An Era of Crime.

A mere glance at the telegraphic columns in Monday's paper reveals a terrible condition of violence and crime throughout the country. The first dispatch describes the burning of a prisoners' barracks in this state by a refractory convict, the disclosure of a plot worst among the men confined, and the death of at least two of them in the flames. Then comes, one after another, a long array of crimes. There are two murders and one case of matricide followed by suicide, two cases of abortion. two great burglaries, one case of exten sive embezz'ement, one of incendiarism, one murderous attack in a saleon, the victim of which is not expected to live; in San Francisco three communists are arrested for an attempt to incite a riot; the news from West Virginia relates to a murder committed, although the man charged with it was acquitted; and the latest Little Rock. Ark., Gazette contains an elaborate account of the execution of Thos. Stoner for the diabolical murder of two women, and from Texas we hear of a reputable physician being taken out into the woods and receiving one hundred lashes upon the bare back, simply because he entertained opinions upon religion not in harmony with the views of many of his neighbors.

It has almost always been observed that after every great national convulsion, such as foreign or civil war, crime floods a country like an epidemic. It was seen in England after the wars of the Roses; after the series of political agitatians which terminated in the restoration of Charles II., and after the long war which ended in the peace after the battle of Waterloo, in 1815. Everyone who has studied the history of Spain since the light of Isabella, in 1868, and of France since the late war, must have been struck by the recurrence of a similar outbreak; but fortunately, in these two Latin communities it has subsided to a remarkable degree, and social order now prevails in both countries. In Berlin, itself, it is wellknown that crime has been more widespread since 1871, than it ever was before. In the United States, if we may assume, as we may fairly do, that the present era of wrong doing is the reflex of the agitation created by the civil war we must make the unhappy and humiliating confession that it has lasted some time longer here than anywhere in the Europe of to-day. For this there must be causes; one of them is possibly the the vast extent of our country, which seems to inspire criminals with the idea that, with common luck, they will always be able to find some refuge from justice in some corner or other of the land. Another, of course, and perhaps a leading cause, is the newness, and the wild pioneer life of many regions in the land. A very large proportion, perhaps a majority, of misdeeds in these sections, remote as many of them are from railroad, telegraph or newspaper office, are never reported, often forgotten, indeed, almost as soon as committed; but still it is somewhat singular that in the long list to which we have alluded there is only one reported from the new and far West, that of the case of the physician in Texas, which, from the singularity of its character, must be considered rather as incidental to, than within the miasma of the epidemic-rather as a strange accompaniment than a type of the disease.

A large proportion of the crimes telegraphed are in Ohio, an older and well-settled State; but in Ohio, as the returns from the last election abundantly proved, a very excitable element in the population has made great progress in numbers and weight. The theories of Communism, which, from the r nks of its strange allies, the Nihilists, of Russia, has now filled the jails of S. Petersburg and Moscow with two thousand prisoners arrested for that cause alone, have kindled among the masses of many of the cities and towns in Ohio, especially wherever there is any Bohemian population, an excitement fully as fierce and even more dangerous than that ever engendered by war. It is affiliated with that perturbation of men's minds, that rebellion against the inevitable operation of the laws of political economy, which found an expression so terrible in the destruction of riots in Pittsburg. The result in society thus shaken is a natural and direct ten dency to inflame everywhere the passions of all who, whether from want untenable principles, recklessness, or audacity, have been brought in any de gree under its influence. These comnot be-and very recently, except in San Francisco, have not been-the actual perpetrators of the outrages; but by their fervid denunciations of all the existing principles upon which society is conducted, and by which the framework of government is built up, they have so fevered the blood of thousands upon thousands that they are no longer amenable to the restraints which once controlled them far more effectually than now. We are by no means inclined to pessimism, but it is easy to see that the country is now passing through a crisis of moral as well as political history,-St Louis Globe Democrat.

A Romantic Infatuation.

An Heir toa Throne Following the Trav-

els of an American Songstress. appeared at the court of the Queen D.w. ager Josephine, of Sweden-then sojourning at the summer palace at Rosendal-four young and beautiful girls, whose remarkable talent as musicians had attracted the attention of musical connoisseurs of Europe, and thro'

