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 RELIC OF THE DARK AGES

The corrupt public sentiment that allows, and even sanctions, in men what it will not tolerate in women, that will make an outcast of woman and sink her to the lowest depths, and excuse man, guilty of the same sin, thus placing the garland of respectability over man and the penalty of shame and disgrace over woman, is a relic of the dark ages. It was born in the age of evil propensity, before the dawn of the Christian era. After the march of civilization for many centuries it still casts its shadow of darkness over our social system. Its gloom may be seen in every realm of society, deflecting the rays of Christianity and obscuring the light of intelligence by the clouds of prejudice. In our own Christian land a young man may go astray, sow his wild oats, associate with the vile, dissipate his manhood and sink to the lowest depths of sin, and when tired of his life of shame the prodigal may return, repent and join the temperance society, and the doors of society, of the lodges and the churches are thrown open to him. Their altars are spread before him, the arms of society are thrown around him, the white hand of innocence is extended to welcome him, the tears and cheers of society greet him. He can even lead to the altar as his bride the purest girl in the land, and the church and State will combine to unite the red hand and vile heart of the sinner with the white hand and pure heart of the saint. If the leniency shown men was truly an expression of charity or Christ spirit it would be equally extended to women. But, unfortunately, this is not true, for if the prodigal son, that society has so generously forgiven, has a sister, who, under the most seductive temptation, makes a single misstep, the lines of society are quickly drawn so as to leave the unfortunate one outside the circle. The doors of the churches and lodges are practically closed, and from their saintly altars no incense rise to awaken sweet pity in the skies. While public sentiment is much disturbed and no voice of forgiveness is ever heard. Doors that swung open at brother's return are closed against sister, her tears to spurn; voices that extolled the brother's good name, secretly whisper the sister's dark shame. Hearts that make long prayers to Heaven, to her turn cold and unfeeling. For the prodigal son the lamb is slain. But the prodigal daughter is left in shame. This man, by men and women, is forgiven, while woman, poor soul, must look to Heaven. Woman thus becomes an outcast and soon sinks to the lowest depths, with no hand to uplift, no eye to pity, no heart to forgive. This is not right, and until the standard by which woman is judged is made equally binding upon man, society will never be able to free itself from this disgraceful evil. We can never have the perfect home, the enjoyment of sacred bliss or give progeny a noble birth until the church, the lodges and the better element of society array themselves in pronounced opposition to this evil, so that the lines of justice will fall upon all alike and extend the arms of protection, words of encouragement, altars of true worship and prayers of forgiveness to unfortunate women as well as men. They cannot serve the purpose for which they were founded or establish Christ's kingdom in the heart of man until they do this.

Dr. W. W. OGLESBY.
The New Pope—Pius X.

ROME, Aug. 4.—At noon today Cardinal Macchi appeared on the Vatican portico and at once announced to the waiting throng that Joseph Sarto, Cardinal and Patriarch of Venice, had been elected Pope and had taken the name of Pius X. Five minutes later the new Pope appeared and blessed the expectant throng. Joseph Sarto was born at Riese, Italy, June 2nd 1835, being now in his 69 year. He began to study for the priesthood at his native place and passed to the college of Castle, France, where he was ordained a priest. In 1893 Sarto was made a Patriarch and Cardinal at Venice. His great and unassuming charities have won him multitudes of ardent friends among all classes. Sarto was greatly loved by the late lamented Pope Leo, who believed he would succeed him as head of the papacy. Sarto was a compromise candidate but generally satisfactory.

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GAMBLING HIS RUIN.

Chas. Griffin Commits Suicide Rather than Face Disgrace—A Crusade Against all Gambling Games

The young man, Charles Griffin, whose body was found after five days of rolling on the bottom of the Willamette River at Eugene, committed suicide, and was not accidentally drowned, as returned by the coroner's jury. The young man's relatives will accede to this statement and will say that the influence which caused the young man to take his life was his infatuation for gambling games. As a result of this condition of affairs, the brothers of the unfortunate young man have taken up a fight against the games of Eugene, which have been running during the past few months. Complaints were made by Walter Griffin, member of the firm and brother of the deceased young man. He is a City Councilman.

"I tell you," he said to a gambler, while the latter attempted to dissuade him from undertaking the attack on the games. "I will not let up until I have exerted every power within my reach to close your business. You are not doing a legal business, and we have the town at our back. You cannot say that I should not prosecute because I have patronized the games, because I do not care what I have done in the past. I have given the last dollar I ever will to the support of the gamblers, and now it won't be long until you are put out of business."

The gambler turned away and spread the news among his associates. They stood in groups about the street discussing the deed which brought upon them the anger of a bunch of citizens, who heretofore have winked at the existence of these very games. The Eugene Guard says:

GAMBLER SUNDAY

It was ascertained that young Griffin had been gambling in a saloon on the Sunday night previous to the Monday night when he destroyed himself. He had lost all his ready cash. In desperation he wrote five checks and signed the firm's name to them, "Griffin Hardware Co.," which was considered as good as gold by those to whom they were presented to cash. The amount forged in this manner was \$250.00 in five checks. Three of the checks have been paid at the bank by the firm, but two were not honored.

