PULPITS VOLLEY AGAINST THE LICENSED GAMBLERS

"Anarchy" the Cry of Many Portland Ministers Denouncing the Mayor's Announced Inability to Enforce the Law---Municipal League May Vote to Proceed Against the City Authorities Unless They Keep Their Oaths of Office.

devise some plan whereby the city and had several meetings and it is expected that the committee will be ready to re-

That the matter will be taken into courts there is no doubt. From what can be learned it is understood to be the intention of the committee to report in favor of proceeding against the mayor and chief of police, but in what way is not determined. As soon as the committee announces

itself ready to report a special meeting of the league will be called.

Sermons were preached yesterday in nearly every church in Portland - denouncing the mayor's policy of licensing law breaking. This was in pursuance of the agreement made at the last meeting of the Ministerial association.

REV. J. R. T. LATEROP. "If the King Is a Law-Breaker How Shall the People Be Saved?" was the text chosen by Rev. J. R. T. Lathrop of Grace Methodist church yesterday.

"It is well known that the mayor has chosen to ignore the law, to set it aside and to choose a course for which he claims to be entirely responsible—that course is to accept from certain gambling houses a monthly 'license-fine,' and this new form of graft is turned into the city treasury and goes to the improvement of the city's streets, sidewalks and engine houses. The mayor claims that is method stops grafting among the other officials and confines the gambling to certain quarters and gives the city benefit of the business. The funds mental idea is that the gamblers should help to bear the burdens of the city.

"It is not the purpose of the citizens who think otherwise to make any attack upon the mayor as a private citisen, but to arouse the people against the full tendency and meaning of such a policy as he is now enforcing. This restricts gambing to certain. What the merit of that is it would be difficult to see. These houses are the most prominent centers of sin in the city, and the license-fine received is so meager from each house in a month that the wonder is it should be considjustifiable. The whole anywise sum in a year is amazingly small and could not possibly go far toward making any considerable improvement, and the extra police which will certainly be needed if this policy is continued will slone cost more than the whole amount of the fines.

Mayor's Class Legislation.

"The fact that the mayor goes into a contract, whether written or expressed hat certain houses shall run and that other houses shall not. That the police are instructed to protect some and arrest other gamblers is a discrimination enforced by the mayor, and amounts to nothing less than class legislation. ready the mayor is confronted with the claimed right of the Chinese lotteries to run on condition that they also pay the fine. The mayor says that these lotteries are practical robbery. Does he believe that any form of gambling is less than He also says that women and boys and even girls are allowed to patronize them. Is the mayor sure that boys, at least, are not found in the very uses he protects? All this is but the beginning of his troubles under such a last evening at the First Christian for his subject "A Present Need." He method as he has adopted.

"The citizens desired the new charter because it gave to the mayor supreme other crimes in this city. He said, in authority, and the general belief was part: that it would be better to have the augives to the mayor power to stop all his inaugural address that he would enelected.

enforce law.'

REV. J. B. M'GLADE.

evening upon the theme, "The Majesty of Law," basing his sermon upon II Blames the Party Not the Mayor.

Kings, 11:31, "But Jehu took no heed to walk in the law of the Lord God of not gamble. Why not? Is it because the party Not the Mayor.

The peril of Israel lay in the na fear of Jehovah and as well her safety revenue just as much dollar for dollar? was involved in those men who as leaders guided the affairs of state actording to the will of God. We read that Israel served the Lord all the days of Joshua and all the days of the elders that overlived Joshus, and when such men ceased Israel lapsed into sin. So much did the influence of a leader count for righteousness or iniquity.

"It would be impossible for a presilent of the United States to submerge the nation in anarchy and ruin, since impeachment would prevent this, but we cannot be too appreciative of a good and righteous man at the head of our he mayor of Portland to manage mudiscretion, except that protest come from people, press and pulpit, should be this office who will stand for law and

"Jehu was anointed king over Jerael reform it thoroughly, for Ahab and ereboam had greatly made Israel to

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aking! add boiling water and set to cool, Flavors:-Lemon, Orange, Rasplearry and Strawberry. Get a package a law already passed against gambling at your grocers to-day. 10 cts.

