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VIEWS AND REVIEWS.

The Senate of Kentucky has voted to sell the governor's mansion, regarding it as too expensive to be kept up.

The engineer-in-chief of the English navy has lately been inspecting the monster ironclads at Spezia and Naples. He does not think very favorably of the build of the Duilio and Lepanto.

The inhabitants of the Isle of Rottnam, who seek annexation to Feejee to escape the harsh rule of the missionaries, particularly resented the fines imposed on women for smoking cigarettes.

The greatest feat in the way of rapid railway making is said to be that of Sir R. Temple, in the late Afghan campaign. One hundred and thirty miles of railway was constructed in one hundred and one days.

Miss Jennie Flood, daughter of the California millionaire, will have an income of a hundred thousand dollars a year when married. She is more than ordinarily anxious to get married on this account.

It has long been known that fish return to about the same place in the same rivers each year to spawn, but it is a recent discovery that they go up the left hand side of the stream and coming down take the opposite side. Fishermen may be benefited by remembering this.

A druggist at Portland, Maine, was aroused in the night by a man who wanted to buy some brandy. The druggist refused to sell it, fearing prosecution under the Prohibition law. The man declared that the liquor was for his wife who had been taken violently ill, and might die unless she got it; so he was given a small quantity. He was really a temperance spy, and on the following day he had the dealer arrested.

In the last Parliament two noblemen, the Dukes of Devonshire and Abercorn, had each three sons in the House of Commons, and at one time the latter had a brother in the House contemporaneously with his three sons—probably an unprecedented circumstance. The Duke of Abercorn's younger sons owe their seats as much to personal merit as to rank and position. Their father's income is not a fifth of that of the Duke of Devonshire.

At a social game of poker a Virginia City merchant recently won an undeveloped gravel claim, near Nevada City, and was laughed at. He said, with some strong language, that he'd show 'em a trick or two, and after 'salting' his gravel bed with \$500 worth of gold dust and small nuggets, induced Eastern capitalists to examine his rich claim. They did so, bought it of him for \$2,000, and in the first three weeks took \$8,000 out of the claim. Then the Virginia City merchant was very much disgusted with himself.

Langden W. Moore, the wonderfully successful bank robber, who made \$306,000 by breaking into the vault of the Concord National Bank, and afterward lived in sumptuous style at a villa near Philadelphia, has at last been convicted in Boston, and sentenced to sixteen years' imprisonment. He is not so much appalled by the prospective duration, however, as by the fact that there are several convicts in that prison whom his disloyalty sent there and who have sworn, he says, to murder him. He believes they will keep their word, and begs to be sent to some other prison, but his prayer is not granted.

Iowa, which is the banner Republican State, shows the worst official corruption of any State in the Union. Of ninety-nine county treasurers, no less than forty-four are defaulters. The Governor's private secretary has made off with \$70,000 of the people's money; the State treasurer has appropriated \$50,000 belonging to the agricultural college, and the assistant State treasurer has also secured several thousand dollars of public moneys. Such is the picture of the banner Republican State drawn by the Chicago Times.

Another evidence of the distress and poverty in Ireland is the fact that no less than \$19,000,000 of savings were drawn from the Irish savings banks during the past year. There has also been a decrease of \$8,000,000 in bank notes in circulation in Ireland, showing that the country has, in consequence of the bad crops of the past three years, grown poorer. The average value of the potato crop raised in Ireland, a few years ago, was \$18,000,000; in 1875 (a very good year) it was \$22,350,000, while last year it was only \$16,700,000. The aggregate loss during the past three years, all of which have been very bad years, from the potato crop has been not less than \$50,000,000, while the land and cottages have decreased in value \$50,000,000.

STATE RIGHTS.

