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A CLASS OF LAWYERS WHO SHOULD GO.

VERY LOVER OF DECENCY in and out of the legal profession will be rejoiced over the con viction of A. H. Hummel, the New York crim inal lawyer. Hummel's name is known throughout the country in connection with famous and infamous divorce proceedings. He was a jury-fixer, a manufacturer of evidence and by long odds the cleverest crook of all the crooked ones he was so liberally paid to keep out of the penitentiary. He made immense sums of money, he was the man of all men whose services were sought when it was necessary to hoodwink the courts or lay before them a case almost perfect in its outward semblance but built step by step of bribery, perjury and the most outrageous methods known to criminal ingenuity.

For years these have been the methods successfully followed by his firm and so carefully was the work done and so firmly were his tools bound to his interests by their crimes that while much was known and very much more suspected of his methods, it was impossible to prove anything against him in a court of justice. But sooner or later a loose screw is found in the best structure of lies. One of the most shameless of all cases about which the world has recently heard is Morse divorce case. Mrs. Morse was originally a Mrs. Dodge, unhappily married. She procured a di-vorce from Dodge with his full consent and three years later married Ice King Morse, with whom she was happily mated and for whom she had been housekeeper: Dodge's uncle, a wealthy Maine ice man, claimed that Mrs. Morse was not giving proper attention to the children of her first marriage and for this reason he wanted the original divorce proceedings set aside so that the custody of the children might be taken away from her. He laid the case before Hummel and that individual speedily "discovered" that the divorce had been illegally granted without notice to Dodge. The latter was found and induced for money to make a false affidavit to this effect. Other affidavits were manufactured and in the end the divorce was annulled

Everything so far went swimmingly until the original lawyer in the Dodge divorce proceedings happened to die when it was discovered among his papers that he had been employed by Dodge to represent him in the divorce proceedings and that he had actually done-so. Then the matter came to the attention of the district attorney's office and through it two true bills for subornation of perjury were found against Hummel. Then one of the most exciting searches known to recent criminal proceedings was made to capture Dodge who, it was known, was making his way as fast as he could toward the Mexican border to escape from the country. He was liberally supplied with money but in the end the district attorney's office triumphed and Dodge, having been brought back from Texas, made a full confession. With this as a foundation the case was rapidly developed until

the conviction was secured. It is high time all over the country that lawyers of the Hummel type were put precisely where they belong. They do more to discredit the profession than all other elements combined. Every community knows and every community tolerates them. Yet they are, perhaps, the most despicable of all men with whom the public has to deal. Their business is to uphold the criminal classes, to save them from the fate which they so justly merit, to fool the courts and delude the juries, to make a travesty of justice and a byword of criminal juris-The decent lawyers themselves are largely for these conditions in giving countenance to lawyers of this type and class without reference to the ethical standards which otherwise bind them. The newspapers are to blame for giving prominence to these shifty tricksters. The out and out criminals are bad chough in their way but their power to do harm by self out. example is very largely circumscribed by the known bad them, who often get the lion's share of their spoils, who by methods more crooked than the criminals' own thwart the ends of justice, they should be known and marked everywhere and everywhere get precisely what

Portland has a duty to perform in this respect as well as the other cities and towns of the country.

is coming to them.

If Senator Foraker, in opposing the president and tak ing a prominent stand for rebating railroads and the trusts, thinks he is thereby helping his chances for the presidency in 1908, he is proving that he is not as able politician as he has been supposed to be. The trusts ill have an uphill job in trying to elect the next presi-

INDIA UNDER BRITISH RULE.

THE UNITED STATES apparently has a some what similar task in the Philippines to that car ried on for many years in British India by England, hence some figures in a recent British Blue book are of interest. The area of India under British rule is tion to be feasible, and while it is a big job and must be 1,766,597 square miles, about half that of the continental seven times as dense as it is in the United States, it is them. more evenly distributed, only about ten per cent of it living in cities and villages, 265,000,000 of the inhabitants living in the country.