Among those attracted by the beauty of porary Review. either the place or of its fair visitors, was a young noble who has since be which had been hatched by some of the come prominent in European politics and who stands next in succession to the throne of a kingdom. He had ever been fortunate in love; but at last he met his fate and suffered a defeat wounding to his pride, but more wounding to his heart. To one of this quartet of beauties he became deeply and devotedly attached; but, though it was apparent his affections were not engaged elsewhere, she would give him no encouragement, and all his advances were met with the coldest indifference when they could not be avoided altogether. The talent of this quartet of beauties caused them to be invited to visit vari ous European courts, and through Aus tria, Prussia, Russia, Holland, and the Rhineland, the devoted Prince followed the object of his heart's affections. Presents of immense value, and letters borne by the hands of embassadors, were alike quietly, but firmly refused, and the lovely girl, to all remenstrances of friends at the extremity of her coldness declared herself "wedded to her art." At length, in the fall of 1876, she, in company with three fellow graduates of the Conservatory of Music, Stockholm, left suddenly for the United States. Not even their nearest relatives knew of their intention to leave Europe. As for Prince Paul K-, he was nigh distracted. Compelled to remain in Europe, and not daring to relinquish the duties of his high station, he was forced to abandon the pursuit of the object of his adoration in propria personæ, but rusty messengers were sent in every direction to discover something of her whereabouts, when all doubts were set at rest by the arrival of dispatches from New York. After giving concerts in connection with the Ole Buli and Thomas Orchestra, the quartet last spring secured the services of John D. Mishler. and commenced what is to be a musical tour of the United States, to be completed at San Francisco. During their yacation this summer they were continuby a tall, dark, foreign looking gentletheir every movement. When they retired for amonth to a quiet Berks coun- the best possible guaranty against their be ty farm house, he took board at the vilthem at every opportunity. When they started on their concert tour he was an attendant at every concert, in every town, and invariably stopping at the same hotel as they did. His conduct was at last explained, and the whole story came out by his action at the Tifft House, at Buffalo, when he seized the opportunity to have an interview with the lovely blonde who had rejected the Prince. What passed at that interview can only be surmised; but certain it is this watchful emissary had been sending regular reports to Europe to his royal master, and he had obtained an interview under instructions. What-

The Women of Shakespeare.

Miss Adelaide Neilson says of the wemen of Shakespeare: "It would take a volume to classify them. Each and every one is a different creation, and their characters illustrate peculiar comparisons of mind force. In the character of Dasdemona we see a powerful illustration of conjugal devotion, and the strongest sympathy is excited for her sorrowful fate. In Isabella's is displayed a high souled principle; in Juliet's an enthusiastic love; in Constance is seen the highest form of maternal agony; in Margaret of Anjou, the sternproperty and loss of life at the rail way est energies of our sex; in Katherine, the completeness of resignation; in Ro salind, wit and romance; in Cleopatra, the beginning and end of coquetry; in | \$1 per bottle. Imogen, an affection that is deathless; in Ophelia, the fate of a broken heart and a maddened brain; in Cordelia's character we have the beautiful lesson munists and untrained would-be inno- of filial obedience; in Miranda's, innovators on all social law and order may cence; sweetness in that of Anne Page, and a playful freedom in that of Jessica. In all Shakespeare shows a true appreciation of female excellence, and he makes them talk and act like true women."

Stellar Spectroscopy.

We have seen the stars divided into orders according to their constitution. We recognize evidence tending to show that these various orders depend in part upon age-not absolute, but relative age, There are among the suns which people space some younger by far than our sun. others far older, and some in a late stage of stellar decrepitude. Whather as yet spectroscopists have perfectly succeeded in classifying these stellar orders in such sort that the connection between a star's spectrum and the star's age can be at once determined, may be doubtful. Some time in the spring of 1873 there | But certainly there are reasons for hoping that, before long, this will be done. Among the stars, and, strange to say, among celestial objects which are not stars, there are suns in every conceivable stage of development, from embryo masses not, as yet, justly to be regarded as suns, to masses which have ceased to the mediumship of Ottillie Welgren, fulfill the duties of suns. Among the secured them the friendship as well as more pressing duties of spectroscopic the patronage of royalty. It may be analysis at the present time, is the prop-

a great sensation among the susceptible I venture to predict, will be thrown on The monthly statement of the Hawkyouth attached to the court, and passing our sun's present condition, as well as eye Insurance Company for October is hours of idleness amid the beautiful on his past history, and on that future out. It shows a large increase of busiscenery and charming pleasures of this fate upon which depends the future of favorite abode of the Queen Dowager. our earth - R. A. Proctor in the Contem. dently the strongest and best managed

The Coffee-Plant in California. Capt. Peter Hansen, of Clayton, bro't to our office this week a bunch of twigs bearing berries about a quarter of an inch in diameter, some of them red, and some a dark purple, almost black, each of them inclosing twin grains, which, though of smaller size, resemble the coffee grains of commercs. The leaves of the plant are of oblate shape, olive green in color on the upper and a much lighter shade of green on the under surface, averaging about an inch in length by a quarter of an inch in breadth While none of the berries upon the twigs were mature, those of darkest color are presumed to be the nearest ripe. Capt. Hansen informs us that the plant from which the twigs were taken is the growth of a coffee berry he planted on his place some eight or ten years ago. The berry was taken from some coffee purchased for home use, and planted in the pod containing both grains, just as one is occasionally found in the coffee of commerce. The shrub is now eight or ten feet high and quite full of berries. Capt. Hansen is satisfied that the foreign coffee plant will do well in our climate and soil, and to test the matter has sent to a relative in Brazil for a quantity of the seed berries, which he intends planting the coming season. - Contra Costa (Cal.)

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