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CRIME AND PUNISHMENT.

It is the first law of Nature that any violation of her laws must be punished, and she is inexorable in executing this law. Man, in his weak way, has patterned after this example, and has provided, or attempted to provide punishment for the violation of his laws. He has provided penalties, not always adequate, for these cases in which it seems impossible to make the punishment fit the crime. For instance, man has decreed that for the crime of murder the penalty of death shall be inflicted, here in Oregon by hanging, in some other states by other methods, but the penalty in all is death. Now, admitting that the death penalty is justified where a man commits a murder, how can a man be punished for committing a second or a third murder? It will readily be admitted that a man who murders a mother and her four children, for instance, commits a more heinous crime than he who murders, say, but one of the children. Yet, if for this last named crime he should hang, how are you going to punish him for the other murders? There was a time under the laws of our English forefathers that many crimes were punished with death. Stealing sheep was one, but that was before the days of tariff on wool—which now protects the sheep owner if not the sheep—and there were innumerable others.

There are some crimes worse even than murder. When some big brute, horribly diseased, outrages some girl, still a child, is it not worse, more heinous than the snuffing out of life itself? Why not then extend the list of crimes punishable with death, if that punishment will prevent or tend to prevent crime?

For thousands of years, so far back as history or legend goes, mankind has decreed death to the murderer, but has murder been stopped or diminished? The Oregonian yesterday, speaking of capital punishment, editorially said: "It is better to have the law respected and protect society in the only way it can be protected, or can protect itself." Does it make the law respected, or does it stop the crime of murder to hang a man? It stops that particular person from doing further murder, that is true, but does it serve to prevent others? That is very doubtful, and certainly far from proven.

The writer is not opposed to capital punishment in some cases, for there are fiends in the form of men—to whom society owes nothing—and the more quickly they are removed from the world the better, for they are social mad dogs, but there are other cases, murder cases, too, where it would seem that the punishment of life imprisonment, with no hope or chance of pardon, would be greater than that of death.

Punishment is provided for one of two reasons, either as a deterrent to crime through the fear of punishment, or for the reformation of the one punished—and in case of the death penalty it surely is not for the latter—it must be inflicted then for its deterrent qualities, and in this line history and experience shows it to be an utter failure. Watch the Oregonian's news pages, for instance, and notice how many murders are committed in Oregon and on the coast, within the week following the quadruple laughing that took place here yesterday, and of which the whole country took general notice. See how much of a deterrent this has been, and see how many less than the average number of murders have been committed in that time.

Outlets of stopping the man who is hanged from committing other mur-

ders, capital punishment is surely not a deterrent. Let us then, frankly, admit that we hang men just to put them where they can do no further harm, and cease patting ourselves on the back and throwing bouquets at ourselves "because we are protecting society and deterring others from crime."

The Globe-Democrat, published in St. Louis, travels under false colors, in the last part of its title at least. To use the expression of the Honorable Patrick Doran, in a speech in the Nevada legislature, against the election of the late James Fair to the United States senate, when some one had said of Fair that he was conservative in his politics: "Conservative!" shouted Doran, "conservative! I tell you, gentlemen, he is blacker than the hinges of hell—painted with coal tar."

Statistics show that the cost of going to college has increased from 25 to 50 per cent during the past 10 years. Pretty soon some of those wise statisticians will be showing how much more it costs to raise a man holding four acres, than it did a few years ago.

If Helly Green had turned her critical and unfeminine eye on the late Fall styles she never would advise the women to wear simpler costumes. Our good old Mother Eve and the Fiji Island ladies are about the only ones who ever wore costumes fitting them any more snugly than do the present clinging styles of our own dear little girls.

When a man fails to retard the coming of Christmas with joy, it is a sign he is getting old, has a big family to buy for, is shy of money, has an extravagant wife, is a tightwad—or some other foolish reason.

WANTS MORE MONEY FOR THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

President J. H. Ackerman, of the Oregon Normal school, has written to members of the state board to ascertain their opinion in the matter of asking the legislature to appropriate for certain improvements at the institution at Monmouth.

The letter explains that the one-twenty-fifth of a mill tax is not sufficient for the needs of the school. The need of a gymnasium, domestic science and manual training rooms, additional land, cement walks, improvement of grounds and the equipping of the new dormitory is mentioned in the letter.

A sum of \$50,000 has been expended for a central heating plant. The appropriations needed, and on which the opinions of the members of the board are sought, are the following: Additional land, \$5,000; improvement of grounds, \$15,000; equipping new dormitory, \$8,500; total, \$15,000.

School Board Meeting. In a report submitted to the members of the school board last night by Enumerator Lee Atchison, it is shown there are 4535 children of school age in the city of Salem, 2312 girls and 2223 boys. A decrease of sixteen is shown from the enumeration of last year, which indicates an error either in this or last year's census, as Salem is growing rapidly. The report will be submitted to County Superintendent Smith, it having been accepted by the board. With the exception of working on the budget, the board did not pass on any other matters last night.