In continuation of our remarks of the 1st instant, and the opinion of Mr. Justice Field upon the rights of the several States, we to-day make additional quotations from that eminent jurist, feeling well assured that the force and truthfulness of his reasoning will be appreciated by our readers. It must be borne in mind that in that portion of his opinion which we quoted yesterday, reference was had to the Articles of Confederation agreed upon by the representatives of the several States, before the adoption of the Constitution. In speaking of the adoption of the Constitution, Mr. Field says:

"When the government of the confederation failed, chiefly through the want of all coercive authority to carry into effect its measures, its power being only that of recommendation to the States, and the present Constitution was adopted, the same general ends were sought to be attained, namely, the creation of a central government, which would take exclusive charge of all our foreign relations, representing the people of all the States in that respect as one nation, and would at the same time secure at home freedom of intercourse between the States, equality of protection to citizens of each State in the several States, uniformity of commercial regulations, a common currency, a standard of weights and measures, one postal system, and such other matters as concerned all the States and their people."

Accordingly, the new government was invested with powers adequate to the accomplishment of these purposes, with which it could act directly upon the people, and not by recommendation to the States, and enforce its measures through tribunals and officers of its own creation. There were also restraints placed upon the action of States to prevent interference with the authority of the new government, and to secure to all persons protection against punishment by legislative decree, and ensure the fulfillment of contract obligations. But the control of matters of purely local concern, not coming within the scope of the powers granted or the restraints mentioned, was left, where it had always existed, with the States. The new government, being one of granted powers its authority was limited by them and such as were necessarily implied for their execution. But lest the misconception of their extent these powers might be abused, the tenth amendment was at an early day adopted, declaring that the powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States or to the people."

Reasoning upon this point, Mr. Field continues to discuss the designs and aims of those who framed the Constitution, as well as the Constitution itself, and establish the correctness of his position by citations from the opinions of some of the most eminent jurists who have adorned the bench of the Supreme Court of the United States. His language is so clear, concise and direct, and his argument so logical, yet easy of comprehension, that we deem no apology necessary for quoting liberally from his words of truth and wisdom, and hence, we invite attention to the following:

"Now, if we look into the Constitution we shall not find a single word, from its opening to its concluding line, in any of the amendments in force before the close of the civil war, nor, as I shall hereafter endeavor to show, in those subsequently adopted, which authorizes any interference by Congress with the States in the administration of their governments, and the enforcement of their laws with respect to any matter over which jurisdiction was not surrendered to the United States. The design of its framers was not to destroy the States, but to form a more perfect union between them, and whilst creating a central government for certain great purposes, to leave to the States, in all matters the jurisdiction of which was not surrendered, the function essential to separate and independent existence. And so the late Chief Justice, [Chase] speaking for the Court, in 1869, said: 'Not only, therefore, can there be no loss of separate and independent autonomy to the States, through their union under the Constitution, but it may not be unreasonably said that the preservation of the States, and the maintenance of their governments, are as much within the design and care of the Constitution as the preservation of the Union and the maintenance of the national government.'"

Mr. Field gives additional force to his argument by quoting a still later opinion in which Mr. Justice Nelson, speaking for the court, in 1871, says:

"The general government, and the States, although they both exist within the same territorial limits, are separate and distinct sovereignties, acting separately and independently of each other, within their respective spheres. The former in its appropriate sphere is supreme; but the States, within the limits of their powers not granted, or, in the language of the tenth amendment, 'reserved' are as independent of the general government as that government within its sphere is independent of the States. And again: 'We have said that one of the reserved powers was that to establish a judicial department; it would have been more accurate and in accordance with the existing state of things at the time, to have said the power to maintain a judicial department. All of the thirteen States were in the possession of this power and had exercised it at the adoption of the Constitution; and it is not pretended that any grant of it to the general government is found in that instrument. It is, therefore, one of the sovereign powers vested in the States by their constitutions, which remained unaltered and unimpaired, and in respect

to which the State is as independent of the general government as that government is of the States."—(The Collector vs. Day, 11 Wall, 124-6.)

MOONSHINE

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