and has an average width at the bottom of about half a mile. The Fresno Republican says: It lies five thousand feet above the sea, and its walls, which are about three thousand feet high, are very precipitous. In this valley, a new grove of colossal redwood trees have been discovered. One of them eclipses all that have been discovered on the Pacific coast. Its circumference, as high as a man can reach and pass a tape line around, is a few inches less than a hundred and fifty feet. This is beyond the measurement of any tree in the Calaveras grove. The height is estimated at a hundred and sixty feet; and a part of the top lying on the ground is over a hundred feet in length.

Turning the Ocean into the Desert of Sahara.

They are still talking in Europe about turning the ocean into the desert of Sahara; and the scheme seems to be taking a more practicable form through the energy of its promotor. Mr. Donald Mackenzie has been to Africa, and reports that a sand bar a mile and a half long by 300 yards in width upon the coast opposite the Canary Islands, is the only obstruction to the mouth of the ancient inland sea. The land behind the bar is 230 feet below the level of the ocean. It is his belief that upon cutting through the 300 yards of sand the water will at once enter its former bed. Mr. Mackenzie has also held a conference with the chiefs upon the northwestern coast of Africa, and they have agreed to his proposals of trade. If carried out, this scheme is expected to be of great assistance in the christianization of Africa, from the fact that the trading posts are to be in part missionary settlements.—S. F. Bulletin.

The 105 miles of Northern Pacific railroad in Washington Territory, connecting Puget Sound and the Columbia river, between Tacoma and Kalama, yielded a revenue last year of \$102,221,94, or nearly \$300 per day for every working day of the year. The operating expenses were \$66,732 57, or about \$200 per day; and the profit \$35,508,37, or over \$100 per day.