India's population has increased 41,000,000 in 20 years, only about eight per cent to the decade, while our population is increasing at about three times that rate. In India the increase of population is checked by frequent famines and the ravages of the "black death," and by the impoverished condition of a large the senate.

proportion of the people. It has been stated that at least one third of India's population is constantly unable to obtain a sufficient food supply, while in time of famine tens of thousands actually perish of starvation.

from 36 to 45 cents, and while even the latter figure seems very low, it constitutes, in view of the very small average of earnings a burden that is the source of much

British occupation has accomplished much in Indiahas cut off the extortions of native provincial governments, promoted agriculture, built roads, railways, and irrigation systems, established schools, introduced sanitary methods in the cities, reduced the death rate, and developed manufactures and commerce. So that whatever may be thought or said about the theory of colonial government, English rule in India, and in Egypt as well, has been a great work in behalf of the world's civilization, especially as England did not attempt to interfere, except as to fanatical murders, with the native religions.

It is hoped that our occupation of the Philippines will not be so prolonged nor our government there long so absolute, as England's in India. As a republic the policy of the United States should be gradually to yield self government as far as is safe and practicable to the Filipinos. Thus we would not only act consistently with our professed principles, but would at the same time relieve ourselves of some portion of "the white man's burden'

The report on the question of filling the east side lowlands from the harbor sides is very encouraging, and this great piece of double improvement seems in a fair way of accomplishment.

WASTE OF POLICY-HOLDERS' MONEY.

T IS FREQUENTLY STATED, and no doubt truly gation are entirely solvent; still have great assets, that there is no occasion for fear that any policies will not be fully paid when due to policy-holders or their heirs or other beneficiaries. .

But this, while true, in no wise excuses the extravagant, not to say reckless and corrupt, use of the funds of those companies. Enough has been shown to prove that the management of these companies has been almost incredibly wasteful, and that no regard was had for policy-holders' interests. Even in the case of the Prudential, of which Senator Dryden of New Jersey has for many years been president, it was shown that it cost \$130,000,000 to collect \$306,500,000 from policy holders and to pay out \$92,000,000 to beneficiaries, figures which show clearly that premiums are too high. Equally bad or worse figures appear, so far as the poor memories of presidents and other officers would allow, as to the other companies being investigated.

These figures show that the policy-holders' investments ought to be worth a great deal more than their face value, or than they are, since such great sums have been collected from them, and partly squandered. Or, what would practically amount to the same thing, pre-miums should have been much lower. The policy-holders should have saved a large percentage of their insurance investments for other purposes, or else should have the principal benefit of the earnings of those in-

That the policies are good and the companies sound is petter than insolvency and loss, of course, but the policy holders have been swindled out of vast sums none the

Lawyer Abe Hummel has kept many a man out of jail who deserved to be there, but couldn't keep him-

character of their work. But the lawyers who defend HARBOR IMPROVEMENT AND COAST TRADE.

THAT THERE WILL BE much harbor improvement and increase of dock facilities in the neat future seems assured, and it was quite time for these movements to begin. R. P. Schwerin, manager of the O. R. & N. ocean steamship lines, has been much enlightened during the past year, and not only will greatly increase the area of that company's docks and mprove the facilities for handling Reight, but contemplates putting on a line of new clipper vessels between Portland and San Francisco. The coastwise business is growing so rapidly and the prospects for its future growth are so good, that these steps are deemed necessay. The Alaska dock will also be enlarged and electric freight transferring appliances installed, and owners of other docks and dock sites will be obliged to take similar action. Portland's coastwise trade will show a big increase next year, especially if her merchants at the first opportunity go after and secure the Alaska trade.

The project for filling the low grounds on the east side adjacent to the river with material taken from the river bed, thus enlarging the harbor, appears on examinadone, by the city acting in conjunction with many prop-United States, including Alaska. The population is erty owners, it will be, if accomplished, of great benefit 294,000,000, or more than three and a half times that to all concerned. Portland must not now half in the of this country. But while the population in India is presence of big jobs, and harbor improvement is one of

> Congressional economy usually manifests itself in wrong places and ways. Meager appropriations for meritorious river and harbor improvements are not true

> If the Russians established a congress, care should be taken that the grand dukes don't get into and control

Knew the Numbers.

