

THEY ENDURE FRIGHTFUL RELIGIOUS TORTURES

"PENITENTIES" NOW HOLDING BARBAROUS CEREMONIES IN NEW MEXICO

WITHIN the confines of our own United States in defiance of the laws of church and state, are being conducted at this very time frightful religious orgies, in which the heinous methods of flagellation, swathing naked bodies in cactus packs, staggering under huge crosses, and even crucifixion, all of which are heritages of torture from the Middle Ages, are being employed by a people to expiate their individual sins.

It seems impossible that in our country among actual voters of the Republic there should exist such a pandemonium of fanaticism and veritable den of witchcraft and deformed moral ideas, yet in isolated mountainous portions of New Mexico, where wild cries, shrieks and groans of agony may be absorbed in canon depths, and where high rock walls effectually shield the antics of the religious marauders from observation by the outside world, a coven of fanatics known as the Los Hermanos Penitentes (the Penitent Brothers), annually devote the 40 days of Lent to abetting their crimes as snakes shed their skins, and if they survive the self-inflicted penances, they emerge from the ordeal with brand-new souls, the old ones having been dumped into the lap of Satan.

Because of the strenuous interference of the Catholic church, as well as territorial powers, which are leveling and force prohibitory to the continuance of these brutal religious services, the native enthusiasm in the horrible sacrificial demonstrations has been considerably lessened, yet many courageous and irrepressible followers of the order still hide in mountain depths each year where, by enduring Stygian penances, their souls undergo renovation and purification.

Establishment of the Order.

The Order of Los Hermanos Penitentes was established in Spain over 350 years ago, though at that time no barbarism was practiced, the members meeting together for religious thought and study. It was brought to America and initiated among the Mexicans by the Franciscan Fathers, but under the influence of the formidable and untamed ideas of the people, the admirable methods of the original order became degraded, resulting into a series of diabolical customs, which were embraced with enthusiasm by almost the entire population of the territory which numbered several thousands of people.

In 1784 the first public penance was held in Mexico by Juan de Onate and his men, and after that, fraternal meetings were formed in every county and town, each fraternity being ruled over by a layman Mayor (chief brother), who was elected annually by members of the order. At this time the army of Penitentes was so immense that the Catholic church, to which they claimed allegiance, was powerless to quench the ardor of the fanatics at once, but by gradual and unflinching perseverance, by inflicting severe punishments on participants in the ceremonies who were captured and convicted, the dominant influence took effect, until at the present time the members of the once mighty organization have dwindled to a few hundred, who are compelled to conduct their ceremonies in secret under the most perilous conditions.



PENITENTE CROSSBEARERS ON THE MARCH. Photo by Cole, Pasadena.

With the beginning of Lent these bands of Penitentes struggle through the wilderness in procession, usually at night, each contingent preceded by a red bugler, who produces a weird, anomalous, fiercely wild thrilling melody of distorted notes, that scurries, struggle and leap through the bewildered air, scorching the nerves and courage of the listener, as fire scorches flesh. Following the musician come the Penitentes and their attendants, the latter dressed in citizens clothes. The Penitentes invariably have their heads enveloped in black cloths, and are naked



AFTER A CRUCIFIXION—GROUP OF PENITENTES TRYING TO RESTORE THE HALF-DEAD VICTIM TO LIFE. Photo by Cole, Pasadena.

to the waist, the only clothing worn being a pair of thin, white trousers. Barefooted they trudge over pathways paved with sharp stones and cactus, staggering under terrific burdens, or inflicting themselves with lashings that make the blood spurt from open wounds. The immensity of their penance is regulated by the amount of sins that have accumulated during the previous year. Sometimes their bodies are bent almost double as they struggle over the steep mountain sides bearing huge wooden crosses that weigh from 300 to 500 pounds. If they fall from

exhaustion, their attendants, who are not indulging in penance, leap and kick the offenders into renewed vigor, or until they faint and continue their fearful journey, which usually terminates at the top of some mountain.

Another horrible but popular method of doing penance is to carry great bundles of cactus on the naked back, so that every step will send thousands of vicious thorns deep into the cutluring flesh. To increase the agony these cactus packs are lashed so tightly to the body that the binding ropes cut into the skin and stop the circulation to such an extent that the limbs turn black. Perhaps no pain is more excruciating than that caused by the unceasing thrusts of the dagger-like thorns, yet the Penitentes endure the agony with remarkable fortitude, often lying down on the formidable packs that their sufferings may be more intense and the expiation of their sins more complete. Then again these strange religious fanatics will crawl on their hands and knees through vast cactus patches, where the thorns lacerate the flesh so that a line of crimson marks the course of the cruel journey.