The sub-committee of the Municipal sin. He instituted a reform movement ulated sum of money. If in the face league appointed at a recent meeting to of such a magnitude that God said to of the weighty reason against it the him, that his children to the fourth county authorities can be compelled to generation should sit upon the throne enfome the law against gambling has of Israel. Then it is disclosed that eventually Jehu failed in part, that he with all his heart.

> What Is Reeded in Portland. "The majesty of law stands out upon

the surface of this text.

the law has a majesty that must not be infringed upon. The law is upon the statute books against gambling. What is needed—is demanded—is its enforcemunity because of the time that has in-The confession of inability of law cannot be accepted, else law is a makeshift. It is claimed that gamb-ling cannot be suppressed, that it is impossible to convict those who disobey the statute, that no jury has yet con-victed one tried before it for this offense. What, then is the situation? Anarchy-in so far as the failure is true. It is best then to let gambling continue, that money may flow into the city's treasury and so build bridges and make improvements? Which is better, that law be enforced or that improvements be made? It is not a question as to what is expeditious, but one as to what is right.

"There is too much of the spirit of the perversion and the evasion of law abroad in America. Bayard, when minister to the court of St. James, once said to an audience of his countrymen speaking upon observations he had nade in England: I would say that there has been so much that I have seen to create great respect for the temper of the people and their governments; it is but just to say so; it is out just, my countrymen, that I should testify to you or the spirit of respect for law—the law-abiding spirit of the people.' Mr. Bayard said that not only would the officers enforce the laws, but there was a responsive chord in the hearts of the English people to recognize the officers as the instruments of

Jehu and the Mayor.

"In the face of the statute, shall gambling be permitted? It is wronggambling is always wrong. It is a species of robbery. Shall it have tolera-

"Jehu had a magnificent opportunity to reinstate Israel in God's favor and so secure national prosperity and honor. He lost that opportunity through halfhearted allegiance to right.

'How magnificent is the opportunity in the hands of Mayor Williams to redeem Portland and make its name of national significance because of the breaking up of the strongholds of evil, for gambling houses, in the face of the to the conscience of the citizens. law and clothe himself with law, and regarded; let law not be sold, for money, nor silver, nor gold, nor precious stones

REV. J. P. GRORMLEY.

Rev. J. F. Ghormley, in his prelude church, spoke on that attitude of the mayor of Portland toward gambling and

"Let it be understood that the minis thority centralized in the mayor than ters have no personal fight with His distributed to the departments-and so Honor George H. Williams, but with his we voted for the charter. This charter policy as mayor in relation to the enforcement of law. On general principles He needs but to say the where an executive is elected to a pubword. Besides, the mayor declared in lic office it is his sworn duty to enforce the law, but in this particular inforce the law as he found it on the stance the mayor before his election statute books, and upon that promise he stood pledged to the moral forces of Portland, that if elected he would enthe duty of the mayor? Simply to en- If the law cannot be enforced in our force the law and maintain it. The law cities our form of government is a fail- whose proper methods. It is plainly not the state law and city ordinance and no right of the mayor to create law, but to amount of money received as a fine-

practice. "No compromise can be made with this Jerome R. McGlade, pastor of dark crime without jeopardizing our libchildren who make compromise with sin.'

Israel with all his heart." He said in his honor does not want the Celestials brought down to the low plane of the white race in this particular? Will not tion's rulers, who departed from the the fine-license from him help the city's His honor is right in making the raids on Chinese gambling houses and wrong in permitting others to run in open violation of law.

"What ought the ministers to do? Cry aloud against the entire license system and spare not, raise the voice and put down the ballot against this nefarious

"Hear me! Mayor Williams is not so much to blame for the condition of af-fairs in this city as the party which . "The Christian minister in an emergfairs in this city as the party which elevated him to his position. I am net endeavoring to excuse the mayor. We know 'If the blind lead the blind both We alone. government. It is possible, however, for shall fall into the ditch.' We are now in the ditch of anarchy; the voice of itelpal affairs at his own discretion or the people as expressed in legal enactments is no longer heard. The licensed "A state of anarchy prevails in our saloon, open gambling and Sunday the-city of the worst possible form. Anslect to follow a wrong course. It is atres are unrestrained in violation of the archy among the rabble may be speedily great importance that there be one laws of God and of men. As for myself I have cast my last vote with any license party. My voice and vote shall be used to secure what I want if I never get it—the utter abolition of the entire license system. We had better vote for vote for what we do not want and get great abundance. It has been proved no confidence can be put in pledges made by politicians before election, who have no higher purpose to serve than to receive the spoils of office, and to bow prior to his election that, if elected, he to the behest of the vicious provided would vigorously enforce the laws. In they pay for the privilege of outraging law and decency."