Evidence of personal identification—of a stranger, supposed to have been seen but once—is also to be received with caution.

Comments Heard on the Street

GENERAL OPINION IS THAT GOVERNOR WEST DID THE ONLY THING HE COULD—LET THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE PREVAIL

Governor West's course in commuting to life imprisonment the sentence of Taylor, and permitting the execution of the other four men yesterday, brought forth many comments on the street which were overheard by The Journal reporter. Here are a few of them:

"In my opinion, Governor West went the limit and a great deal farther than any one man out of a thousand would dare, when he stayed the execution of those five men in order that the people could render a decision."

"Governor West exercised very liberal executive clemency by giving those fellows a good long chance."

"After going the limit in exercising executive clemency by saving five lives as long as he possible could, it seems to me the governor was subjected to no small amount of abuse by those who opposed the hangings."

"Which is the most aggravating to the people, opposing Governor West's action in this matter—delaying the execution a few months by exercising executive clemency, or staying the hangman for two or three years in order that the courts can grind?"

"It would be interesting to learn just what those opposing capital punishment would do in the event the legislature took the same action as did the people next month. Would they mob the members, now that such a stir has been created?"

"Wonder if the opposition to capital punishment would rather have the governor leave the matter to the legislature? Probably they would have another state official or two to kick?"

"Governor West has been subject to more abuse, pleadings and threats than any governor ever serving the state of Oregon, in my opinion. Every case proved about the same. Webb, Morris, Taylor, Hanning and probably a score of others brought with them a peck of trouble for the governor."

"The people said hang. The governor did right in giving them what they wanted. So what's the use to argue?"

"Supposing the governor had refused to abide by the election regarding capital punishment. There would have probably been some merry times in several small towns where the men were convicted."

"They say capital punishment will not eliminate crime. I notice it does in four cases, at least."

"The people of California raised a big row because Governor West obeyed the people of Oregon yesterday. Those Californians had better look to home a little, I think. Their feet are not so spoolish when it comes to being barbarous in executing justice."

"Several officials in California roasted West for inaugurating his 'honor system.' Now they give him fits because he refused executive clemency. Probably they had better come up here and try a hand at satisfying the public."

"West gave those men a chance. The people of Oregon did not agree with him. He is simply the agent and representative of the people, and he obeyed the recently expressed command, the only thing he could do, and that's all there is to it."

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The Christmas Dinner. In spite of the fact that the word dyspepsia means literally bad cook, it will not be fair for many to lay the blame on the cook if they begin the Christmas dinner with little appetite and end it with distress or nausea. It may not be fair for any to do that—let us hope so far the sake of the cook! The disease dyspepsia indicates a bad stomach, that is a weak stomach, rather than a bad cook, and for a weak stomach there is nothing else equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla. It gives the stomach vigor and tone, cures dyspepsia, creates appetite and makes eating the pleasure it should be.

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CHURCH SERVICES

First Presbyterian. Church street, near Chemeketa, Henry T. Babcock, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m.; morning service at 11, preaching by Dr. F. H. Geselbracht, of Albany. Music: Quartet, "Jerusalem." Parker-Shepherd, soprano solo by Mrs. Morrison Reid. Evening service at 7:30 p. m., preaching by Dr. F. H. Geselbracht, of Albany. Music: Quartet, "Father in Heaven." Meredith. Bass solo by Mr. Walsh. C. E. prayer meeting at 6:30. Mid-week prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m. St. Paul's.

Chemeketa and Church streets, Rev. Parr G. Lee, rector. Third Sunday in Advent. Holy communion, 7:20 a. m. Sunday school, 10 a. m.; morning prayer with sermon, 11 a. m. No evening service. Subject for morning sermon, "The Stewardship of the Sacred Ministry." The public is welcome at all services.

First Methodist Episcopal. Corner Church and State streets, Dr. R. N. Avison, minister. 10:15 a. m., morning prayer; 10:30 a. m., sermon: "Christ the Reason of the Universe." 7:30 p. m., an elaborate program of Christian music by the choir. 12 m., class meetings; 12 m., Sunday school; 2:30 p. m., The Rev. Sam Small, the noted southern orator will deliver his famous lecture on "His Majesty, the Devil" in this church; 3 p. m., Rev. Dr. Edwin Sherwood will speak at the Old People's home; 3 p. m., Fred M. Chil will talk to the University Y. M. C. A. on "The New Educational System of China." 6:15 p. m., Epworth League, subject for discussion "Strength of Certainty in Belief." Mr. Errol Gilkey will lead. The meeting will be dismissed promptly at 7:10 in order that the Epworthians may secure seats for the choir concert. 6:15 p. m., Intermediate League; topic, "Joseph a Hero Servant in Egypt." Leader, Lloyd Lee. A Christmas program will be rendered by the league in the Sunday school room, Dec. 22 at 5 p. m. Parents and friends are very cordially invited.

