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CRIME THAT IS WORSE THAN MURDER

The other day at Washington, D. C., ten children were inoculated with germs of tuberculosis in the cause of science. The doctors who ventured on the dangerous experiment wanted to prove or disprove a theory. According to their views of the matter, the risk to which they subjected these ten children was justified by the belief that they were doing science and mankind a good turn, but the people of the country view their work otherwise. There is something revolting in the whole affair that has called forth the strongest condemnation everywhere through the medium of the public press, a striking sample of which appears in a recent number of the Alameda (Cal.) Daily Times.

That paper remarks that the act of inoculating the children in itself was bad enough, but when the further interesting fact is brought out that the inoculation took place without the consent of the victims' parents, it would seem that certain Washington doctors have too long kept out of Washington jails.

The ten unhappy little victims were all inmates of a children's hospital of that city. The operation was carried on secretly, it being the aim of those in charge of the hospital and the operating doctors to keep the reports of the damnable work from the public. But fortunately the affair has been made public and the hospital authorities have been called on to explain what they meant by permitting the inoculation of children in their care with a loathsome disease.

Those responsible for the outrage are apparently unable to appreciate the fact that they have been guilty of one of the most serious of crimes. Their only concern seems to be that the children had been inoculated without the consent of their parents. The Washington authorities are keeping the names of those who have been inoculated from the public lest their parents apply good old-fashioned American lynch law to the guilty physicians.

But there should be no necessity for lynch law, for regardless of the prominence of the doctors guilty of this outrage, they should be prosecuted, and, if there is any law for it, imprisoned. If there is not a law for it, the quicker such a law be put on the statute books the better. A Socialist speaking in Oakland last week charged that such crimes were being committed in the hospitals. Few of us believe it possible, but at Washington, the capital of the nation, ten innocent children have been inoculated with the white plague.

Rev. S. A. Dennis, the good pastor at the head of the Methodist Episcopal flock at Hegewisch, one of the numerous suburbs of Chicago and the home of the lightweight champion pugilist of the world, declares that the salvation of that place depends entirely upon the conversion of this same lightweight champ, who is known to the sporting world as Battling Nelson. The worthy divine says that but owns the place and about all it contains and all the men will be quick to follow his example if he decides to walk in the straight and narrow way. The good minister above referred to is on the ground and probably knows what he is talking about, but we are constrained to believe that he is hanging his hope for the salvation of his flock upon a very slender peg. The Battler has made a success of the pug business and that is mainly what counts in this world from the viewpoint of men of his ilk. There have been pugilists who have reformed and adopted the good work of preaching the gospel to bring humanity, but generally they were not successful in scoring knock-outs in their first chosen occupation.

DESTRUCTION OF BATTLESHIP MAINE

Among the interesting matters related by Commodore W. H. Beecher in his "Experiences of a Naval Attaché," in the October Century, is his theory as to the destruction of the Maine in the harbor of Havana, Ha holds:

The Maine was destroyed by the explosion of a mine, and this mine was probably an improvised affair, a wine cask with about 200 pounds of ordinary gunpowder and buxant, fitted up with any kind of a mechanical contact fuse, a bottle of sulphuric or other strong acid, arranged so that when struck by a vessel the acid would ignite and explode the mine. This cask could have been fitted with a chain and anchor so that the mine would float ten feet above the bottom and twenty feet below the surface of the water. I believe that doubtless such a mine had been placed about thirty feet ahead of the Maine, then lying at the buoy, riding to the trade winds, as usual in that harbor, so that when the ship should swing she would strike the contact mine and blow herself up. The Maine was in the act of swinging at the time she was destroyed. The plausibility of this is confirmed by all the circumstances of the time and place. The trade winds prevail in the harbor at Havana, and ships head to the wind; but the trade winds fall in every four or six weeks, and ships that had been heading northeast swing around and head southwest. Such was the case that evening in Havana.

In our Civil War, the Confederates destroyed more vessels of the Union navy by just such improvised mines than they destroyed by gunfire, and history shows that up to the Spanish war there had been more ships destroyed by torpedoes and mines, since their invention, than by guns. Any one with a smattering knowledge of these facts could have rigged such a mine and fitted it with anchor, or stone to serve as anchor, and could have placed it at proper depth and position ahead of the Maine without having been observed by those on board.

