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ATROCITIES BY TURKS.

Again comes report from Bulgaria of Turkish atrocities in the slaughter of those who have accepted the Christian faith. In this instance several hundreds of men, women and children have been butchered with as little compunction on the part of the butchers as an ordinary individual would show in disposing of the most venomous reptile.

These mussulmans ought to be taught a lesson, but how shall it be done? Shall missionaries be sent among them to teach and to instill into them those principles of love and good will which will lift them above present conditions and insure respect for the rights of others? That certainly would be a commendable thing to do, but the missionaries have already been there and these slaughters come as a result of converting a part of the Armenians to another faith than that of Mohammedanism. What then?

These people have a religion and while, no doubt, it has some commendable virtues as regarding their conduct toward a brother, yet it is not a humane one, and is not calculated to bring peace only through the destruction of opposition, and, hence, there is only one kind of argument that will appeal forcibly in their case and that is the law of force.

These people, for more than a thousand years, have had instilled into them, the thought that there was one God, "Alla," and that Mohammed is his prophet, and that people of other faiths have no rights which they need care to respect, and because of their fanatical zeal comes these slaughter scenes so often reported from the Turkish empire or from places where Mohammedanism has dominant rule.

The law of force, so far as we can comprehend the difficult problem, is the only arbiter that will appeal to them. "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth" is the only method of procedure that will reach them.

If the lives of the perpetrators of these massacres were required in payment for those of their victims, and their rulers held responsible for the debt to outraged society, then perhaps the barbarous Turk would remember that other people have rights that must be respected, and that he is bound to respect them.

The sympathies of the writer are not inclined to the harsh law, "An eye for an eye," etc., but there are conditions and circumstances which make it imperative that force be used.

If an enraged animal is coming at you, you must either be master of it there and then, or get out of its way; and in the matter of the fanatical Turk or any one

else who has wrought him or herself into an ungoverned rage, they must be overpowered else they will wreck their will upon the object of their hatred.

If civilized nations will take it in hand these periodical massacres can be stopped although they may have to use strong measures to do it.

False Concerns Disgrace to Oregon.

Commenting yesterday upon the proposed blue sky law for this state the Portland Journal said:

A high officer in the postal service says crooked promoters come from elsewhere to Oregon to organize fake corporations that they would not dare to organize in other states. In Oregon, the organizing of soap-bubble companies and the floating of bogus securities can be carried on without legally authorized interference by the secretary of state.

Of 16,000 corporations organized under the laws of Oregon, Secretary Olcott says 11,000 are crooked. Men hide behind the corporate organization and do frenzied finance they would not dare to do personally.

The name of the state of Oregon should not be used in any such business. No state should license any corporation to do business without knowing something about what the business is to be and whether or not it is a crooked business.

Whatever corporation the state licenses should be honest. Until it has proven itself honest, it should not be licensed.

That is what is proposed by the Olcott blue sky bill, and the framer of the famous Kansas blue sky law says the Olcott bill is a splendid measure.

How can honest men justify themselves if they vote for Oregon to continue as spawning ground of dishonest companies?

The vote for the Olcott bill should be overwhelming.

A Fight Not Wholly Lost.

The University's long-drawn out fight for good government has at least done some good. It has enabled the Normal school to defeat the work of a gang of petition forgers, and to get an appropriation that is very much needed for the training of the state's teachers.

Likewise, the manifold imperfections of the attorney-general of Oregon have in this instance been the means by which good has been done. It appears that the attorney-general forgot—or at least failed in some manner—to appeal the Monmouth school's case from the decision of the lower court. Thus the injunction issued by the circuit court remains permanent.

Thus, while the University's fight against rottenness and corruption failed so far as the principle was concerned, it centered attention upon itself and enabled another worthy institution to defeat by inadvertence, the work of the crooks and forgers who are fighting education.—Eugene Register.

Benefits of Prohibition.

Kansas people are rejoicing in the fact that, despite the increase in population, the number of patients in Kansas asylums for the insane is steadily decreasing.

The authorities have expressed the conviction that this decrease is due, in large part, to the effective operation of prohibition. No doubt, if total abstinence should come to be the rule throughout the country, many forms of suffering and evil would decrease.—The Presbyterian.

We exported something more than \$1,000,000,000 worth of manufactured goods last year. Just how we have disposed of this volume of trade in competition with pauper labor from which the blessed tariff protects the American workingman is something for the stand-patter to chew upon.—Telegram.

Society lasses are no longer given to the non-euphonic expression, "He is mushy," when a new swain appears upon their horizon who is not up in etiquette to their ideal of how a young man should acquit himself, but they say of him now, "He's a mellow fellow."

Ex-president Roosevelt declares that "The day of the boss, the crooked financier and the crooked newspaper are past." Well, we hope so, but we think he should have included the crooked politician as "good will to men" will not prevail so long as he is on the job.

EIGHT-HOUR LAW UPHELD

California Statute Making Women's Workday Eight Hours to be Strictly Enforced.

The California supreme court, following the example of Washington, has upheld the eight-hour law for women workers, and the public officials throughout the state have set out to enforce it rigidly. The press intimates that this decision is an outcome of the desire to please the women voters, who are now such a power in the politics of the state.

Washington and California are the only states in the Union that have the eight-hour law for women and both are suffrage states.—Woman's Journal.

The Sign on the Church Door.

"This Door Is Open" is the sensible little sign which appears on a massive door of one of your well known churches," said a visitor to New York. "Now, while many churches in most of our large cities make it a practice nowadays to keep the church open for certain hours each week day, as a matter of fact the stranger often tries one or more of the heavy doors and goes away unable to find just what particular door happens to be open. 'This Door Is Open' settles the whole business. It is simple, sensible and saves a lot of embarrassment and fumbling with heavy doors. It struck me as a notably thoughtful little sign."—New York Sun.

The Prime of Age.

"I understand that Lemuel Holland has come back to Danby to end his days," said a former resident of the village to Peter Hobbs, the stage driver. "How old is he?" "He's only eighty-nine," said Mr. Hobbs, "and I guess you've made a mistake about his ending his days here. He came here so he could get the new library started and the bank organized right up to date and to see to the drinking fountain that's to be put up on the green."

"He calculates to spend a year or two with us, but he told me the other day 't he'd always promised his son out in California 't he'd pass the latter part of his life out there, and he's planning to go before he fails any, so's to have the full enjoyment of the trip across country."—Youth's Companion.

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Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening.

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W. A. WOOD, Pastor.

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Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Y. P. S. C. E. 7:00 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching Service, 11:00 a. m.
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
B. Y. P. Union, at 6:30

W. C. T. U.

Local Union meets every second and fourth Friday in the Evangelical church at 2:30 p. m.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that Charles William Leonard, executor of the estate of William Henry Ireland, deceased, has filed his final account as such executor in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and that Saturday, the 7th day of September, 1912, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the Court Room of said County Court in the city of Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to said final account and the settlement thereof.

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CHARLES WILLIAM LEONARD, Executor aforesaid.
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