From the San Francisco Chronicle, The orchestra had finished the closing election of the concert. As the audience was leaving the hall a lady approached one of the trombone players. With musiof the trombone players. With musi-enthusiasm shining out of her eyes agked: "Will you kindly tell me name of that glorious selection you

"That, mum," replied the trombonist, with a pride that swelled his manly bosom, "that, mum, was No. 15 in the

The Auto Guarantee.

From the San Francisco Chronicle, "My brother bought an automobile re last week," said an angry man to the salesman who stepped up to greet him, 'and he says you told him if any-thing broke you'd supply a new part." "Certainly," said the clerk, "what

One Thing Certain.

Tetanus Cured by Magnesium Salts.

From the New York World.
Dr. Samuel J. Meitzer, of 107 West
One Hundred and Twenty-second street,
has proved that magnesium sulphate
when injected into the spinal canal acts

as an anaesthetic.
Dr. Meltzer and several other promi Dr. Meitzer and several other promi-nent physicians have been experiment-ing in the Rocketeller institute and the result was made known in a paper read before the Academy of Medicine. When Dr. Meitzer declared that a case of tetanus had been cured by injecting magnesia sulphote, which is the same as Epsom salts, into the spinal canal of a Greek who had lockias he created of a Greek who had lockjaw he created

a sensation.

If the discovery proves as useful in practice as in theory he will have accomplished a great work. Physicians generally believe that when magnesia sulphate is applied it may effect a cure where all other remailer would fail "Certainly," said the cierk, "what does he want?"

"Ite wants two deltoid muscles, a couple of kneepans, one cibow and about half a yard of cutiele," said the man, "and he wants 'em right away!"

"The vague possibilities of the discovery during the week there will be several meetings to discuss the practicability of using it.

Has Taft Grown Weary?

Prom the Minneapolls Journal.

Coal is high this winter, wood is steep.

coke has gone up 50 cents and peat is session of the Pan-American congress, not yet out the market; but we may be, which meets in Rio de Janeiro. What's sure that mercury will be low. From Harper's Weekly

A Doctor on Eating.

Dr. Edwin B. Teuter, a noted specialist on foods and their uses, told to the Chicago Medical society his rules for health and longevity:

Eat moderately; pever to complete Eat slowly.

Eat rational combinations of simple Masticate thoroughly. Perform no hard mental or physical

He cheerful at meals. Anger or any other emotion may suddenly stop diges-Meat once daily is sufficient.

Ment once daily is sufficient. Have
it boiled, broiled or ronsted, never fried.
Avoid cold ments except boiled ham.
Avoid wine and beer with meals.
Avoid pies, pancakes and puddings.
Spinach, asparagus, lettuce and onlons
are the best vegetables.

Human Nature Revealed.

From the Atchison Globe.
We have noticed that when a woman goes into a dry goods store and asks to see the silk she talks louder than if she wanted to see the calleo.

Many a man thinks he is virtuous be-cause he feels victous when he sees

SMALL CHANGE

Still, it is unlikely that the free see

To the poor child an empty Christmas stocking is a tragedy which it all not be allowed to suffer.

Let it be hoped that he will be Long

Ex-Governor Geer desires to include almost everybody in his "special constituency."

Fra Elbertus Hubbard is often abou right. For instance, he is a vigorousi; outspoken enemy of that pest, the ciga

Ex-Queen Lilliuokalani still want a lot of Uncle Sam's money. But if she can't get it she will have lots of

Even Mr. Schwerin has discovered that Portland is quite a port.

New York man a few days-ago and took out a lead pencil several inches long But finding no "copy" in which "Xmas" occurred, they let him go.—

Mr. Longworth, if ever inclined to be "cruel and inhuman" to his wife, may pause to remember that he has a big-stick father-in-law.

The president has lately purchased two buildogs, but evidently not with reference to Nick Longworth's visits.

It's an unlucky Friday for

Apparently the contest between the "wets" and "drys" of Ashland will go on about as long as Tennyson's brook. It would be better if either side should complete control by a big ma

Treat the overworked women clerks

weather observer in Baker City A weather observer in Baker City is reported to be mentally unbalanced. Most people who think and talk princi-pally about the weather haven't minds enough to get out of balance.

