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## SUNDAY LAWLESSNESS.

AROUND some of the meeting houses a little distance out of the city, were scattered, on Sunday, a large number of handbills announcing a trapeze performance and a balloon ascension, as part of "a grand program" arranged for Sunday, August 9th, at a public garden.

On the State road just out of town, crowds of people were to be seen at saloons which kept open house, and at which, apparently, intoxicants were vended as on a week day.

What are the county authorities doing as to the enforcement of the territorial statutes? What is the sheriff doing to uphold the law? What are the people of Farmer's and Mill Creek precincts about, in permitting this lawlessness to continue without some active measures looking to its suppression?

There is a great deal of unfavorable comment over the infraction of the Sunday ordinance in this city. It is claimed that liquor can be had without difficulty, only by the back way into saloons, on any Sunday by those who know how to apply for it. If Sunday liquor selling is wrong in town, it is wrong in the country. The territorial statute is as emphatic and binding on this offense as the city ordinance is. Both should be enforced or be repealed.

We consider these open defiance of law disgraceful on the part of those who promote them, and still more disgraceful in those whose duty it is to enforce the law and who wink at it if they do not approve of and support its violation.

The proceedings which we have drawn attention to are a public scandal and a nuisance, and we think the citizens in the vicinity where they occur will be derelict in their duty, if they do not stir up the tardy county officials and see to it that these nuisances are abated without delay.

The treaty between Austria and Turkey relative to the occupation of Bosnia and Herzegovina was signed August 15, 1878.

## A TERRIBLE REVOLUTION.

AT THE school election in Logan, Cache County, the Republican vote, it appears, was 175. At the general election it was 228. The figures differ somewhat from those on which we relied for proof that the *Tribune* story about a "revolution" among the Republicans was a falsehood. But they are stronger and more convincing, if possible, than the first report.

The *Tribune* took the word of a puerile old Presbyterian priest, a "Liberal," of course, who holds forth at Hyrum and gives his "information" about Logan second-hand, and with its wonted perversity repeats as a fact that which is nothing but pure fiction. It claims that there was a "revolution" effected through a ten minutes speech of a prominent public man in Logan, that "Republicans tore off their badges," deserted their party, and voted for the Democrats.

We have demonstrated by the election returns that there were more Republican votes at the general election than at the school election, and that therefore there was no such revolution as claimed. The corrected figures strengthen our position and correspondingly weaken that of the *Tribune*, if it is possible to weaken ground that is not only untenable but has no actual existence.

Those who know, who were on the spot, who are familiar with all the details of the campaign, declare that there was no badge torn off by anybody; that the declared Republicans voted their party ticket; that the increase of votes was very encouraging to the Republican party; and that the Democratic majority was due to two well known facts: First that the Democrats who did not vote at the school election rallied and went to the polls at the general election, and second, that a number of undecided voters joined them and voted the Democratic ticket.

The *Tribune* took the old sectarian priest's jumble of nonsense for facts because they suited its purpose, proclaimed a "revolution" without stopping to look at the figures, and now that the returns prove it to have made a most egregious blunder, it persists in its folly and so gets down into its old dirty and contemptible trick of trying to lie itself out of a dilemma.

Let these figures stand as evidence of how much of a "revolution" there was among the Republicans at Logan between the school election and the general election:

Republican vote at the school election, 175.

Republican vote at the general election, 228.

Increase in the Republican vote, 52.  
What a terrible "revolution!"

## A DEADLY WEAPON IN SOCIETY.

THE sober mind of New York is at last made aware that the law against the carrying of deadly weapons is not entirely a whim. The *World* is among those who believe that lawabiding citizens, as a rule, do not need sixshooters in their pockets often enough to make them of much consequence to security, and that if those who carry them for improper purposes were curtailed in this indulgence, the others could well afford to yield that much of their liberty. If the United States public has a practice more reprehensible than that of carrying a gun concealed upon its person, it is the practice of its officers in permitting it to do so unlawfully.

But we believe that there are times when a pistol is a legitimate and consistent protection for the most peaceable of citizens. We believe that the carrying of a deadly weapon in this city today is no mark of bad motive or disrespect to law. A man cannot walk the streets after night without running a risk of being assaulted by ruffians. And while contending for the enforcement of the law against carrying deadly weapons, we hold that a means should be available by which such a weapon may be carried lawfully by men who have occasion for such protection and can furnish reliable proof of a reputation for peace and quietness.

## ADVERTISING FOR EVERYTHING.

MRS. LESLIE CARTER is in a bad fix. According to the latest reports of her eccentric operations she has been before a New York court on a judgment for debt and confessed by way of defense that she had neither the money to pay nor the means of getting it. The debt, by the way, was for a pastel portrait of herself, the bill for which she at first undertook to repudiate on the ground that the picture was not good. But the dodge did not work well in court and so came her humiliation.

Mrs. Leslie Carter will be remembered as the respondent in that famous Chicago divorce suit which up to date is about the vilest that has gone on to the records of an American court. Her co-respondent was Kyrle Bellew, the actor, who on the strength of her extensive reputation for being the most characterless woman in America induced her to adopt the profession of an actress.

This new turn of her career was deemed of sufficient importance to the people of the United States to justify a lengthy interview under the auspices