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THE EVIL OF IT.

The death of Capt. Ida Bennett, of the Salvation Army at Spokane Falls, last Friday is an appaling circumstance, and although assassinated by one of her converts, she is a martyr to the cause of Christianity.

Ida Bennett was a woman of more than ordinary ability, education and refinement. She was led to work in that strata of human society that is left for the Salvation Army solely for a love of the cause, and not for any pleasant associations which go with Christian workers whose labors are among the very best elements of society. The work of the Salvation Army is in the slums and among only the ignorant and vicious.

The company in Spokane were accustomed to march from the Armory in the evening to a street crossing, and there to sing and pray and exhort the bystanders who had not given the subject of Christian religion much thought, to begin it now, and would invite them to follow to the Armory, where special attention and personal friendship would be extended to any person desiring it. Her remarks would often be interrupted by a speech from some ignorant devotee who had lately joined the army. The following is a sample: "Four veeks ago I vas yust as bad as you vellas on the sidevalk, and now see me. Come oud and go mit us to Heaven."

Miss Bennett came of people of wealth and refinement, and in a few days proposed to relinquish her work and go back to them in California. That her association with people of a low grade of intelligence was galling to her sensitive nature cannot be disputed, and the tact with which she repelled the advances of her disgusting lover showed her to be moulded of different clay. The fool who murdered her and then suicided is a fair representative of the whole class with whom she had to deal, possessing merely the requisite amount of courage for the deed. If the death of Miss Bennett will prove to other zealous girls that this is not a proper field for them to work in she will not have lived in vain. These people are those who compose mobs, men of strong passions and vicious impulses, and while they will follow any beautiful young woman who yields herself for their leader, it is not for any love of her teachings, but the mere magnetism of her own beauty and the hope of her recognition.

WYOMING SPEAKS.

The Wyoming legislature, a few days ago, unanimously adopted the following concurrent resolutions:

Be It Resolved, By the second legislature of the state of Wyoming, that the posession and exercise of suffrage by the women in Wyoming for the past quarter of a century, has done great good in many ways; that it has largely aided in banishing crime, pauperism and vice from this state, and that without any violent or oppressive legislation; that it has secured peaceful and orderly elections, good government, and a remarkable degree of civilization and public order; and we point with pride to the fact that, after nearly twenty-five years of women suffrage, not one county in Wyoming has a poor house, that our jails are almost empty, and crime, except that committed by strangers in the state, almost unknown; and as the result of experience we urge every civilized community on the earth to enfranchise its women without delay.

Resolved, That an authenticated copy of these resolutions be forwarded by the Governor of the state to the legislature of every state and territory in this country, and to every legislative body in the world; and that we request the press throughout the civilized world to call the attention of their readers to these resolutions.

Editor Rosewater, of the Omaha Bee, is in New York gathering figures in reference to the Union Pacific railroad debt, which falls due within three years, and which will come up for action before congress next winter. A sentiment began to formulate some time ago for extending the time of payment to practically an indefinite period, but Mr. Rosewater does not believe in any such a scheme. He declares the only feasible proposition is to let the road go to foreclosure and take the chances of receiving the money advanced by the government. If the road would sell for less than $33,000,000 there would be a loss to the government, but the development of the western country has more than paid back to the government the money advanced, or the difference between that advanced and what would be lost as the result of the sale.

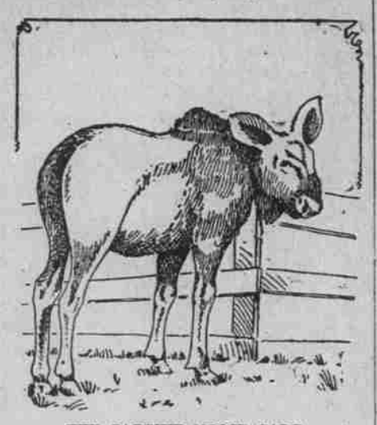
UPPER YUKON MOOSE.

A San Francisco Man Now Acclimating an Alaskan Calf.

The first living moose ever landed in San Francisco is now an occupant of the yard of Charles D. Ladd at 2009 Jackson street and is flourishing to a degree that insures its growth under the new conditions so different to those of its natural habitat.

It was brought from Alaska on the steamship St. Paul and is the survivor of three which were captured for Mr. Ladd at a point on the Yukon river many hundreds of miles above the mouth of that stream. In that locality elk, deer, moose and mountain sheep, together with bears, lynxes, foxes and other wild animals, are in greater number than anywhere else in the world, unless it be in certain remote parts of Africa.

Along the Yukon the whistle of the elk and the hoarse, roaring call of the



THE CAPTIVE MOOSE CALF.

moose can be very often heard by passengers as boats pass near the spruce-covered banks of the broad stream. Moose are occasionally caught by the natives, but only when they are especially ordered.

The moose is undoubtedly the most interesting, as it is the largest, of the deer family. When full grown it is not rare to find specimens standing 7 feet high at the shoulder, and they carry antlers that weigh 200 pounds. The monstrous spread, great strength and peculiar shovel-like form of the antlers indicate their particular usefulness to the animal.

In the summer when budding trees and fresh grasses afford food, the moose is hornless or just growing antlers, but when the snow comes and vegetation is deeply buried the heavy horns are used to dig the snow away from the verdure below.

In capturing the calf which is now at Mr. Ladd's a company of Alaskan natives rounded up a band of moose and drove them into the Yukon river. Then it was easy to paddle alongside the calves and pass ropes over their heads and tow them ashore. They are easily tamed and are not vicious, despite their ungainly appearance.