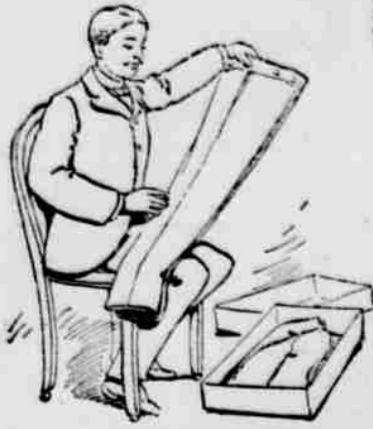


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DREYFUS FOUND GUILTY.

The greatest farce of modern times in the way of a judicial proceeding has come to an end in France and Captain Dreyfus has been found guilty. Nearly the whole world will regard it as a miscarriage of justice, but enough was brought out in the evidence to show how low the military of the republic has fallen, and there will be little surprise over the verdict, says the Spokesman Review.

When the court of cassation decided that there had been error and that the prisoner on Devil's island should have another hearing, it was believed that the wrong of 1894 would be righted. It had been shown that there were no real grounds for the original conviction, and it was supposed that a sense of fair play would be more than enough to overcome the influence of the army clique, through which Dreyfus had been first condemned.

Such, however, was not to be. The military class for the time was all powerful. As a court there were named officers of low grades, who no doubt shared the sentiment almost universal in France that the effort to free Dreyfus is inspired by a feeling of hostility and contempt for the army. They were men with careers before them, taught to respect and obey the general officers, and careful in their calculations as to what effect any verdict they might render would have on their professional future. General Mercier was therefore allowed to "run things" about as he wished exceeding his role of witness and forever brow-beating the court, counsel and prisoner. The fate of Picquart was enough to warn the court that independence of thought or action would be fatal, and the result is a conviction.

As to the testimony, there has been nothing which would have been sufficient, according to American usage, to cause the prisoner even to be tried at all. The bordereau, upon which much hinged, was not proved to be the work of Dreyfus, but was very conclusively traced to Easterhazy as author. Nearly all the evidence was made up of trifling hypotheses, gossip, army tattle and innuendos, all emanating from the general staff or its hirelings. Mercier, with a flourish, had promised new disclosures, but nothing came of the promise. It was a repetition and rehash of the old charges, nearly all of which were punctured by the defense through its own witnesses. The prosecution was allowed full latitude in bringing forward its proof, but all dangerous questions of the defense attacking this proof were excluded by the court through the grossest partiality. As M. Labori said Wednesday, "I am forbidden to speak

every time I enter upon ground where my position is irresistible. It is impossible for me to approach those questions which are the very core of the trial."

In another word, the Dreyfus court martial has been a cut and dried affair from the first. The general officers insisted upon a conviction for the sake of shielding the rascals in the army, and the under officers obeyed. But the end is not yet. The case may be appealed and a reversal secured. It has become more than a Dreyfus affair, however; it is now a controversy between the people and an overawing military organization, rotten to the core. It is an issue between a republic in reality and a monarchy in the shape of a military clique of general officers given to perjury, deceit, forgery and oppression. France has fallen very low, and only an upheaval will effect the work of purification. The conviction of Dreyfus will be the signal for that work to begin.

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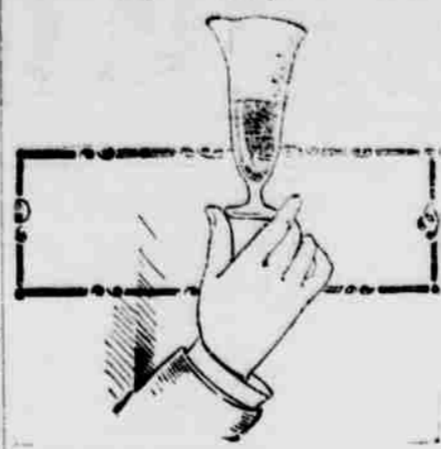
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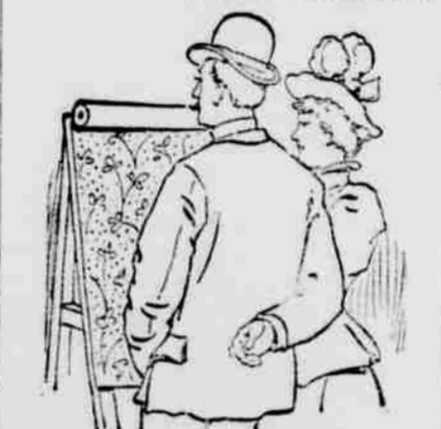


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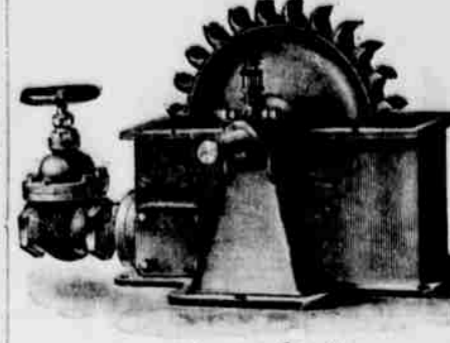
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