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A vote for Harry St. Claire for assessor means a vote for a man best fitted to discharge the duties of the office honestly and intelligently.

NEXT Tuesday at sundown the agony will be over. It ought to be the honest wish of every citizen that the best men may win. The selection of ministerial and executive officers is simply a matter of business and ought so to be regarded by every interested voter. Politics cuts no figure. Let voters go to the polls with an honest desire to promote the best interests of the county and vote accordingly.

VOTERS do not want to forget that Capt. W. L. George is one of the most solid and substantial men in the territory. He is whole souled, broad minded, a man of unsullied character and unimpeachable integrity. He is too broad to cherish a petty sectionary sentiment or feeling. He is a large taxpayer and is vitally interested in an honest conduct of the business of the county, and will make one of the best supervisors this county has ever had. Vote for him. The office he seeks is a business one, not a political one in any respect.

THERE is no more broad gauge man in Arizona than Col John W. Dorrington of that veteran journal the Yuma Sentinel. The Sentinel is one of the staunchest Republican papers of the territory, yet it is broad enough to give credit to whom credit is due whether a political opponent or not. This is characteristic of the Sentinel and always has been. In its last issue it says: "From a reliable source we learn that Arizona will in a few days be paid the sum of \$37,000 by the federal government for the keeping of Indian prisoners during the last few years. This will be another credit to be placed on the side of the present administration. This neat sum was dug up by Superintendent Thomas Gates of the Territorial prison." John Dorrington deserves more at the hands of the people of this territory than he is receiving.

A TRUE STATEMENT.

We heartily endorse the patriotic declarations of Gov. Hughes concerning the return of the old cut-throat Geronimo to Arizona found in the following extract from his report to the Secretary of the Interior. The language therein is high toned but forcible and significant:

The solution of the Apache Indian troubles in Arizona was reached in the removal of Geronimo and his band of Chiricahua Apaches to the Atlantic coast seven years ago. Comparative peace has prevailed among the other Apache tribes ever since. Recently there has been much interest manifested by the citizens of the territory with reference to the removal of these Indians to Fort Sill, Indian Territory, and the report has gained

credence, which is causing much public concern, that it is the ultimate purpose of the government to return them to the White Mountain Indian reservation.

No greater or more fatal mistake could be made by the government than to return these Indians to Arizona. While there is little or no danger to be apprehended from them while located in the Indian Territory, their return to Arizona would be fraught with great danger. The traditions, history, experience, fancied or real injuries suffered by them and their ancestors, will appear before them in every mountain canyon, valley and stream. The story printed thereon will be so many pages of history which they will relate to the young warriors and thus inflame the spirit of revenge.

There is no power which can restrain the fierce spirit thus rekindled in the presence of the home and graves of their fathers. As long as they are not permitted to behold the land of their birth and its historic scenes, their traditions of their ancestors, their bloody deeds and victories cannot be told with effect to the youth who has grown to manhood in other climes.

In the interest of all concerned, I must respectfully appeal to you not to permit the return of these Indians to their native haunts of this Territory. While our people harbor no spirit of hate or revenge against them on account of their wanton murder of hundreds of settlers and the destruction of property, yet if they are brought within the jurisdiction of our courts, in the interest of justice, peace and safety, the guilty may have to answer for the murders they have committed.

Harry St. Claire has made a personal and complete canvass of our county to inform himself on general values. He is making his canvass on the principle of equal and just taxation to all.

H. B. St. Claire

REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR.

The genial sun of Indiana first shed the light of day on the present Republican nominee for County Assessor, Mr. H. B. St. Claire in 1858. He is a genuine Hoosier and was a "school master" for three years on leaving college in his native state. His education began in the public schools and ended in an Indiana University. He left the business of teaching to go into the post office of his native town as deputy postmaster where he served several years, then removed to the State of Texas where he acted in like capacity for a time, then entered into the mercantile business, subsequently coming to this Territory in 1884. Here he invested in the stock business at once and has also been interested at one time and another in some of our best mercantile firms giving much of his time and attention to that business and amidst it all he has found time to handle a good deal of real estate, buying and selling property for himself, however. At present he is devoting his time to his stock and is ranching in the valley near Phoenix. In all his varied pursuits he has made a success of it every time.

Mr. St. Claire has never sought public office of any kind and has never held public office; his great energy and perseverance has been turned entirely to his varied business, his interest in politics being only of a passing nature and solely with a view to securing good public service.

Mr. St. Claire is peculiarly and

unusually well equipped for the office of assessor; it is not probable that there are ten men in the county so well qualified by experience to fill the office for which he has been nominated. In the first place he has a large experience in varied mercantile business and that his judgment has been first class in the business is evidenced by the fact that he has been uniformly successful. Again he has a stockman's experience of years standing in growing, feeding and handling stock, in which business he has also been successful. Last but not least Mr. St. Claire has owned and handled a large amount of city and country property at one time or another, for a man who was not properly in the real estate business, and his judgment has not led him astray in a single instance as to the value of the property. There are very few men in the county so intimately acquainted with these three great sources of our business and wealth and there are very few that have exercised such uniform good judgment in all these connections. Among all our citizens there are probably none that would make a more capable and thorough assessor than Mr. St. Claire and the people generally will recognize this fact at the polls and vote for him.

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