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THE HORROR OF HORRORS.

During the past six months the press in the northern states has been confronted by a problem hard to solve; and in the repeated lynchings of the "niggers" in New York, Indiana, Illinois, Colorado, Kansas and other states, and wherever the black brute has assailed white women, the same spirit of vengeance has been manifest in the north that has been condemned in the whites of the southern states. In meeting out speedy justice in a spirit of frenzy for this the most damnable of all crimes the white man be he republican or democrat, saint or sinner is actuated by the same passion. There no environment to his passion and desire for the speedy death of the malefactor and latitude or longitude does not form a boundary to stop the ferocity of a white man. He may be learned in the law; may be an ambassador of Heaven, and a man who has schooled himself to such an extent that his soul and body seem to be dead to passionate outbursts of indignation against the creatures practicing the "living horror". He may be a philosopher who seeks cause in effect and effect in cause and from a distance can write about all the emotions giving vent to action and explain away and condone or condemn, but once let the actual horror of a bestial black assailing youth, beauty, innocence and the honor of our women be thrust right under his nose and the man learned in the law pleads for the law to take its course in a very apathetic manner, and thus allows the spirit whose bodily sins have been "burned and plunged away" to appear before a higher tribunal; the Ambassador finds that he is persona non grata, and takes a leave of absence; the philosopher has a new idea to work out; and republican and democrat, saint and sinner aroused like a bear robbed of her cubs become for a time an unreasonable, indignant, revengeful creature. Men who have "never been there" can't tell the emotion of rage and passion which takes possession of the white man who "has been there." The whole judiciary and army of the United States can not prevent the lynching of the black demons who assail white women. The editors of the newspapers condemning such lynchings are sincere but they know nothing of the passion of a white man who has seen a young white girl it may be murdered by the lust of a black demon. A mother who has never lost a child knows nothing of the sorrow or the empty feeling of the arms and heart of a mother who has.

The writer lived in a state where such affairs were of common occurrence and has no more use for a nigger guilty of such offenses than he has for a rattlesnake to be crushed beneath the heel.

There is one point, however, which we want to bring before our readers. To us it is a mystery. We have talked with negroes about it and it is the blacker, lower and more bestial and ignorant the nigger is the greater is his desire to commit the crime. Perhaps it is on a par with the Indian women of all time past and present, who have an innate desire to be the mother of the Fair God or Messiah of her race. But such superstition if superstition it be must give place to Anglo-Saxon thought and action, and that thought and action is daily

being hardened and brutalized and every burning, cutting, hacking, hanging only seems to increase the ferocity of the white men and multiply the number of victims of the black.

The end of all this cannot be in sending the blacks to Africa, Cuba, or the Philippines the same as ex-Governor Geer advises for about 1500 of them are born every morning before breakfast time. It will not end in the blacks giving up their practice for every year the crime increases. It will not end because the white man will become satiated with vengeance for his arm will never tire. The only end will be a night a blackness and extermination for the feeling of hatred all through the South and wherever the nigger commits crime is growing deeper and deeper every day. The children who have learned to hate with a vengeful hatred are the parents of the generation tomorrow and in some way at some place a fire will be started that will illuminate the heavens and the black cloud of smoke will appal the world. This is no pipe dream for the writer knows the subject in all of its horrible details of negro lust and white man's vengeance. It may be years before the fire is kindled it may be ignited before a week has passed. Sooner or later it will come for hatred—a hatred that knows not love—a vengeance that knows not mercy is hourly, daily sweeping over the country at the pestilence of negro abomination and the end will be—Where are the Oregon Indian tribes today?

IRRIGATION NEEDED IN OREGON.

The writer, when he first came to Oregon, was led to believe that the Elesian Fields were located west of the Cascade Range; but now he believes that the "sweet fields beside the swelling floods" of the Willamette, Umpqua and Rogue rivers and their tributaries need the waters to be stored up and used for irrigating purposes just as much as the waters in the drought stricken deserts of Arizona or New Mexico.