A Buffalo man is accused of having been drunk 1,063 times in eight years. It is supposed that on the other 1,857 days the poor fellow was broke.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Two big bald eagles have recently

Pendleton Engles have dedicated

Horse market looking up in Umatilla

A lot was sold in Pilot Rock last week for \$10 that sold 20 years ago

In one short item the Dufur Dispatch

Baker City is up against a fuel prob

Several dogs having been poisone in Athena, the Rod and Gun club of that city has offered a reward of \$50 for the apprehension of the miscreant.

A Glenarbor man has sold 4,000 young

Cougars kill many goats

Many dryland claims being taken up A pumping plant six miles from

Baker City will eventually irrigate 2,500

Miss Lulu Sweet is an eastern Mult-nomah county book canvasser. If there is anything in a name, she ought to

Blaine Correspondence of Tillamook Headlight: Johney Creecy's horse is very sick, but we hope it will be all right in a few weeks.

Gold Hill people subscribed liberally to fire sufferers.

Flour mill in Haines next year. There are five bachelors, says the Oak Grove correspondent of the Stay-ten Mail, who seem to be getting tired of baching this winter.

Silver Lake people amuse themselved

Laidlaw Chronicle: The wealth Crook county today in livestock is increase. Ten years hence will see it doubled and the time to make money here in this line is only approaching.

Candidates for sheriff in differen counties bobbing up.

Agate Correspondence of Gold Hill News: It tooks quite like prosperity to see the work of improvement going on. Pence building, land clearing and the cars on the new railroad rushing by. And it looks like we might still have another railroad across the valley as the surveyors were passing through here a few days ago looking

WOMEN ARE LARGELY TO BLAME

We women do a great deal of grubling about the way the men treat us

but sometimes when I see the

They belong to whoever gets there It is purely a matter of courtesy who

I have seen a woman get into a crowded car and look at every seated man us though he were the lowest of God's creatures and make audible remarks about men's politeness, etc. Needless to say, that kind of woma

She antagonizes the men, and they don't care whether she stands or not.

Do not think that I am taking the part of the men who hustle and push the women aside so as to secure the best seats, or the men who sit while

women are standing.

I am simply trying to make women see that there is some politeness due on their side, as well as the men's.

A woman who has been sitting all afternoon at a matinee should not expect a tired man to give her his seat.

As for the woman who shops, she would save herself and others a great deal of discomfort if she would go home before the rush begins.

There is no need to look mortally in

There is no need to look mortally insulted if the person standing next knocks against you.

Probably some one has knocked against him, and he has lost his bal-

don't give up their seats for them, but would those same young women give up their seats to older women? I see many young girls comfortably seated while women old enough to be

their grandmothers stand.

The fault is not all on the men's side

"Old Ironsides."

(Note-Secretary Bonaparte propose destroy the old ship Constitution.)

Ay, tear her tattered ensign down!" Long has it waved on high, And many an eye has danced to see That banner in the sky.
What good is that old wooden ship
In these hard days of ram And steel and modern enginery?
She isn't worth a damn.

When winds were hurrying o'er the flo When dollars count for more han heroes' blood, or anything

Set every threadbare sail; †-And on the bottom of the deep Let her inscribe the tale Of patriotic gratitude
That sets the soul astir—
The part she did in saving us

Oh, better that her shattered hulk Should sink beneath the wave Than that she should remain affoat

Above her proper grave
While patriotism is in doubt
If it be wise to give
A dollar now and then, so that
Old Ironsides might live.
—Wm. J. Lampton in N. Y. Sun. The Pearl Workers.

Marion Harland in Christmas Lippin The chief industry of Bethlehem of Judea is that of the mother-of-pear workers.

sea, and in the hands of native artisans are polished and carved, the larger into elaborate designs; the smaller are cut up for rosaries and crosses. The work is all done by hand, and the methods from the home of steam and electric power. But the results are extraordi-nary. The largest shell we saw was carved in scenes from the birth of Christ, the agony in the garden and the Christ, the agony in the garden and the crucifixion, and had the general effect of delicate frostwork. Under the magnifying glass every detail was seen to be perfect in outline and in finish. It was executed to order for a wealthy American and was to cost \$160.

About 150 people make a living by this industry, which is 500 years old. In the shops the workmen sit upon the floor, their benches in front of them. The air is full of whitish dust and the very sick, but we hope it will be all right in a few weeks.