Merchant vessels did not go alongside wharves in Havana, but anchored southeast of the wharves. Cargoes were transferred to and from merchant ships by large lighters that sailed across the bay. The Maine and other men-of-war lay at buoys in position, so that those lighters passed constantly day and night right across their bows, and one man could easily have sailed his lighter with his mine from the shore across the bows of the men-of-war until directly ahead of the Maine, when he could have dropped the whole affair and have left it there to do its work when the Maine should swing around to head southwest.

GAMBLING INSTINCT STRONG IN HUMANITY

The gambling characteristic is strong in all mankind. Everybody likes to take a chance of some kind, whether it be in business, at pleasure, or over the green cloth. Life is more or less a chance, and no doubt this in a measure accounts for the gambling tendencies of the human race. And the desire for gambling is not confined to the civilized nations, but even the aborigine indulges in the pastime. His methods are somewhat primitive in accordance with his habits and surroundings, but he is relieved of his valuables much in the same manner and as effectually as his civilized brother.

So it is not much to be wondered that gambling is a hard evil to combat, for it has the strongest hold on the people of any other enemy of society. Even the churches indulge in a mild form of gambling with their fish ponds, grab bags and the innumerable games of chance that are installed at the annual festivals and fairs to trap the unwary into giving up their money with the hope of securing some one of the trifling baubles offered as prizes.

Notwithstanding the number of cook books published, dyspepsia continues to increase. On second thought, it may be because of them. Anyway, the dyspepsia, and its accompanying grouch, like the poor, is always "in our midst," more's the pity.

NEW MACHINERY ARRIVES

The Guard's new double-deck Mergenthaler linotype arrived here this morning from San Francisco, and will be installed in the paper's new quarters in the theatre block. This will give The Guard a battery of two of the latest models of typesetting machines made by the Mergenthaler company, and will more than double our daily output of matter. In a day or two an additional press and a large quantity of type and other material will be here from Portland to further add to the capacity of the news and job plant.

ing the interior of the building to be occupied by The Guard, and it is expected we will be able to move about the 10th of this month. After we have had time to get fully settled we can confidently promise our readers a much better paper every day, issued an hour or so earlier in the evening, and with the danger of delay on account of breaking of presses or machines reduced to the minimum.

CIGARETTES AND DIVORCE

The Ohio judge who decided that cigarette habit is cause for divorce had no idea at the time that the decision would attract wide attention. Scores of women have written to him, telling their troubles with husbands who use cigarettes and inquiring as to the requirements of citizenship in Ohio. Letters of that character have come to him from Montana and Idaho. According to the Anaconda Standard, the ruling that occasions this widespread interest was made by the Ohio court when a young wife, in stating her reasons for desiring a divorce, said her husband frequently arose in the night to smoke a cigarette. A cigarette fiend is bad enough in the day time, but one who gets out of bed at night to gratify his passion is going the limit and then some. A young wife has no apparent remedy against her offending and offensive lord except at the divorce court. She may arise and lambast him over the head with a pillow, putting out his lighted cigarette and playing havoc with his temper. But at best this redress is only temporary and is likely to be productive of retaliatory measures of a harsh and violent character.

There is one thing the Standard Oil Company possesses that it will never be able to realize anything on in the future, and that is Mr. Foraker of Ohio. And still we do not believe that he is a dishonest man in the sense that he would pick a man's pockets or waylay him at a lonely spot on the road for the purpose of robbing him of his belongings. Foraker is a member of a class that was extremely common a few years ago and he failed to take notice at the proper time that the day is past when a public servant may also be the servant of trusts and corporations. In other words, he failed to heed the scriptural injunction that it is difficult for a man to serve both God and mammon. He can get along fairly well in this world at least, by serving the latter, which Mr. Foraker evidently elected to do, but he should have cut loose from the other extreme and trusted to luck at the end of the redemption of his soul, "for he is not deceived; your sins will find you out." And in the case of Foraker, they did, and at a time when he fancied he was most secure.

