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Tinkham's InquiryReminds That Custom Is Stronger
Than Constitutional Rules or Statutory Enaciments From the Cedar Rapids Gazette
 stitution makes negroes citizens of the
United Statases and provides that representa-
tion shall be reduced in proportion to ex-
isting disfranchisement in any state. The Fifteenth amendment prehibits discrimination against eitizens in bestowal of suffrage
rights beeause of race, color or previous condition of servitude. As every one eknows, the south has
conding
through use of intimidation and various
 spirit and intent of both amendinents.
Representative tinkham, a zealous wet,
seeks to emberrass Mr. Hoverer by calling seeks to embarrass Mr. Hoover by calling
this well known situation to the president's attention and demanding enforcement of
the flouted amendments. To elinch his dethe flouted amendments. To elinch his de
mand, Mr. Tinklam quotes an excerpt from he inaugural address: crumber whoter its istem of of government will
they will enforee or citizens what taws
thecet what laws they will enforee or citizens elect what laws
they will support." Mr. Tinkham is making the point, of
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Hoover under his oath, is course, that Mr. Hoover, under his oath, is
obligated to enforee the Fourteenth and
Fiftenth as well as the Eishteenth. No en. Fiftenth as well as the Eighteenth. No en-
forcement aets are in effect for the Fourteenth and Fifteenth amendments, however,
and public sentiment does not demand an attempt at enforcement. . Immediately after the Civil war the quite literally enforece. Federal troops
were quartered in the south and voted under the protection of bayonets. resultent of of the "carpet bag", regime. The
rem are amendments had been adopted during war
hysteria and as the nation settled hysteria and as the nation settled into a
normal frame of mind it became generally normal frame of mind it became generally
recognized that a people just emerging
frem from servitude was not qualified to be self.
governing. The last effort to pass legislagoverning. The last eerrort to pass
tion under the Fourta-
amendments
and amendments was made in 1899 when the
Lodge "force bill," was defeated. The cus-
tom of the south was vietorious over the

Custom is always stronger than mere
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legislative inactunents
legislative act strould represent the erstal-
lization of ancient habit and custom. Where
this is true few, if any, laws are evaded and
flouted. In a nation like the United States fouted. In a a ation like the cuited states
with its written constitution eare should be taken never to adopt constitutional amendments which are legislative in character. A
constitution should contain general principles only becanse custon is perpetually in a state of flux. Tiss is instrated by hiftentli amendof the Fourteenth and
ments which were in harmony with domi-
in nant national sentiment in, mediately after
the Civil war but which now are not. the Civil war wlt which hoverer are not en
Aceordingly, Mr. Hoover was not tirely correct when he said that our sys. $_{\text {sy }}$. tem of government will crumble either in
officials elect what laws they will enforce or citizens elect what laws they will sup-
port." From the very beginning of government in this country eitizens and officials have been doing just that. Citizens
elected not to support the law taxing tea and the revolution ensued. Citizans refused to support laws imprisoning debtors and
these laws became a dead lietter and finally vere repealed. The fugitive slave law met blue laws have been silently nullified. Citizens are constantly electing what laws they will suport and officers are guided by
public pressure in electing what laws to enpublie pressure in electing what laws to en
force. The laws of custom are always live
laws and are really those which any offilaws and are really those which any orfi-
cial pledges himself to enforee. The Eighteenth amendment is still vital because it hass a strong publie sentiment behind it.
For that reasou Mr. Hoover is justified in doing his best to achieve its enforcement. By the same orkiken he is not oblifated to en-
force the Fourtenth and Fiftenth amendnents which lack vitality. It is possibl that the Eightenth amendment may join the
Fourteenth and Fifteenth amendiments as Fourteentin hand onteenth amentiments as
dead branches on a living tree. That is yet dead branches on
to be determined.





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send out uttras-short waves of a length less than three metres.
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whtch pass across this field drop dead Mice are killed in a few seconds, Rats
are edead within three to tive minutes.
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apparatus we shall be in a position. without in any way injuring the tis.
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GREAT DISCOVERY KiLLS RATS AHD MICE, BUT ROTHING ELSE