A club for the social and commercial development of Condon has been organized.

LEWIS AND CLARK

At Fort Clatsop.

December 21.—As usual, it rained all night and continued without intermission during the day. One of our Indian visitors was detected in stealing a horn spoon and turned out of the camp. We find that the plant called sacacommis forms an agreeable mixture with tobacco; we therefore dispatched two men to the open lands near the ocean in order to collect some of it, while the rest continued their work.

The Coming Great Poet.

From the Atlanta Constitution.
Some time since Mr. James Whitcomb Riley foreshadowed what the
great coming peet would be; and here
is fine thought of him by the late Frederic Lawrence Knowles:
"When the tunesters of our time
Learn to live before they rhyme,

He shall stand, with brow of fiame As the Hebrew prophets came, Shouting, as he smites the string.

Rev. J. A. Dixon, paster of the Metho-dist church in Hardwick, Vermont, in order to get acquainted with the labor-ers of the village and thereby be bet-ter enabled to reach them through the pulpit, has donned the apron of a stone-cutter and with mallet and hammer is learning the trade of granite-cutter in the shops of the largest concern in the village.

insurrection against Turkey, has arrived in this country and will try to interest the American board of foreign missions in his project for a boys' chool in Albania.

John B. McCall, a member of the Aus-

The fault is not all on the men's side by any means.

They may be selfish.

We are ungracious.

There is not much to choose between us.

Suppose we attend to our own manners for awhile, instead of trying to mend theirs.

It may bring excellent results in the shape of offered seats.

John B. McCall, a member of the Australia, parliament, has been in Cojorado lately investigating the subject of Irrigation. He came as the official representative of Australia, where the subject is to be taken up.

It is reported that the Duke of Abruszi, cousin of King Victor Emmanuel, is organizing an expedition for the exploration of central Africa, and is on his way to Paris and London to arrange for transportation facilities.

Sabbath Breaking.

From the China Mail. There was an instance last week in Hongkong showing how a philanthropic law can become a hardship when rigidly steamer Hein was sum-Norwegian steamer Hein was summoned for having worked cargo on Sunday without a permit, and fined the sum of \$200. The circumstances under which the breach of the regulations were committed are worthy of note. It appears that on Saturday night the captain gave orders that steam would not be required doing. This was not sanctioned by the captain or any of his officers, who overlooked it as they were under the impresmit was not required. The captain stated that he was so particular not to allow the crew to work on Sunday that he ordered them not to take the hose from a waterboat on board, telling the man in charge to come back on Monday. He greatly appreciated the Sunday's holiday to be obtained when in a British port, which only happened about once in six months, and had he known that the

day orders (without pay) for the United States government. He is Isaac Loe-wel of No. 585 Amsterdam avenue, a

clerk in the money order department of the general postoffice.

Three oculists examined Loewel's eye yesterday. They were Doctors Brews-ter and Casper Stock and Professor

Boon.

"Your case is hopeless," said Pro-fessor Boon. "I am afraid you will never be able to see with your right eye again. The retina has been torn is one chance in a thousand for you, if you will lie in bed for six weeks in

a darkened room and remain away from

a darkened room and remain away trot:
work for four months. The optic nerve,
which has been severed, may fall back
in place and heal."

In investigating this story yesterday
the World discovered that 70 per cent
of all the cleffs in the money order department use or have been advised to use specially focused glasses to save their eyes from just the type of trou-ble that has befallen Loewel.

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

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Use all your hidden forces. Do do miss
The purpose of this life, and do not For circumstance to mold or change

your fate, in your own self lies destiny. Let this Yast truth cast out all fear, all preju-All hesitation. Know the you are

great— Great with divinity. So dominate Environment, and enter into bilss. Love largely and hate nothing. Hold

That does not chord with universal Hear what the voices of silence All joys are yours if you put forth your

OREGON'S AGRICUL-TURAL FUTURE

gifts to Oregon. Her mountains have not been a great foil of by a woman. In the made a great fool of by a woman. Mankind is all tarred with the same brush, though some who chance to be operated upon when the brush is fresh from the barrel get more than their share of the tar. The biography of a celebrated man usually reminds me of the dutside of a coastguardsman's cottage—all tar and whitewash.