Now we are fully aware that thousands of farmers are fully persuaded that the crops raised in Western Oregon are all that can be desired and are very bountiful, and in comparison with other parts of the country, we are willing to admit that the citizens of Western Oregon have cause to be proud of the climate and the productivity of the soil and the vast returns received for labor bestowed; but we never saw a country "where every prospect pleased" and just at the proper moment the "latter rain" fails to materialize the same as it does in Oregon. With the natural rainfall and from three to twelve inches of water run on the valley lands, and on the gradual hill slopes for that matter, the arable land and also the hillsides could be made to produce from three to ten times as much as is now produced. We have seen the small grain and corn crops, the hops and prunes, grass and alfalfa and in every case, with millions of gallons of water going to waste daily, crops suffer and fail to produce one-fifth as much as they should produce. We will take the hop crop alone with the climatic conditions and the adaptability of the soil with four or five inches of extra moisture there is no reason why that crop should not give a profit of one hundred dollars per acre. Take the wheat, oat and barley crops. With the same amount of water applied at the proper time the yield could easily be made to run from 50 to 75 bushels to the acre; and for purely summer root, bulb and forage crops of all kinds, land now lying idle could be made to produce a net profit of from thirty to one hundred dollars per acre. What we need is to get a move on ourselves and establish a thorough system of irrigation dams and canals and then we could not only claim that Western

Oregon was the Elesian Fields but that it is the Garden of the Gods and more beautiful and productive than the New Garden of Eden which John saw coming down from the clouds. But beatific visions of golden clouds, and palm trees and rivers of water create a desire and those old writers, John and Paul and Isaiah and others who wrote so entrancingly, went into a clairvoyant state and saw Western Oregon as it will be when we have either given place to new comers or have adopted modern scientific measures to produce three times as great returns or new crops of all kinds. What is needed is not visions but realities; and with irrigation the farm lands would produce from forty to sixty tons of mangel wurtzels, from fifteen to forty tons of ruta-bagas or turnips, from six to ten tons of cured sorghum hay, from four to eight tons of alfalfa and a score of other crops to be turned into concentrated farm products—beef, pork, mutton, cheese, butter and poultry, besides the present crops which could be increased to bring four or five times in quantity and of a much more excellent quality. We need practical irrigation enterprises and with such a system every acre of land under ditch would be worth from one hundred to three hundred dollars per acre.

"OH GRAVE WHERE IS THY VICTORY"

At Grand Rapids, Mich., last week a funeral cortege had gone to the Catholic cathedral and the casket containing the corpse was deposited before the altar and while the funeral ceremonies were going on a dispute occurred on the outside of the cathedral between the union men who drove the hearse and acted as carriers of the dead and a number of non-union men who drove the carriages of the mourners and friends. A general fight resulted and the union men mopped up the earth with their non-union brethren, who abandoned their vehicles and fled to a place of safety. After the ceremonies were over at the cathedral the union men would not drive in the procession with the scab drivers, and the burial services were delayed until the friends of the departed agreed to have only union men to drive the corpse and the mourners to the grave.

LAND OFFICE LETTER.

The following letter explains itself. We have left out the name, address and date for proving up, that is all. The letter if any man doubts can be seen at this office:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,

Roseburg, Ore., July 21, '03.

Referring to your Timber and Stone application which is now being advertised for final proof before this office, I have to advise you that it has been found necessary to extend the time of accepting said proof to the day of —, 1903. Your notice will, however, be accepted as advertised.

This has been found necessary for the reason that a Special Agent from the General Land Office has been assigned to this office to make a thorough investigation into each case where said final proof is made. The examination by the said Special Agent is at such length that we find it impossible to accept more than from two to three proofs in one day. The records in this office show that we have from five to ten proofs set for each day for the next four months. We are doing this for the purpose of saving you the expense of from ten to fifteen days delay in submitting your proof, as is the case with a large number of persons who are now appearing at this office.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter without delay.

Very respectfully,
J. T. BRIDGES,

They Never Strike.

Few persons realize how absolutely dependent is the whole machinery of commerce on the single industry of farming. The farmer is, in fact, the prime producer of health. Without him the wheels of civilization would come to an abrupt standstill, and the world be plunged into bankruptcy.

Numerous exchanges call attention to this fact. The coal miners strike and the price of coal goes up, and there is a huge clamor and some suffering. But the great mechanism continues to move somehow, until the trouble is adjusted. Railroad employes and factory operatives strike in vast numbers; walkouts and lockouts paralyze one industry after another. Still the world moves on.

What would happen if the farmers should strike?