First Congregational. Corner of Liberty and Center streets Perry Frederick Schrock, minister. Bible school at 10 a. m. Young People's meeting at the same hour. Morning worship at 11 a. m. Subject: "The Wise Men of the West." Evening worship at 7:30 p. m. Dr. James H. Fairchild will be the speaker of the evening. Topic of address: "Some Things We All Ought to Know."

Church Notice. Unity church (Unitarian) corner Cottage and Chemeketa streets. Services at 11 a. m. Rev. Lewis G. Wilson, of Boston, secretary of the American Unitarian association, will speak. Sunday school at 10 a. m. No evening service.

Reformed Church. Corner Capitol and Marion streets. W. G. Lienkaemper, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning worship in German at 11 o'clock. Subject: "The Ministry of John the Baptist." Evening service in English at 7:30. Subject: "The True Estimate of Values."

Jason Lee Methodist Episcopal. James H. Irvine, pastor. Bible school at 10 a. m. Sermon at 11 a. m. Subject: "The Law of the Sabbath—Is It Still Binding or Has It Been Abrogated?" Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Class meeting at 7 p. m. Sermon at 7:30 p. m. "Seeing God—the Cure for Hero Worship." The Irvine male quartet will sing at the evening service.

United Evangelical. Cottage street, near Centrr; G. L. Lovell, pastor—Divine worship and preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday school at 10 a. m.; Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m. W. A. Baker, leader; prayer meeting at 8 o'clock on Thursday evening.

East State Street Lutheran Church. Rev. P. H. Schmidt, pastor—Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; sermon, 10 a. m.; English services, 7:30 p. m. every first and third Sunday of month. Everybody invited to attend.

German Baptist Church. Corner North Cottage and D streets, G. Schunke, pastor—Sunday services, 10 a. m., Sunday school; 11 a. m., preaching service; 7 p. m., young people's meeting; 7:30 p. m., preaching service; Wednesday, 7:45 p. m., prayer

Blood Humors

Commonly cause pimples, boils, hives, eczema or salt rheum, or some other form of eruption; but sometimes they exist in the system, indicated by feelings of weakness, languor, loss of appetite, or general debility, without causing any breaking out. They are expelled and the whole system is renovated, strengthened and toned by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Corner Highland avenue and Elm street, N. Blanche Ford, pastor—Sunday school, 10 a. m.; meeting, 3 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. E., 7 p. m.; evening service, 8 p. m.; prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 p. m.; prayer meeting in South Salem, Wednesday, 8 p. m. All are cordially invited.

Call for Bids. Notice is hereby given that the common council of the city of Salem, Oregon, invites sealed bids for the making of an improvement of Rural avenue in the city of Salem, Oregon, from the east line of Commercial street to the west line of Twelfth street with crushed rock concrete pavement, gravel concrete pavement or crushed rock macadam pavement in accordance with the plans, specifications and estimates on file in the office of the city recorder of said city, which are hereby referred to and made a part of this notice.

Said bids will be opened on or after the 15th day of December, 1912, at or about 7:30 o'clock p. m. in open council meeting in the city hall in Salem, Oregon. Each bid submitted must be accompanied by a certified check equal in amount to ten per cent of the amount of the bid. The city reserves the right to reject any and all bids. This notice is published for five successive days in a daily newspaper published in the city of Salem, Oregon, the date of first publication being December 11, 1912.

CHAS. P. ELGIN, City Recorder.

12-11-51.

Got Their Medals.

Members of Company M. O. N. G. were recipients this week of medals for pistol shooting in 1911. The badges are of bronze and are distributed by the government as awards for pistol marksmanship. Those receiving the prizes are Lieutenant Roy Neer First Sergeant W. G. Pearmine, Sergeants Judson Reizelman, Maynard, Hiekoxy, and Corporal Elspass. First Lieutenant Max Gehlar was also a winner.

Two Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday afternoon to Hans Jensen, of Silverton, aged 32, and Anna M. Moe, of Silverton, aged 23; Russell O. Higginbotham of Aurora, aged 24, and Elizabeth Chapman, of Woodburn, aged 21.

THE LOCAL TEAM DEFEATED PORTLAND

By a score of 15 to 12 the business men's indoor baseball team of the Salem Y. M. C. A. last night defeated the business men's team from the Portland Y. M. C. A. The game was exciting, but not brilliant with sensational playing. Both batteries did good work, safe hits being numerous. The teams lined up as follows: Salem—Gabrielson, c; Anderson, p; Baker, 1b; Reinhart, 2b; Schramm, 3b; Hull, ss; Prine, ss; Dyer, lf; Roth, rf.

Portland—Cunningham, c; Backus, p; Schute, 1b; Streng, 2b; Benedict, 3b; Jaeger, ss; Mills, ss; Fleming, lf; Brewer, rf.

SMUGGLED COCAINE IN FROM CANADA

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] San Francisco, Dec. 14.—United States customs officers are investigating today a report contained in a letter to Deputy Surveyor Charles A. Stephens that cocaine valued at \$12,000 was smuggled into California from Canada. The letter stated that the drug could be located at an address in this city. Several suspects are under arrest. It is believed they landed the cocaine at Portland, Ore., and later brought it here.

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