Some inquisitive individual has discovered that young girls as a rule are very fond of tragic dramatic plays, while the boys like the plays of the highwayman order. As they grow older the boys and girls are both fond of comedy, and when they become old men and women they will forsake the melodrama and devote all their spare time to the vaudeville houses and light comedy. The solution of this seeming riddle is that the most of us get enough of the tragedy in our own lives and we go to the make-believe life for the comedy.

The lumbermen have won their fight at every point with the railroads and everything points to a steadily upward trend of the market. It would be wise, therefore, for those who expect to build soon to get busy before prices soar to the level of a year ago. Build now, is good advice to all classes.

Arkansas may not have advanced so far in the advertising game as some of her sister states, but the fact that much of its farming land has jumped from \$2 to \$100 an acre within fifteen years tells a story of prosperity and progress that few of 'em can beat.

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Bingo, Okla., claims to be the home of the biggest man on earth—an Indian named Seckonito, who is 26 years old and weighs 656 pounds. All we have to say is that Bingo folk must be honest, or they'd have made it an even 700.

Those Howlings and Bushes, of Breathet county, Kentucky, chose a mighty bad time to start a new blood feud, if they expect to get the country's attention. The country is otherwise engaged—very much so—just now.

And in spite of all the reformers and the reform talk the raceless political party is yet to be organized.

The rapid growth of Oregon is largely explained by the growth in its export products. The most reliable estimates for the current year fixes the gross total of crops raised for export at \$100,000,000.

H. M. Moore, the oldest man in Leavenworth, Kansas, and one of the town's founders, must have been the original rubber-neck. He says he was hung twice, in 1856, by proslavery lynchers.

Do you want a straight tip on the presidential election? Well, here it is: Bryan and Taft will both be elected—we have this positive information direct from the gentlemen themselves.

Maybe those letters were stolen, and then again maybe not. At any rate, we haven't heard that the Standard Oil company has asked to have Hearst pinched for purchasing stolen goods.

Colonel Stewart, the "Dreyfus of the American army," has been put down and out by the army board, and Senator Hayden's oratory must be keyed to less sympathetic strains.

Georgia night-riders to the contrary notwithstanding, few intelligent people regard the burning of negro churches and schoolhouses as a sensible crime-preventative.

Poor human nature is so constituted that the man who gets the Jonah tag fastened on him, whether justly or unjustly, need expect no mercy from his shipmates.

We have no hesitation whatever in asserting that "26 Broadway" is the most widely advertised business address in the United States; also the most "cussed."

It's all right to talk about driving all the rascals to the woods, but have the would-be drivers considered that the woods may not be big enough to hold them all?

Those who claim that you cannot get public attention without exciting the people are finding much to support their contention these days.

Great preparations are being made by the Down-and-Out Club to accommodate the heavy increase in membership it will greet early next month.

And still the pot continues to call the pot black, and those who live in glass houses to throw stones. Solomons are scarce, you know.

Building permits for the month of September go to show that Eugene's growth this year will double all previous records, and then some.

Pittsburgers have gotten rain in answer to their prayers, and might find it a good thing to try prayer on their social scandals.

Eugene's public school buildings are crowded this year worse than ever, notwithstanding the addition of several new rooms.

Recent advices from Honolulu state that the campaign for Hawaiian delegates to Congress has developed into a bitter racial quarrel between the white element and the natives.

The prohibitionists, through their national committee, have decided to adopt the camel as their mascot, replacing the emblems of the fountain and the rising sun, which have stood as the insignia for prohibition since the foundation of the party.

John A. Dix, the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor of New York, is not a son of Gen. John A. Dix, as many persons supposed, but a son of James Lawton Dix, who was a first cousin of the famous general whose message about the flag thrilled the country in civil war days.

It is not generally known that Georgia is the only State in the Union where successful presidential electors must receive a majority of the votes cast in the state. In case the Democratic electors received only a plurality at the election next month it would be necessary for the legislature to name presidential electors.