Self-inflicted flagellation of the most vigorous and brutal type is practiced by these people, and the number of cuts they give themselves each day has been estimated at thousands, and when one knows that this continuous lashing with a whip causes torn, gaping and bleeding wounds into which the ink and sometimes nailed ward swirl of the whip, the agony of the penitent can be imagined. These rope whips are made from the fibers of the Yucca Baccata, are three feet long, and weigh from one to three pounds each. But the most brutal weapons used by these pious performers are whips made of twisted wire, the ends of which are turned up like fish hooks, and the fish hook strands like jerky, so injuriously the sufferings an attendant frequently sprinkles vinegar over the wounds.

Crucifixions are not unusual, men being suspended from the crosses, and sometimes, it is considered a great honor to experience crucifixion, and this horrible rite is regarded as a glorious finale by the worshippers. The martyr lies voluntarily on the cross, and is bound as tightly to the rough wood as the united strength of several attendant brothers will permit. Then, while the flesh is blackening beneath the iron ropes, the body is swathed in cloths and the head covered with a black bag, which is the emphatic

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powers of darkness, now washed white as snow by the electric light and the Y. M. C. A.—Chicago Tribune.

Heavier snows have fallen this Winter on the inner ranges of the Himalayas bordering on the Pamirs than have been known for 25 years.

Less than half the children in the public schools attend Sunday school.

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At THE CITY CHURCHES

(Ministers are requested to confine their notices to the smallest possible space, and to follow the style adopted in the notices published below, always giving the location of their churches and their own names after the names of the church.)

Baptist.

First Baptist, corner Twelfth and Taylor streets.—Alexander Blackburn, D. D., pastor, will preach. Prayer for the day, 10:15 A. M. "A Prophet's Message to a Victorious Nation." 11 A. M. The first in a series on "The Person of the Christ." 7:30 P. M. Sunday schools—University Park, 10 A. M.; home school, 12 M.; Sawyer-street Mission, 3 P. M.; Chinese school, 7 P. M.; young people's meeting, 8:30 P. M.; Immanuel Baptist Church, Second and Meade streets.—Services at 10:45 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. The services of the day will bring to a close the pastorate of Rev. Washington Chapman. The topics of the closing sermons will be: "Grace in the World," at 10:45 A. M., and in the evening, "The Only Source of Pardon." Bible school at 7:30 P. M.

First Christian Church, corner Park and Columbia streets.—J. F. Ghormley, D. D., will preach. Morning theme, "Redemption." His evening theme, "The Deity of the Christ in Literature."

The Advent-Christians Church, Newcastle building, 300 Commercial street.—Sunday school, 10 A. M.; Gospel meeting, 11 A. M.; Gospel meeting, 7:30 P. M.

Christian Science.

First Church of Christ (Scientist), on Twenty-third street, near Irving street.—Services at 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. The subject of the sermon is "Matter." Children's Sunday school meets at 12:10.

Second Church, Auditorium building, Third street, between Taylor and Salmon streets.—Services at 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. The subject is "Matter." Sunday school at the close of the morning service.

Christian Union.

The People's Christian Union, Alisky building, 201 corner of Third street and corner streets. Rev. F. E. Coulter, minister. —Devotional service, 11 A. M. Subject, "The Christ in Hebraic Myths." Bible study, 12:15 P. M.; Harmony Club, Y. P. A. at 7:30 P. M.; literary and musical programme.

Congregational.

Hassalo-Street Congregational Church, East Seventh and Hassalo streets.—Usual preaching services will be held at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school at 11 A. M.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 P. M.

First Congregational Church, Madison and Park streets, Rev. E. L. House, D. D., pastor.—Preaching at 10:30 A. M. by the pastor; subject, "The Abundant Life." At 7:30 P. M. the Rev. C. E. Eberman, of Boston, Mass., preaches.

Episcopal.

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, corner First and Caruthers streets.—Holy communion, 8 A. M.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 A. M.; Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.; St. Stephen's Chapel, Thirteenth and Clay streets, Rev. Thomas Neil Wilson, minister.—Morning prayer and sermon, 11 A. M.; Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.; mid-week Lenten services at Ascension Chapel, Portland Heights, 7:30 P. M.