REV. E. P. HILL. "What Is Anarchy?" is the topic taken by the Rev. E. P. Hill of the First

"It is one thing to discuss the question of passing a law to license gambling. It is quite a different thing to permit

Presbyterian church yesterday.

should nevertheless decide to pass a law licensing the evil, they would be open to criticism, because of their judgment, but they would still be entook no heed to walk in the law of God titled to respect, because of their regard for the law. But when the people in the exercise of their God-given rights deliberately announce their will means of a law, then the man who breaks that law or wilfully allows it to "What is needed in Portland is that be broken on payment of money, strikes those in authority shall recognize that at one of the fundamental principles of the social order.

"We scarcely realize the enormity of munity because of the time that has inment. The importance of the law is tervened between the different ateps. claimed, but impotence of law is Imagine them all compressed within a to single week and see how it reads. enforce law is humiliating. That it is Monday the people in the exercise of the best thing to permit the violation their sovereign rights, feeling that the vice of gambling is detrimental to the welfare of society, through their representatives pass a law making it a criminal offense for any man to conduct a gambling house or to allow gambling on his premises. Tuesday the people elect a man of age and standing to carry out their will, and he takes a solemn oath to perform faithfully the duties of the office. On Wednesday man thus chosen announces that he has entered into an understanding with the gamblers to allow them to do business on condition that they pay a certain sum of money into the public treasury to repair the engine houses. On Thursday a committee of citizens call on the mayor and ask for an explanation. He says that many of the business men do not want the law enforced and that the engine houses need to be repaired. But, urge the members of the committee that question was settled last Monday Of course the gamblers and their friends do not want the law enforced. knew that before. Though a hundred or

> will. "Thereupon the man of the people' choice tells the committee that it is none of their business, and that he will enforce the law as he sees fit. It is now Sunday and we open the word of God to the lament of the ancient psalmist. Put not your trust in princes nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help.'

two hundred or five hundred men do not want it enforced, you must remem-

ber that 15,600 voters do want it en-

forced, and have thus expressed their

BEV. L. M. BOOKER.

The Rev. L. M. Boozer of the First United Evangelical church spoke from "It is time to work, for they the text: have made void thy laws." Mr. Boozer

"The man who binds himself by oath to uphold and enforce the law is not to sit in judgment as to its enforcement. Until the law is repealed his one duty is plain. Enforce it. There is a need and the enthronement of law! His pres of quickened public conscience. Municient course is ruinous. The license fine pal morals are but a faithful witness ordinance against them, can tend only quickening of the conscience of the city to evil. The mayor should walk in the will most effectually cleanse its morals. enforce it. Let the majesty of law be present municipal policy. Protest in the regarded; let law not be sold for money name of your citizenship against such a course. Pray for those in authority."

REV. L. M. ESSOW.

The Rev. Albyn Esson, pastor of the Rodney-avenue Christian church, took said:

"Every great city in the country has its conflict with organized iniquity. It is the constant purpose of gambling and kindred evils to get themselves made legitimate through a license system. What is needed is a process of education that will quicken the public conscience until it insists on the enforcement of law. The arguments advanced by the mayor in support of his policy are not new; neither are they true."

REV. E. L. HOUSE.

Rev. E. L. House spoke yesterday on "X-Rays on Civic Affairs." He said: "Now, our position is, granting even that public gambling cannot be stopped. What is that to the mayor? What is are regarded as good, little kittens, eyes are not opened, meowing may be bad; then let it be changed by ure. Gambling is a crime, forbidden by about future probation and apostolic succession. But stirring times develop these ministerial kittens into formidable license can make it right or justify its Parkhurstian cats, with swelling fur and backs high up in the air, spitting vigorously at the enemy around them. they are told that they had better shut Miznah Presbyterian church, spoke last erties. They enslave their children's their eyes and go back to their natural condition, if they would be fed and enjoy life.