Herman Ridder, who has succeeded Governor Haskell of Oklahoma as treasurer of the Democratic national committee, is the treasurer and manager of the New York Staats Zeitung, and a prominent figure in German-American journalism. He was born in New York in 1851 and at the age of 11 began work as an errand boy. Later he became an insurance agent, and in 1878 established the Staats Zeitung. His connection with the paper dates from 1879, in which year he became manager of the paper.

Would Mortgage the Farm
A farmer on Rural Route 2, Empire, Ga., W. A. Floyd by name, says: "I don't know a man who has ever sown one of my hand and once on my leg. It is worth more than a gold mine. I would not be without it if I had to mortgage the farm to get it." Only 25 cents at W. A. Koykendall's drug store.

Dr. E. R. Slesley and wife, of Medford, are in the city.

COTTAGE GROVE LOCAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

George Clay, a man who works about the logging camps in this neighborhood, was up before Mayor Job Wednesday, in the absence of Recorder Young, on the charge of drunkenness and fast driving. He had secured a single rig at a livery barn, and in company with a young woman of this city, said to be only 18 or 19 years of age, started out to have a good time. He drove up Main street and across the Coast Ferry bridge at a breakneck speed, not only endangering himself and companion but everybody along that thoroughfare. Officer Green Pitcher made up his mind that it was time to interfere, and gathered in the festive jogger. He was taken before Mayor Job, where he pleaded guilty to reckless driving and was given the limit, \$10. To the charge of drunkenness he pleaded not guilty, and was remanded for a hearing, which will be held next week Friday, before Recorder Young, who is on a business trip to Bohemia. In Clay's pocket was found a bottle half full of alcohol, but not a cent, and it is evident that he depended upon the stimulant and his companion for the "good time."

L. F. Wooley, of Cottage Grove, has a Black Minorca hen which is entitled to the blue ribbon for the production of record-breaking eggs. While this hen lays only every other day, she makes up the days skipped by the size of her product, which average four ounces each, or four eggs to the pound. These eggs are 6 inches in circumference, a little more than 5 inches long, twelve of which laid endwise cover a yardstick from end to end. This hen has produced eggs of this size during the laying season for two years, and none have yet been found which contained a double yolk.

Charles S. Cochran, local band man, accepted the position of leader for the new band organized in this city at a meeting of its members on Tuesday evening. Several young men have been anxious to get a musical organization of this character chartered and their meeting in the outcome of much effort. There are about twelve members on the start but several more have signified their intention of joining, and will do so in the near future.

"Nobby" Clark and wife passed through Cottage Grove Tuesday en route for the Combination mine at Bohemia. The couple were married at the home of the bride in Eugene Monday and will make their future home at the mines. Mr. Clark is a well known wine grower, and his bride formerly Miss Willett, a popular young lady of Eugene. Their many friends extend their best wishes for future happiness.

Henry DeWald came down Tuesday from the Casonville country to visit his father, who was so seriously injured Monday night by being struck on the head with a revolver by thugs, as he was in the act of closing his grocery store. It will be recalled that the two hold-up men were captured and now languish in the jail at Eugene, while Mr. DeWald is speedily recovering from his injuries.

A. D. Owens, the sawmill man, delivered the first load of lumber for Cottage Grove's district fair, built on Wednesday. He says the fair will be a fine thing for Cottage Grove and community and should be generally encouraged and assisted. Mr. Owens generously donated 1000 feet of lumber to the fair association.

The sewer work on the west side is nearly finished, after some several weeks' work. The contractor struck a bad piece of rock which had to be blasted to get a sufficient depth, but is in better ground now. This sewer is a marked improvement, and is credit to the city. The work has been done in a short time considering the bad strip of ground necessary to dig through.

This week A. J. Armstrong, who arrived in this city recently from Milwaukee, has purchased the Grove gallery of Goe, S. Gourley, and assumed charge October 1st—Leader and Western Oregon.

