

THE COURIER.

FRIDAY, MAY 4, 1883.

IRISH PROSPECTS.

A Letter From the Home of the Oppressed.

EDITOR COURIER:—I have before me a copy of the Cooperstown Courier, a neat, tidy little paper sent to me by my son, who has made a home in or about your young city in the far west, and if it was only upon his account I wish you success. As Irishmen are everywhere I suppose you have a fair share of them, who would like to hear a few words from the old country. As landlordism was the curse of Ireland for centuries, I am happy to have to tell my farming friends in Dakota that the monster has got its death blow, and to-day no landlord can raise his tenant's rent without having the subject discussed in the land court. This is the first step toward our emancipation from serfdom, but with all the improvement in our land laws our small farmers are quite unable to compete with our Yankee cousins. We are trying to build silos to meet you by ensilage as winter feed for our cattle upon this American system of storing foreign crops.

AN IMPORTANT STEP

has been taken in the direction of peasant proprietary in the county Mayo, where the tenants on the estate of Mr. Tim Signeo deeded on Friday last by which they ceased to be tenants and became proprietors. The tenantry numbered 23 and their rents varied from £75 to £4. Three-fourths of the purchase money is being borrowed from the land commission and the remaining fourth remains a mortgage on the property.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

is making havoc among our cattle, having developed itself to an alarming extent among the sheep stocks of Scotland and also the cattle in the Midlothians. The annual sale of Galloway bulls was held at Castle Douglas on Tuesday. The average price realized for the 42 yearling bulls sold was £23, 10 shilling. The highest price being £64, 10s. This year's average exceeded that of the preceding five years by 11 s. per head. An increasing demand is being experienced in America for Galloway cattle and breeders in Scotland are responding by devoting greater attention to the breed.

AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS

in parliament are receiving a very fair share of attention. We are to have a tenant right bill for England introduced this session, so you see that Irishmen have set the example of fair play to Englishmen, and the day is fast approaching when you will have to grapple with the land grabbers in America just as fast as they are deprived of a little of their gains here they intend to pull up for in by investing largely in your government lands. They are stealing a march upon you at the present time. You will find it out bye and bye.

Miracles are still wrought in Ireland. One of them is the re-foresting all the waste lands. The work has been commenced last week in the county Donegal, and thousands of acres are to be planted with young trees and all idle lands are being occupied, at the work of making Ireland over again.

The next best thing is the weather which has changed most opportunely. During the last week it has been most mild and seasonable. Vegetation has taken a start, grass fields are rapidly changing their color, and with a spell of favorable weather the supply of early pasture would be abundant. Upon the whole the agricultural outlook is at the present moment tolerably bright, but the Irish farmer is so steeped in poverty that he is unable to take advantage of even a favorable season. Seed potatoes are selling at present from £5 to £10 per ton and oats about the same price.

The next time I write a few lines to the COURIER perhaps I may have better news from Ireland, and I may hear from you that your new railway has reached Cooperstown.

Yours Truly
JOHN WALKER,
TROMA COTTAGE,
Moira, Ireland.

The officers of law at Brainerd, Minn., had a fight with a gang of armed tramps last week. One tramp was killed and eight were captured.

Senator Jones of Florida intends to visit Europe this summer, whence he came forty years ago a poor Irish boy, to seek fame and fortune in this country.

English Farmers are discouraged at the agricultural prospects. Since October last there has been scarcely one week's interval of fair weather, and while the autumn-sown wheat has been either washed out of the ground or irremediably damaged, but little opportunity has been afforded for the ordinary operations of the late winter or early spring. In eleven years there has been one winter with heavier rainfall—1876-77.

There exists in Montana, and the place is well known to many Montanans, a cave in which is piled an immense number of bones and skulls of bison, buffalo, deer, bear and smaller animals. These bones are carefully piled along the sides of the cave, and number thousands. It is supposed they were placed there by Indians. The writer of this has been in the cave and seen the skulls and bones. The cave is not over thirty miles from the line of the Utah & Northern Railroad, and is near the southern boundary of Montana.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership existing heretofore under the firm name of Upton & Johnson is hereby dissolved by mutual consent, the business to be continued by Andrew Johnson, who assumes all debts and collects all bills of said firm.

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