"Why is it that nearly all the minfaters of this city are today preaching upon civic affairs? Because we know that gambling houses are dishonest, encourage idleness, are the sources of our defaications, and because they are close friends of all evil. Because we know that our laws do not grant side doors or their rooms of assignation to saloons. Because we know that the pleafor revenue is a specious one. Honest, sober, clean men and women are the surest sources of revenue to a com-munity. Because we know that the setting aside of a law placed on the statute books has the spirit that would overthrow government and destroy courts

ency like this cannot afford to let things

REV. B. NELSON ALLEN. Rev. E. Nelson Allen, pastor of Cum-

berland Presbyterian church, said: suppressed by the exercise of legitimate authority. But what shall be done when the highest officials of government openly inaugurate & policy which is utterly subversive of law, in that it offers protection to lawbreakers, what we want and not get it, than to offering them immunity from the penalties of the law in exchange for a bribe, the same to be placed in the city treas-The mayor has announced this ury? policy, notwithstanding the fact that he promised the reform forces of the city

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he would enforce the laws. In his oath of office he solemnly swore that he would enforce the laws. A vigorous campaign in the interest of law enforcement ought to be inaugurated at once.

Rev. H. J. Talbot preached yesterday vening in the First M. E. church from to Good Works, but to the Evil." Ro-

He said in part:
"It is not a matter of personal con-cern to me whether this be called a talk, address, a sermon or a harangue. The text is not to be understood as declaring a historical fact, but rather as stating the purpose of government and the conditions which prevail under a government which achieves its ends.
"The necessity for any government

whatever is found in the fact of society The conflicting interests of men, even of those who are fair-minded and disposed to be just often demand the interven tion of authority in their adjustment. Besides there are always to be found those who, whilst not ill disposed, are careless of their rights, and these persons must be restrained and corrected that those rights may be secured.

"Further, the idle and the vicious are always with us, and these expect to pick up a living by fraud, by violence, or by pandering to the vices of men. These idle and vicious persons must be reformed or held under rigid restraint. Hence appears the representative capacity of the ruler. No difference what the form of government may be a monarchy, an oligarchy, a republic somewhere will be found a man who is the ruler, and though, as with us, the ex-scutive, legislative and judicial branches of government are distinct, yet the ruier gathers up and unites in himself the lignity of all these and he and not any other man is the representative of government. Justly, the ruler, whether of a nation, a commonwealth or a municipality is held responsible for government within his province

Buler a Terror to Evil Doers.

"It is the ruler's work to make it as asy and inviting as possible to respect the law and the public good and to make the way of the transgressor hard. He is really to make himself a terror to evil doers. How can he do this? Manifestly, not by modifying, loosely-interpreting or wholly setting aside the law. No bargain and sale of privilege that constitutes an immunity to lawbreakers can secure any such desirable result, Since the beginning of government one way, and only one, has been recognized as effective by administrators who really desired to secure the interests of society. That way is the stern and inflex, the enforcement of the law against the disorderly and vicious.

"Let it be admitted that the ruler be hampered by inadequate or unwise laws; that he be besieged by the appeals of those desiring special privileges, and by teresting stories, both fact and fiction the advice of many law-abiding people whose interests he would protect; that the other officers over whom he has control neglect their duty; nevertheless the ruler has one way open to himhas one clear duty—to use every means in his power to enforce the law as he finds it.

The Alternative.

"In no other way can he make govern-Illation or confusion of thought is shown, and more especially, if the ruler and the new scientific series in four assumes to over-ride the law and substitute something else for law, some very serious consequences will follow in the first place, lawbreakers, promoters of crime, and breeders of vice will be encouraged to ply their trades with increased activity and to make demands. In the next place, the friends of order and of public merals will abandon hope in an administration that panders to the worst foes of society and finally a most deadly blow will be struck at the very heart of authority.

