

Lexington Caucasian.

A STATE POLICE. Or Worse.

Western Missouri is deceiving with rapid strides to that place of anarchy which calls for the intercession of the stronger arm of the law. In fact, disorder, to a greater or less extent, as developed by greater or less real or imaginary provocation, is rife not only in Western Missouri, but throughout this whole state and Kansas.

In the present disturbed condition of society, when the reading public is surfeited upon a pabulum of horrors and when its morbid tastes are taught to yearn longingly for the details of the next expected stirring event, which proverbially eclipses all its predecessors in dash and ecstacy, it will not be a needless reflection to the few who may sympathize with the high-banded actors, to know that Missouri leads the whole Union in malefactors in the heroic splendor and perfect sangfroid of her brilliant highwaymen.

Where and how is all this lawlessness to end?—the murders, horse-stealings, arson, rapings, invasions of the right of domicile, and general contempt for the efficacy and majesty of the law? Will the evil cure itself? Is the law any longer omnipotent, when malefactors in the hands of the law and its officers, and under the eye of its administrators—(as lately the case at Fulton)—are taken from the executors of the law and hanged, and the custodians of the prisoner, including the chief officer of the county, are brutally shot down and murdered while discharging their sworn duty? What is to be done? Something surely, or irremediable anarchy will follow.

One of two courses presents itself. Either the Legislature, at its January adjourned session, should authorize the employment of a special picked police of say 2,000 men, at whatever cost to the state; whose duty it shall be to aid the officers in the several counties in ferreting out malefactors and bringing all suspicious characters to justice, and to sustain the majesty of the law;—or the law and order populace of the grievously infested and infected counties will have to combine in forming herculean safety committees, subject to the law, whose work it will be to arrest all criminals and prowl and brand them over to the courts for trial, and to render secure those in the hands of the authorities. Either of these two plans, or worse, will likely be the result of the present alarming state of public morals. We are for the first—falling in which, we may be compelled, in order to escape a reign of mobocratic terror, to advocate the latter. We, therefore, call upon the Legislature to give this subject its serious attention. We are aware that a pecuniary objection will be urged. Let those who offer it but consider that a body of 2,000 state-police men will be used in all parts of the state at a woman's notice when wanted, will cost the state only a trifling per cent. of the sum which this growing spirit of defiance of law may entail, if not promptly and entirely crushed out;—not only in the loss of reputation and checked immigration, but in our present taxable wealth, by depreciation. No man will live, much less will he seek a home, in the vestibule of hell; for such only may a community be considered, which is in a state of anarchy and open lawlessness.

AT HOME IN LAFAYETTE.

The Bank Robbers and Train-Ditchers Visit Lexington. Almost Daily.

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Correct! Just the doctrine which the Caucasian has boldly enunciated from time immemorial, and for the maintenance of which mobocrats and their sympathizers, including individuals in official stations, have denounced us without stint. Every participant in a mob or mob-movement, is personally guilty of any and every crime committed by that mob. A murder by a mob, even of "highly respectable citizens," is a murder by every man of the mob—murderer! Crime is not diminished by subdivision among a number of criminals. Each one is guilty of the whole offence. Not until this becomes a recognized principle of law and practice, can we hope to see our noble Empire State of the West freed from the atrocious dramas of blood, which are fast making her name a hissing and a byword throughout all Christendom.

BROWNSVILLE'S BOUNTY.

A DELIGHTFUL DAY AT THE SWEET SPRINGS.

Wayne county wants to sell swamp lands and educate her ignoramuses. St. Francois and Washington counties will agree not over five bushels of corn to the acre. Mr. Brown, near Lebanon, cleaning out his well a few days ago, found a feather-bed at the bottom of it. A little son of Ed. Emerson, of Pike county, sold four mocking-birds in Louisiana, the other day, at \$5 each.

Chickens have broken out in Benton township, Platte county, the deaths in the first twenty-four hours, last week. During the Callaway fair, Dr. Price, of Jefferson City, bought a four-year-old sorrel gelding, from Dr. Howard, of Fulton, at \$1,300. J. R. Keller, of Liberty, the senator in connection with the state senatorship left vacant by the death of gallant "Old Tom McCarty."

Gen. James L. Minor, for thirty-five years a resident of Jefferson city, has leased his suburban farm at Pleasantview, and removed to St. Louis. At one of the late camp-meetings in Butler county, seven-up, chuck-a-luck and three-card monte flourished not a hundred yards distant from the altar. Murderous miscreants along the Missouri river, are amusing themselves by firing into the trains. It is regarded as the only safe prescription for all such cases.

Tom Park, of the Platte City Landmark, speaks of Hon. Tug Reynolds, of the Western Commercial, as bearing a "blinking orphan" to the fair, which may be "upon his shoulders." The Richmond Conservator says a party at Dr. Mosby's, on the evening of the 15th, "embraced nearly all the young ladies of the city." Lordy! lordy! how we'd like to have been that "party!" We are indebted to the "Committee of Investigation" for the "Balls and Farmers' State Convention," at Jefferson City, on the 1st of October. The Cole county fair will be in progress at the time.

STATE NEWS.

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Terrible ravages of cholera in Fayette, Howard county. Fifty deaths in a population of 800. The cholera is a son and daughter of W. L. Conroy, editor of the Banner, and son of C. J. Walden, editor of the Advertiser. Both newspapers suspended. Every saloon and nearly every business house closed. Universal gloom and mourning covering around on specter-high-roads. The Methodists at Lutesville are a virtuous people. They scratch, spit, draw up, and squirm about during services, to such a degree, that one might suspect that they are sneaking the night. But such is not the case. The trouble arises from the fact that the church needs underpinning to keep the logs from bedding under it, and leaving a description of flea which parateth when no man can catch.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

McKee & Austin, New Meat. Vegetable Stew. Guardian's Notice Final Settlement.

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First Sale. Second Saturday of Every Month.

Stock to be \$80.00. Various stock listings.

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