BANKER OSBURN RUN DOWN BY AUTOMOBILE

(From Saturday's Daily Guard.)
F. W. Osburn, cashier of the Eugene Loan & Savings Bank, was run down by an automobile on Williamette street in front of the Hampton store last evening about 8 o'clock and received a serious injury. He was riding along the street on his bicycle when the machine, driven by Miss May VanWinkle and occupied by Elmer Sweeney and Miss Lizzie Knox, came around the corner from Eighth street and bore down upon him. He attempted to turn into the sidewalk but the auto continued to head for him. Miss Van Winkle seemed to have lost control temporarily of the machine in an instant it was upon Mr. Osburn. He was thrown under the wheels of the machine, which was stopped a few yards beyond Mr. Osburn was picked up and taken to his home. Dr. Kuykendall was called and made an examination of the injuries. He found that Mr. Osburn's face and limbs were badly scratched and bruised, but that no bones were broken. He is feeling better today, but will be unable to be out for several days. Miss Van Winkle fainted away after the accident and it still almost prostrated. She was in no way to blame.

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Attorney Geo. A. Pipes has returned from his pleasure trip to San Francisco.

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HARRISBURG NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

(Special Correspondence.)
Harrisburg, Oct. 1.—J. R. Wyatt, a leading attorney of Albany, was here Monday looking after business. V. J. McEeken, of Portland, born and raised here, came up this week to look over the scenes of his boyhood days.

China pheasants are somewhat scarce in this section owing to the business in the season, and those remaining, judging from the squads of hunters congregating here, are in course of inevitable extermination. The home of P. H. Couch was destroyed by fire Thursday morning. When the alarm of the fire bell was heard the citizens responded in full force and were able to save the principal portion of the household effects. The fire was caused by a defective fuse and spread so rapidly that the fire was beyond control before fire-help could reach the place. The house and contents were covered by a one hundred dollars' insurance policy.

Clate Smith sold his candy kitchen and cream business to L. H. Hurlbut this week and he is now in charge.

Mrs. George McCulloch went to Halsey for a short visit Saturday.

Miss Tena Roach was a passenger for Portland Saturday to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. C. F. White returned from Albany Saturday.

Mrs. Asa Branstetter was an arrival here Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. McMahon.

Frank Hay was here over Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hay.

Mrs. R. C. White visited at Albany the latter part of last week.

James F. Nixon was drowned in the Willamette river about four miles north of this city Tuesday. He was darning board wood from the west side of the river to his home on the east side, crossing the river by a ford. The bar on which he had to drive is formed of loose gravel, and his team could therefore haul but a small load, and to facilitate the work he built a raft and loaded it with wood, making the raft fast to the wagon. He started out all right until reaching the main current, where the water had sufficient force to sweep the raft and wagon and team down stream and into deeper water. The team became badly tangled in the harness by the wagon upsetting. In the meantime Mr. Nixon managed to stay aboard the raft until his son swam across the river and procured a boat. They succeeded in rescuing one of the horses, but while working to get the other one clear of the wreck the boat was upset and Mr. Nixon, not being able to swim, sank from sight after struggling for a short time. At this writing his body has not been recovered, although hundreds of searchers have constantly been on the alert.

MARRIED IN TOWER OF HIGH COURTHOUSE

One hundred feet above the earth in the tall tower of Linn county's temple of justice, and almost beneath the huge bell that strikes the hours of the day and rings the fire alarm, Charles E. Ogelsbee, a prominent young man of Marion county, and Miss Edith E. Allphis, of Lebanon, were united in marriage at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Justice of the Peace L. L. Swan, of this city, performed the unique wedding ceremony. Attaches of the court house were witnesses. At the close of the ceremony the big bell chimed out the hour of five, and for the first time in its history was a wedding bell in reality.—Albany Herald.

UNCLE SAM ORDERS AN IMMENSE PAINTING

New York, Oct. 2.—A prominent firm of scenic artists in this city has received an order from the United States government for the execution of an enormous cyclorama for the Alaska-Yukon and Pacific exhibition at Seattle next year. The contract calls for a huge picture on 30,000 square feet of canvas representing mountain scenery of Alaska. There will be besides minor views of Crater Lake, Oregon, studies from the Grand Canyon of the Colorado and Yellowstone National Park. The expense of the huge paintings will be paid out of a national appropriation, voted to advertise the natural scenery to advertise the natural scenery of the United States.

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