The Issue Defined. "This is no time for pulpit pyrotech-

nics. Any man's personality is dwarfed in the presence of the real question. This is not a question of partisan politics. It is not a question of whether this or that officer has failed in his in the New World. duty, nor of what ministers or others may think of a high license to saloonkeepers, nor what has been done by the city administration in street improvements, in putting engine houses into condition, or in driving lewd women from first to third story rooms; nor is it a question as to any man's character in the past. The real issue is that, whilst the state law prohibits gambling and gambling houses, the city adminis-tration though clothed with powers adequate to the decent enforcement of that law not only makes no attempt to enforce it, but tacitly authorizes its violation.

The Gravity of the Situation. "No unauthorized words need be used

to characterize the gravity of the situation in this city. We are not now, nor are we likely to be in a state of anarchy. But there is much to alarm The saloons under a small license of \$400 are said to be running when and how they please. If there is any restraint upon footpads, it does not arise from the arrest and punishment of "If the poor creatures who make mer-

chandise of their virtue are driven from first story to upstairs rooms and are sometimes fined, their more guilty partners suffer no adequate penalty. and the wretches who live off the earn ings of these unhappy women-wretches for whom hanging is too good, but who deserve a life sentence to hardlaborknows. It is difficult to see how greater immunity could be given to vice and crime than they now have, while at the same time any pretense of restraint is maintained. All this is alarming enough. It is bad enough for vice to be licensed by law and for such a small price to be put upon it as to operate as a re-straint only in the smallest degree. It is bad enough for vice and crime to so flourish that the lives of our young peoof a deadly contagion, or facing a deathdealing battery, than the dangers they encounter in this immoral city. But the gravity of the situation is greatly in-creased when it is announced that the open violation of a law prohibiting vice has been deliberately adopted as a public policy. Is not contempt for law sufficiently manifest already without such an example in official circles? We are not in a state of anarchy in this city, and we shall not be. But that we are not is not due to the fact that we have not had a push in that direction. Lame Reason Assigned.

"In the first place it is said that the

law against gambling cannot be en-forced. But it taxes ones credulity to accept such a statement as offered seriously in the face of the fact that our city executive is clothed with as nearly dictatorial power as could well be given man where American ideas prevail. If one set of police and other officers will not do their duty another lot can be had that will, doubtless. Then, it is said the public sentiment does not favor the enforcement of the law against gambling. But there has been no expression of public sentiment on that question directly. The nearest expression was in the vote at the late city election; and that vote was in favor of reform. But public sentiment can in no case be sufficient justification for official violation of the law. In the next place, it is claimed that legislatures pass laws, under various kinds of pres-

same right to decide what laws were not expected to be enforced, and what ones were, that any officer, high or low, has.

"To admit the right to make any such distinction involves the overthrow of all law. So far no satisfactory reason has been given the public for the extraordinary and amazing policy of the city administration toward the gambling

"The position taken and the spirit manifested by the city administration leaves little room to hope for any voluntary change in the present policy. The one thing now possible and desirable is for all voters, who favor a city government that will everlastingly fight vice and crime, to unite. The municipal association invites the co-operation of all who desire reform. It will move cautiously but steadily against the gambling vice and against all other vices as well. It asks for volunteers who will stay in the fight, for there is no discharge in this war.

SOME NEW BOOKS

"The Fortunes of Fift." By Mollie Elliot Seawell, author of "Francezka," etc. Illustrated by T. de Thulstrup. India-napolis: The Bobbs-Merrill company.

Miss Seawell has chosen for her pres-ent story the time of the Emperor Napoleon and has set her scene in Paris, where her chief successes have developed. Her principal character, Mile. Fift, leading actress in a miserable little theatre of the cheaper sort, is one of the most entertaining and lovable personages who ever danced through the pages of a novel. A piquant mixture of seriousness and sauce, of wisdom and childish naivette, she is never quite within the reach of analysis. Yet this is far more than a character sketch, for there is a plot of some dimensions, including a relationship with the pope who has come to Paris to conduct the emperor's marriage ceremony, scenes with Napoleon himself, the maneuvers of a stiff-legged but altogether likable ex-soldier, who later becomes Fift's hus-man, Dr. Howe's Famous Pupil, and band, and the adventures of a trick dog, the purchase of which caused Mile, Fift to sacrifice a warm coat for which she Miss Seawell's brightest style and is a happy return to her most enjoyable mood from her not altogether successful "Francezka."