PERSONAL FANGES

Haakon, which Prince Charles of Denmark assumed on ascending the Norwegian throne, recalls that state's past when an independent kingdom. Hasking whom Norway had of its own. Has king whom Norway had of its own. Has widow, Margaret, a Danish princess, came to rule over Norway. Denmark and Sweden and strove to make the arrangement lasting by the union of 1397. Sweden revolted under Gustavias Vasa, the contemporary of King Henry VIII of England, but Norway remained a Danish dependency until 1814.

Rev. J. A. Dixon, pastor of the Methodiest church in Hardwick, Vermont, in order to get acquainted with the labor-ing on a thousand hills, they will be ingo on a thousand hills, they will be

materialize in the inland empire.

Not only will this increased output be made possible by irrigation, but the great grain-producing districts of the Columbia river basin will also contribute their quota. Exclusive wheat growing in these sections will be supplanted in a large measure by animal husbandry. Alfalfa, peas, rape and vetch will be produced as rotation crops with the cereals in this section. This will mean the feeding of great numbers of stock where but few are produced at moned for having worked cargo on Sunday without a permit, and fined the sum of \$200. The circumstances under which the breach of the regulations were committed are worthy of note. It appears that on Saturday night the captain gave orders that steam would not be required on Sunday, as no cargo was to be worked. In the morning, consequently, nothing was done by his orders, but the comprador, who had some empty bottles stored in the after part of the ship, discharged them over the ship's side and was caught by the water police while so doing. This was not sanctioned by the captain or any of his officers, who overvating of agriculture in the inland empire to a higher plane of stability. Agriculture, to be effective and permanent, must include animal husbandry. This is indispensable for the maintenance of soil fertility. Our farmers should banish the erroneous idea of the inexhaustibility of their farms.

The great progress in agriculture in western Oregon will be along the lines

western Oregon will be along the lines of dairying and stockbreeding. This section is ideal for the establishment of six months, and had he known that the comprador was committing an offense he would have been stopped at once. Under the circumstances, it seems that the wrong man was punished and that the fine was a rather heavy one.

Eyesight Lost Through Overwork.

From the New York World.

A man has lost forever the use of his eye as the direct result of straining the

f the continnent.
Truly there is a great future for agriculture in this state. Our common-wealth is richly endowed with natural resources but the great wealth of Ore-gon rests in the development of her

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Portland, Or., Dec. 19.—To the Editor of The Journal—As I was walking down Stark street this afternoon, between Fourth and Fifth streets, I witnessed what to me is the most heart-rending of all sights, a drunken girl. She was tall, siender and handgome, probably not much over 20 years of age. Neither not much over 20 years of age. Neither expression, complexion or attire in any sense indicated a fast life, for she was just a wholesome, healthy-looking, beautiful girl, presenting a picture spoiled only by her ghastly attempts to smile and her undignified and staggering efforts to walk. Supporting her as best she could on one side was a somewhat older woman, groggy and jeering, but apparently not as helplessly drunk as her companion. On the other side her companion. On the other side—shame that I should have to write it was a man, but not, however, inebriated to look twice to be sure of correctly estimating his character. He likewise was tall and of fine physique, but his heart must have been of a deeper black than either his well-cut frock coat or fine silk hat, or else under such circumstances his jesting mien certainly would not have been possible. As I am writing this tonight where is his am writing this tonight where is his beautiful companion of this afternoon? She is somebody's daughter and maybe somebody's sister and at least once was pure. May God in heaven help her. Feliow-men, all of this is in our day, today, and every day. Should the damnable traffic that encourages and once let the spiritual laws be understood

Material things must answer and obey.

What Is He After?

From the Kansas City Star.
In announcing his reconversion to the Republican faith Webster Dayls has not definitely indicated what he wants.

damnable traffic that encourages and makes possible a seene so eminently depositely seen seen so eminently depositely seen to cherwise gallant American voters will surely some day perceive their duty in this regard and perform it. Meanwhile traffic that encourages and makes possible a seene so eminently depositely accept the conviction will continue to use the weapon they seem to think was given to them for a purpose and work and vote in accordance with their convictions.