

HISTORY OF A BOY'S DOWNFALL.

Told By His Mother.

GAMBLER AND DRUNK.

But he grew worse than ever, and after a while, he couldn't get any work and wouldn't do anything but gamble and drink all the time. I used to do every thing I could to get him to quit and be a good, industrious boy again, but he used to get mad after a while and once he struck me, and then in the morning I found he had taken what little money there was left on the farm and had ran off. After that time I got along as well as I could, clean in house for folks and washin', but I didn't hear nothing of him for four or five years; but when he got arrested and was up to Osh kosh for trial he writ to me. By this time there was not a dry eye in the car, and the cards had disappeared. The lady herself was weeping silently, and speaking in snatches. But recovering herself she went on:

HOME SOLD TO PAY THE LAWYER.

"But what could I do? I sold the house and lot to get money to hire a lawyer, and I believe he is here somewhere," looking around. "Oh yes, there he is, Mr. —," pointing to Lawyer —, who had not taken part in the play. "And this is the man, I am sure, who argued agin him," pointing to Mr. —, the district attorney. "And you Judge —, sent him to prison for ten years; 'spose it was right, for the poor boy told me that he really did rob the bank, but he must have been drunk, for they had all been playing' keards most all the night and drinkin'."

THE EXAMPLE OF OTHERS.

"But oh, dear! It seems to me kinder as though if he hadn't got to playin' keards he might have been alive yet. But when I used to tell him it was wrong and bad to play, he would say, 'Why mother, everybody plays now. I never bet only for the candy, or the cigars, or something like that. And when we heard that the young folks played keards down to Mr. Culver's donation party, and that Squire Ring was goin' to get a billiard table for the young folks to play on at home, I couldn't do nothin' with him. We used to think it was awful to do that way, when I was young, but it just seems to me as if everybody now-a-days was a goin' wrong into something or other. But maybe it isn't right for me to talk to you, Judge, in this way, but it just seems to me as if the very sight of them keards would kill me July 13; I thot' if you knew how I felt, you would not play on so; and then to think, right here before all these folks! Maybe,

Judge, you don't how young folks, especially boys, look up to such as you; and then I can't help thinking that may be if them that ought to know better than to do so, and them as are higher learnt and all that, wouldn't set sich examples, my poor Tom would be alive and caring for his mother; but now there ain't any of my family left but me and my poor gran'chile, my dater's little girl, and I we are going to stop with my brother in Illinois.

THE STRONG SHOULD NOT RUIN THE WEAK BY THEIR EXAMPLE.

Tongue of man or angel never preached a more eloquent sermon than that gray, withered old lady, trembling with old age, excitement and fear that she was doing wrong I can't recall half she said, as she, a poor lone, beggard widow, stood before those noble looking men, and pleaded the cause of the rising generation.

The look they bore as she poured forth his sorrowful tale was indescribable. To say that they looked like criminals at the bar would be a faint description. I can imagine how they felt. The old lady tottered to her seat, and taking her little grandchild in her lap, hid her face on her neck. The little one stroked her gray hair and said: "Do not cry, granmam; don't cry granmam." Eyes unused to weeping were red for many a mile on that journey. And I can hardly believe that one who witnessed that scene ever touched a card again. It is but just to say, that when the passengers came to themselves they generously responded to the judge, who, hat in hand, silently passed through the little audience. — Gospel Message.

Electric Lamps on Horses.

Electric lamps on the bodies of carriage horses are now quite common in Berlin. The current is supplied by a storage battery under the carriage seat.

Child Labor in Saxony.

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Hint' Precot.

"You must not imagine," she said "that I would be willing to sit here alone with you if you were not so big and strong, and able to pick me up in your arms as if I were a mere child in case anything happened." Then because nothing happened she told her friends that he was dull-kitted and probably had a soul like a withered lemon. — Chicago Record-Herald.

See a Croup of Tornadoes.

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Two Brother Giants.

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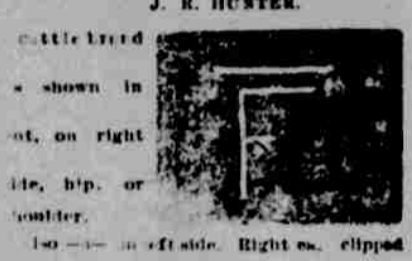
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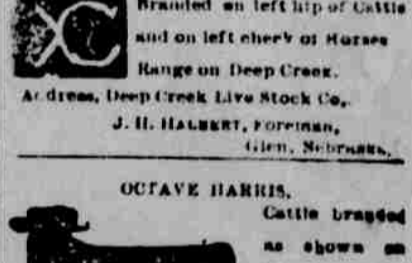
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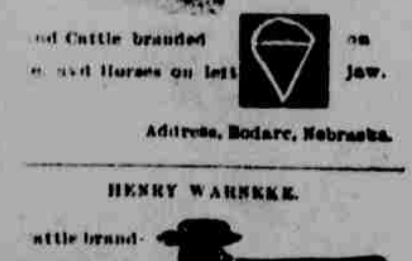
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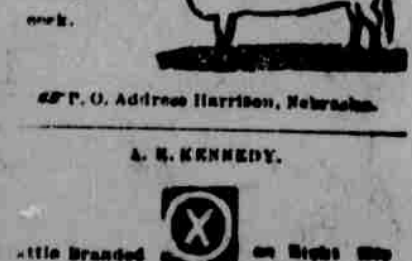
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