The Metropolitan.-In the Metropoli tan for October there is to be found a veritable literary feast, including stories of adventure, romance and love and history, while the frontispiece showing all kinds of flags in colors is a work of rare art.

An Interesting Monthly for October is replete with in-A man who worked in the railroad camps in Wyoming tells of the ever unsatisfied need of the West for manual labor; Mrs. Ballington Booth tells of her prison work and in addition there are nine good short stories. New York Politics-A. S. Barnes &

Co.'s new announcements include 'Recoilections Personal and Literary" by Rich-"In no other way can he make govern- ard Henry Stoddard; "The Boss, and ment respectable. If weakness or vac- How He Came to Rule New York," a story of politics by Alfred Henry Lewis volumes edited by Prof. R. K. Duncan. All Kinds of Books,-The fall anouncement of Little, Brown & Co. contains 24 new titles and a number of new The list includes works of editions. fiction, biography, poetry and classics. In biography and memoirs the most im portant new book will be "Laura Bridge-What He Taught Her," by Maud Howe and Florence Howe Hall, two of Dr. Howe's daughters. This authentic story of Dr. Howe's successful pioneer efforts with the deaf-dumb-blind will be illustrated with portraits, etc. (Crown 8 Vo. \$1.50 net.)

In the way of history William Henry Johnson presents a volume. "Pionee: Spaniards of North America." It deals with Spanish explorations and conquest

"The Handy Volume Cambridge Classics" is the title of a new series of notable reprints. The list includes a selection of 11 of the best books.

Attractive Volumes.-In his catalogue of books for this fall John Lane of New York presents some very attractive volumes. The list includes new letters of Thomas Carlyle edited by Alexander Carlyle, with notes, introduction and numerous illustrations, including the famous Whistler portrait; "The Spanish Conquest in America," "Africa From North to South," "Memoirs of Lady Fanshaw and a score or more of fiction PLACED STOVE PIPE

Century List.-The Century company has issued its fall catalogue and the list includes many volumes that will cagerly sought by the reading public. Literary Notes .- "Barbara, a Woman of the West," by John H. Whitson, has Logan Farmer Tries New Trick to Vicjust gone into its third edition.

George Wharton James, explorer, has written a very interesting story of Indian life in the Southwest under the title of "The Indians of the Palmed Desert Region."

TO BUILD MILLS IN SOUTH.

(Journal Special Service.)

Boston, Mass., Sept. 28.-It is reported on good authority that several of the cotton manufacturing companies in New England are planning to establish plants in the South for the manufacture of cotton goods. While some of the companies will transfer part of the business that is being done now in their New England factories, others will increase their business by building additional plants in the Southern states, The coarser grades of cotton can be manufactured in the South at greatly reduced cost as compared with that in New England, which is the chief cause given for manufacturing this class of goods in the South.

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Several local commission men hav been victimized by this and they sent man to investigate; the exposure of the

COLORADO CLUB WOMEN. (Journal Special Service.)

Colorado Springs, Colo., Sept. 28 .- All preparations have been completed to entertain in comfortable style the Colorado Federation of Woman's Clubs, which will meet in annual convention here tomorrow, under conditions perhaps more favorable for a successful meeting than since the organization. Almost every county in the state will be represented. In addition, there will be many women famous in literary and educational circles from other states. Ameng the number are Mrs. Robert J. Burdette of Los Angeles, Mrs. Dore Lyon and Miss Mary Garrett Hay of New York, Mrs. Philip N. Moore, president of the Missiouri federation, and Mrs. Chester A. Coulter, president of the Utah federation, who guished by the fact that she is a mem-ber of the Utah legislature.

"THE LIGHT THAT PAILED."

(Journal Special Service.) Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 28 .- Much Inter suffalo, N. Y., Sept. 18.—Much interest centers in the opening of the American tour here tonight of Forbes Robertson, the eminent English actor, and his wife, Gertrude Elliott. They will appear in their London success, "The Light That Falled." After a Canadian tour, they will begin a long engagement at the Knickerbocker Theatre, New York.

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