Trinity Chapel, Nineteenth street, near Washington, Rev. A. A. Morrison, rector.—Holy communion, 8 A. M.; morning prayer, 11 A. M.; evening prayer, 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school, 4:30 P. M.; Lenten services every week at 4 P. M., with the exception of Saturdays.

Lutheran.

Danish Lutheran Church, Thirteenth and Gilliam streets.—Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school at 10 A. M.

St. James' English Lutheran Church, corner West Park and Jefferson streets. —A. L. Leas, pastor.—Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school at 12:15 P. M.; mission Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. In the I. O. O. F. Hall, East Pine street and Grand Avenue.

Men's Resort.

Men's Resort, 55 North Sixth street, Rev.

Vancouver avenue and Sellwood street, Albina, Rev. H. D. Chambers, rector.—Holy eucharist at 8 A. M. Morning prayer at 11 A. M. Evening prayer at 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 10 A. M.

St. Andrew's Chapel, Willis boulevard, Fenwick, Rev. H. D. Chambers in charge.—Sunday school, 9:30 P. M. Service and sermon at 3:30 P. M.

St. Paul's Church, Woodmore—Services at 8 P. M. Sunday school at 10 A. M.

Church of Our Saviour, Woodstock—Services at 11 o'clock; Sunday school at 10 A. M.

Evangelical.

Evangelical Association First English Church, corner East Sixth and Market streets.—The pastor, Rev. G. W. Plummer, will preach, both morning and evening, at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Morning theme will be "Holy Living." Sunday school at 10 A. M. Junior Alliance at 2 P. M. Young People's Alliance at 7 P. M.

Lutheran.

Swedish Lutheran Church, corner Rodney avenue and Stanton street, Albina.—Services will be held at 2 P. M. Sunday school meets at 1:30 P. M. Trinity Lutheran, German, Trinity, corner Williams avenue and Sellwood street.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

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on report of crimes, etc. 11th census, shows that of all the white inmates in the penal institutions in the United States, the ratio of prisoners to each 1,000,000 of the population of the same race and nationality, Ireland is the 15th down the list, and of the white juveniles of foreign birth, Ireland shows as the 11th down the column.

Socially the Irishman expands and grows in communion with his fellows. It has been said of him: "He is in sorrow a consoler, in success a congratulator." In his domestic relations, his heart and soul is in the home; he has thrown the yoke of a chivalrous race around the sacred name of woman and fortified her honor with armaments of heaven. In the tenets of his faith and in the jurisprudence of his motherland, there is no such word as divorce. In the wretched land of barrenness and bog in some portions of Ireland where rank misfortune and misery prevail the ratio of illegitimacy is less than elsewhere in all Europe. That the strain of the Irishman's blood through ten generations under our peculiar conditions is highly ramified and commingles in the utmost reach of our collective society, goes without saying. "There never was an Irish traitor in the history of this country," were the words of Charles A. Dana, at a public reception, a few years ago in the City of New York. So be it forever. JAMES H. MURPHY.

THE IRISHMAN AS A PATRIOT

By JAMES GLEASON

THERE is in the Portland Library of this city a small volume printed during the Revolutionary days, containing resolutions emanating from different societies, persons, cities and counties expressing sympathy for the colonists in their rebellion against Great Britain, and among them is a resolution from the Irish people through their delegates assembled in Dublin, commending the action of the colonies in resisting the aggressiveness of the British Parliament, expressing sympathy for the cause of the revolution and calling upon the Irish in America to support the colonies in the war then pending. This was the first expression of sympathy of the Irish people for this country, but from that day to the present the Irish have ever been true, faithful friends of the American

supremacy of the Stars and Stripes upon many a bloody field of that war. Much as they loved the land of their birth, yet they loved with a stronger devotion this land of liberty, for here they enjoy blessings which were denied them in their native land, the Nile of Isis. It is our hope that peace may always spread her sheltering wings upon our country, but if ever that peace is threatened, and enemies, foreign or domestic, invade our land, no more loyal, patriotic defenders of this country will be found than the Irish people or their native-born descendants.

JAMES GLEASON.

The Moralization of Night.

Chicago Tribune.

Opening the Y. M. C. A. building at night will do a great deal for the reputation of those hours of the 24 which have the misfortune to lack the sun. Night used to be the object of considerable abuse. "Children of darkness" were supposed to stand on one side in the game of life in opposition to those estimable persons known as the "children of light." Evil and darkness used to be classed together as cognate things. Now, however, light will be rescued from its long exile. Instead of being banished without admittance to the saloon and gambling-house it will be appropriated by the gymnasium

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