The question has been asked before, but it comes with peculiar pertinence at this time of widespread labor trouble. The possibility of such an event is indeed very remote, and it would be a calamity unparelleled. Yet the question serves a very good purpose; first, in emphasizing the fundamental importance of the farmer in the world's economy, and second, in illustrating the truly criminal wastefulness both of strikes and lockouts.

The executors of the estate of the late Henry W. Corbett, of Portland have filed with the probate court an appraisal of \$2,621,538.85.

Two ex-ville performers in Portland obtained a divorce for advertising purposes and at the end of a few days were re-married for advertising purposes. There are tricks in all trades except the printer's.

It is said that a nephew of acting Pope Gregalia is a hash chopper at the Victoria Hotel, on Geary Street, San Francisco.

Another negro outrager in Indiana has started a mob after him and he will be burned if caught.

The Bulgarian government has been informed that Great Britain will consent to the establishment of a Bulgarian diplomatic agency in London. The news has been received with much satisfaction there, it being hoped that the new agency may enlist British sympathy for the Bulgarian cause.

By order of the chief prosecutor of the Holy Synod, the bishop of Kishinef has instructed the clergy of his diocese to exert their influence on the members of the orthodox church by sermons in the churches and personal admonition to allay the anti-Semitic religious hatred.

A contract has been closed by which the Southern Pacific Railroad Company will take the entire output, averaging 20,000 tons a month, of the Carbon Hill coal mines in Pierce County, tributary to Tacoma. Hitherto a portion of the coal mined has been sent to steamship lines.

Preliminary to the impending consolidation of the land departments of the Central Pacific and Southern Pacific Railroads, which events will follow the approaching retirement of Jerome Madden, now land agent of the Southern Pacific, President Harrison has ordered the withdrawal from sale of all Central Pacific timber lands in Oregon and Washington and all Southern Pacific oil lands in California.

For Good Clean Base Ball.

"Well, the Eugene boys may not win the pennant but they will have the sat-

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Getting Together.

A dispatch from Denver of the yesterday's date says: The two factions of the People's party, each with a national organization, will be amalgamated into one party by action to be taken this afternoon or tomorrow at the national conference of the People's party and Allied Reform party, now in session in this city. The committees on resolutions and addresses will today report a proclamation that will call on the several factions of the Populist party to unite. It will also contain the declaration of principles. A committee made up of the officers of the conference is also preparing a list of names composed of one person from each state who will act as provisional committeemen. These names will be announced immediately after the adoption of the report of the committee on resolutions.

At an Alaskan Salmon cannery the Chinese help swear that Ah Quong committed suicide by chopping his legs and arms from his body and finally the head from the trunk. And these innocent eentials expect the Americans to believe their story.

Wide is the Path.

At Independence, warrants for the arrest of Rev. G. Howard Osborne are in the hands of the authorities. Osborne, a Methodist minister, well known in Portland, as well as in other places is now touring the coast holding religious meetings and illustrated lectures and recitals. Since his departure from Independence it has been discovered that Osborne was not what he professed. According to the charges made public he mortgaged his farm and then sold it as free from indebtedness. It is also said that he raised funds by other means not entirely honorable.

isfaction of knowing that they are the strongest team in the league. We hope that next year the league will be continued and that the factors that have marred the pleasure of good, clean sport may be completely eliminated and that the best teams available may enter the contest from all of the valley towns."—Eugene Register. Amen and Amen.

An excellent likeness of Sam Morris, the full blood Indian pitcher of the Salem Raglans, appeared in last night's Telegram. Portland baseball men are very much pleased with the showing Morris has made this season and he will be given a try-out in the near future on the Portland Browns. Should he make a good showing he will be engaged for the balance of the season. If not he will play with the Seattle Nationals.

Mrs. Floyd Woodruff and two children are visiting relatives in Oakland.

A POINTER.

The Roseburg Chamber of Commerce has now an opportunity to convince George Gould that the North Umpqua river route is the best and lowest elevation route to cross the Cascade mountains and to make a trans-continental route from the Atlantic to the Pacific through Roseburg. He has 14 surveying parties in the field to find a suitable crossing over the mountains west of Salt Lake City.

Wanted.

20 tiers oak stovewood, 30 tiers grub blockwood. D. S. K. Buick 45ft.