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District Court

Resumed its session in this County on Tuesday, and Judge Gilchrist has been dispatching business as rapidly as possible. We were pleased to see a reform suggested in reference to actions on forfeited recognizances. We trust the effort to save expense by the new order of proceedings proposed will succeed, and the expensive and circuitous proceedings which have heretofore lumbered up actions in such cases be abolished. If this cannot be reached in any other way, we hope the necessary legislation will take place to put the practice of the Courts on the right basis. The Judge and bar all lean to the side of the reform, and an effort will be made to carry out the better practice in this class of cases.

The Carson Brothers have established a branch house in their business on the line of the Pacific Railroad in Kaw bottom, and are doing a good business there. Trade is lively, and they are selling right along. We advise them, however, to hold on to their house here, which, we believe, they intend to do.

The Result.

As will be seen by the official canvass of the vote at the election on Tuesday week, the following persons are elected to office in the county. All of them, we are pleased to say, are Republicans: Treasurer, William A. Coy. Co. Clerk, Terry Critchfield, (re-elected.)

Register of Deeds, Lewis J. Trower. Sheriff, Horace Gibbs, (re-elected.) Probate Judge, John W. Day.

Assessor, Henry B. Wiley. Surveyor, John N. Hall, (re-elected.) Coroner, Geo. Goldison.

Commissioners, C. W. Short, Levi Wilhelm, D. M. Smith.

Representatives—19th District, W. N. Allen; 20th Dist. Geo. Vaughtsbeck; 21st Dist. A. Vennard.

In the hands of these men, we think the interests of the County are safe. Some good men were defeated—just as good as those elected—but this result is to be traced to the fact that all could not be elected.

MARRIED.—On the 12th inst., at the residence of John Jeffries, Sr., near Winchester, by L. Wilhelm, J. P., Mr. Henry C. Minter, to Miss Nancy J. Grant.

DEATH.—At Washington, Miss, on Thursday, Nov. 24, 1865, Willis R. son of J. O., and Nellie Reed, aged 4 years five months and 13 days.

Dark the day that came upon us, When our dreams and hopes were dead, And our darling little Willie To the spirit Land had sped: And with breaking hearts we bore him, To his lonely silent bed.

But the morning dawned upon us, Peace had soothed our sorrow wild; For the party gods were opened, We beheld our lovely child, And amidst celestial spirits, These our little angel smiled.

Though the days seem dark and dreary, We will look beyond the tomb, Where immortal flowers are waving In one sweet, perpetual bloom, And our Willie there is waiting, Lovingly to greet us home.

Thanksgiving Proclamation. Proclamation by the President of the United States of America.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God, during the past year, which is now coming to an end, to relieve our beloved country from the fearful scourge of civil war, and to permit us to secure the blessing of peace, amity and harmony, with a great enlargement of civil liberty; and

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father has also during the year graciously averted from us the calamities of foreign war, pestilence and famine, while our granaries are full of the fruits of an abundant season;

Now, THEREFORE, I, Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, do hereby recommend to the people thereof that they do set apart and observe the first Saturday of December as a day of National Thanksgiving to the Creator of the Universe for these deliverances and blessings; and I do further recommend that on that occasion the whole people make confession of our National sins against His infinite goodness, and with one heart and one mind implore the divine guidance in the way of National virtue and holiness.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington this 28th day of October, in the year of our Lord, 1865, and of the independence of the United States the nineteenth.

ANDREW JOHNSON, By the President: Wm. H. Seward, Sec. of State.

Starvation at Gibraltar.

Our readers are already aware of the existence of the cholera at Gibraltar, and the extent to which its ravages have gone, but few are acquainted with the distress which has resulted indirectly from it. On the latter point a writer in the London Times says: The Spanish authorities have established a cordon across the slip or semi-desert which separates Gibraltar from the interior. No one is allowed to pass either from or to the rock. Not only so but for the same reason—the prevalence of the cholera—no ships from Gibraltar are allowed to enter any Spanish port. Thus, on all hands, the rock people are cut off from their kind. The inhabitants of Gibraltar mainly depend upon their trade with Algeiras and other ports. And now that this is stopped, and all means of communication cut off, they are to the number of two thousand almost literally starving. This is a very shocking revelation. No one can realize, but every one can form some conception of the horrors of such a situation—imprisonment on a rock, with disease and want to do their very worst.

On Sunday evening, about 9 o'clock, a man named Purcell, from Emporia, was robbed by two men in soldiers' clothing, while enamped at Five-Mile Creek, on the Kansas City road. The fellows pretended to be detectives, and took his money—\$230—on the pretense that it was counterfeit; telling him to call at the Mayor's office next morning, when the money would be returned to him if it was genuine. Robberies of this kind are becoming fearfully frequent.

One day last week another man was robbed in the Government Lane of a sum of money and five revolvers. He was set upon suddenly by two men in soldiers' clothing, and relieved of everything he had before he could use his weapons.

A soldier belonging to the 24 U. S. Infantry was found on the road from the city to the Fort, on Monday morning, lying insensible. On examination it was found that he had been shot in the head, the ball passing clear through. He was taken to the hospital at the Fort, and died during the day.

Mr. Kirkendall, of this city, was robbed a few days ago, of \$280 near the Marcus du Cynne, south of Paola. The job was neatly done by a couple of city young men, who stepped from the brush, and ordered him to halt. They afterwards returned to him \$10, to pay his expenses homewards. We understand the young gentlemen were afterwards arrested at Olathe and are now in jail.

Two colored men, engaged in hauling wood for Mr. Gil, of this city, from Missouri, were fired on by a party of men on the other side of the river, a day or two ago, and one of them dangerously wounded. The attacking party then drove off the team.—Bulletin, 15th.

It is officially stated from rolls in possession of the government that Gen. Lee's army, at the surrender, numbered 28,008; Johnston's 37,000.

The negro rebellion is progressing with vigor and horror.

Gen. Duff Green, of Alabama, died at Mobile, on the 10th.

The rumor that Preston King had resigned is entirely untrue. He was seen to jump overboard from the Hobboken ferry-boat, and was drowned.—He was laboring under a temporary aberration of mind, superinduced by nervous debility, from which he had suffered for some weeks past. His body has not been recovered.

One who is half man, half dog, will bow to the rich and bow-wow to the poor.

Thought and sense do not please the world half so well as fashionable nonsense.

We are told to take care, but it comes any way, whether we evince a disposition to take it or not.

Laborers of the body free us from pains of the mind. This is what constitutes the happiness of the poor.

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