IN BAD CONDITION

"He was in no mental condition to play at a game where a clear memory is required. He drank absinthe, whiskey and other strong drink and, while not a drinking man, took them in the excitement of the moment. He smoked cigarettes as rapidly as they could be smoked and in every way was in no fit condition to play. Then when the last dollar was played he went into the street with the resolve that his folks and friends should never accuse him of his crime to his living face. That night he died."

ARRESTS MADE

As a result of the terrible termination of the incident, the relatives and friends of the deceased young man are extremely indignant at the existence of conditions in Eugene where young men can gamble away their lives.

This indignation is expected to show itself in a very decided manner, in fact four arrests were made on gambling charges Thursday afternoon. Complaints were sworn to by Chief of Police Stiles against Geo. Berger of the Reception saloon, J. J. Rude of the Manhattan, Tom Gillman of the Oregon, and Fred Ware, a well known gambler.

The men appeared before Recorder Dorris on charge of each and severally violating the city ordinance prohibiting gambling in Eugene.

Berger, Ware and Gillman appeared Friday before the Recorder and each entered a plea of guilty, as charged. They were fined \$50 each, which was paid at once.

J. J. Rude was not in the city at the time he was alleged to have broken the law. All gambling has ceased in Eugene.

Three mountain ranges traverse Oregon from north to south—the Coast, 10 to 20 miles from the ocean, having an extreme altitude of 4,000 feet; the Cascades, 100 to 150 miles inland, ranging in height from 6,000 to 12,000 feet; and dividing the state into Eastern and Western Oregon; and the Blue Mountains, 3,000 to 10,000 feet, near the eastern boundary. Upon the slope of these mountains and their spurs are the largest and most valuable timber tracts in the world, the output of lumber for 1902 being worth \$10,000,000. Between each of the mountain ranges are millions and millions of acres of as productive land as can be found beneath the sun, the yields of wheat, oats, flax, barley and fruits leading every known region, both in quality and quantity.

NEW DEPOTS COMPLETED.

Supt. Pearson in His Convent New Quarters. Construction Work is Progressing. Steam Shovel.

Supt. J. H. Pearson of the Oregon & Southeastern railroad, and his office force are now very conveniently quartered in the fine new three story depot building of the company at this place, the transfer from the old to the new quarters having been made Thursday. This new passenger and freight depot building is commodious, conveniently arranged and fitted up in modern style. Sidings will soon be completed on both the east and west sides of the building, the one for passenger and the other for freight traffic.

Construction work is still being pushed out at the front beyond the Red Bridge and the new depot at that point is completed.

The steam shovel recently purchased by the company will soon be at hand and ballasting work will be resumed on the new road bed. A great deal of business is being handled already by the new road.

COUNTY COURT IS LIBERAL.

W. B. Dennis Receives a Generous Contribution for the Improvement of Cottage Grove-Blackbutte Road

W. B. Dennis, Supt. of the Blackbutte quick silver mines spent a few days in town this week and also at the county seat where he finally secured the promise of liberal financial assistance from the county court for the improvement of the wagon road from this city to the Blackbutte mines, the court agreeing to donate \$1000 toward this much needed road improvement. Mr. Dennis and the citizens of Cottage Grove and the Coast Fork valley have subscribed about \$1200 to this fund which with the county court's liberal donation increases the fund to about \$2200, and when judiciously expended in road work will go a long way toward permanently improving the road at many of the bad places along the route. It was only recently that the county court contributed \$1,000 toward the improvement of the Bohemia, Cottage Grove wagon road and this enterprise and liberality manifested on the part of the county board is fully recognized and duly appreciated by the people of this section of the county, generally.

Sustained A Broken Arm

Mrs. Roberts of Salem met with an accident out on the O. & S. E. railroad Friday, resulting in the fracture of her left arm above the wrist. She had been employed in the culinary department at the LeRoy mines and was on her way to the camp to take her position, when on alighting from the train at the end of the O. & S. E. railroad she started back down the track a short distance to get her breakfast at a "way-side inn," when she slipped and fell on the ties, with the above stated results. She returned to her home at Salem to remain while she is recovering from the injury.

New Saw Mill Plant.

The fine new saw mill plant for the Crystal Consolidated Mining Co., arrived at this place Tuesday and was shipped up to Bohemia the next day where it will be installed and put in operation by the Cottage Grove Engineering Co., which has large machine shops just above this city. The mill will be put in operation as soon as possible in order to supply timbers and lumber for the extensive improvements about the Crystal Consolidated Co's. mine.

The G. A. R. have secured reduced rates to the National Encampment to be held in San Francisco August 17 to 22. From Portland round trip by steamer one way and rail the other, \$25. By steamer both going and returning, from Portland \$20. Round trip tickets by Southern Pacific from Portland, Salem, Albany, Eugene and Roseburg, \$25. Stop over allowed on return tickets. Tickets limited to 60 days, long enough for any body.

Information has reached the Secretary of State to the effect that the "Union Fire Insurance Company of Chicago" has been and is now soliciting insurance, by means of circular letters and otherwise, from agents authorized to represent companies regularly admitted and licensed to do business in this State. This company is not authorized or licensed to transact business in Oregon, neither is it licensed by the Insurance Department of the State, so far as can be ascertained, and is what is known as a "wild cat" insurance company.

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