

HIGHEST FORM OF JUSTICE.



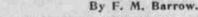
Is if true that an exact and rigid enforcement of the law is the most desirable function of human tribunals-In other words, is it the highest form of human justice? And is it true that the loftlest conception which can be formed of a judge is that of one who, in the discharge of his office, looks at the law as it is written as his sole guide, and to its unbending enforcement as his sole duty? The most perfect conception of a magistrate is that of a just judge, not of a learned judge-one who, knowing the law, also knows that its administration must subserve, not

By Deiphin M. Delmas.

thwart, the purposes of justice. Spon what does the fame of Lord Mansfield rest if not upon the fact that his genius liberated the administration of justice from the shackles in which the unbending rules of the common law and the narrow conservatism of common law judges held it in thrall? And is not the same true of the great judges of our own country?

One of the most eminent of judges, lawyers and lawwriters whom this age has produced-one who still lives to enjoy in the ripeness of his years the fruit of a long and illustrious career-has left as the recorded result of his long experience on the bench and at the bar these memorable words; "I always felt in the exercise of the judicial office irresistibly drawn to the intrinsic justice of the case, with the inclination, if possible the determination, to rest the judgment upon the very right of the matter. In the practice of the profession I have always felt an abiding confidence that, if my case is morally right, it will succeed

CIVILIZATION REACHES DANGER POINT.



European and American civilization is now in a precarious state, and seems to have reached its zenith. The physical prowess and the intellectual force of man have carried it so far; and now it is subjected to a deadly materialism, chiefly owing to the relative degradation and servitude of women.

In the old times, when politics chiefly referred to carrying fire and sword into some neighbor's territory, women had little influence, and no responsibility. But in a modern world, where politics chiefly concerns the rights and wrongs of our fellow citizens, surely women should be made responsible equally with men. Consider the all-important matters now engrossing public attention. About all these questions women's public opinion might be healthier than that of men. So many of them know exactly where the shoe pinches.

While the social state required the subordination of women within the family the highest law justified it, as It did formerly that of slavery. But when the need passed, the justification also passed. And, unless we wish to remain in an arrested stage of civilization, and, therefore, a decadent one, we must take the step that

progress demands-namely : grant woman the full exercise of all her faculties equally with man, and make her equally responsible

INDICTMENT OF THE SCHOOLS.

By Samuel P. Orth. First, the pupil does not gain real knowledge. He studies about things in an indefinite sort of way, but never learns the solid facts. The whole system, from the happy kindergarten to the mimic-college high school, is permeated with the haze of indefiniteness. Secoudly, we are told that the pupil does not even learn to use his mind. The school is an enslaver of memory instead of an emancipator of reasoning. Originality is tabooed, and servility demanded. The curse of the lawyer, the search for precedent, is written on the brow of pedagogy. Logic and reason are not encouraged. And, thirdly, the results of our schools are not practical. This is heard on every hand. The schools do not fit for bread-and-butter earning, they make a boy or girl unfit for the hard tasks of life. A fourth count in the indictment is sometimes added by the moralist, who claims that the moral traits of the child are hardly awakened, and that the boys and girls, especially those who break the ranks before the eighth grade is reached, are entirely unfit to meet the severe domands that the temptations of life make uponthem .- The Atlantic

CHANGE IN FAMILY LIFE PREDESTINED. By Ada May Krecker.

Ages and eons and millions of years pass as leisurely by in consummation of the changes. but however slowly, stupendous revolutions are surely wrought. Old Mother Earth persists, but she dresses differently and behaves differently, harmonious with the alterations in her age. Likewise all her children, mineral vegetable, human and superhuman. And the family of the present passes into the family of the future. The race is growing as it has grown in the past. And as it grows it is bound to need new conditions, new habits, new environments. It is predestined by its growth to expand beyond to-day's institutions, as a child outgrows its clothes, as a seedling bursts from the stifling ground.

Changes are forcordained in the fact of evolution. The radicals see and promote them. "." .hem, hasten them, The conservatives are blind as thoughde them. But the changes come. Welcome or not, they occur censelessly. The patriarchs, the proudest and noblest and lovellest of them perhaps, would have stood aghast at the thought of the twentleth century husband tollsomely earning money for his lady wife to get gowns and culture and travel with. They would have deemed family and society morally fated were wife to be free, were homes to be partnerships. Yet twentleth century husbands vastly prefer contemporary wives and women and homes and CIRCUS CHILDREN.

The Making of Acrobata Begins at an Early Age.

It is nothing unusual for the larger circuses to carry thirty and forty children, ranging all the way from mere bables to boys and girls of to and 16 years of age. The majority are traveling with their parents, both the father and mother doing daily duty in the ring, and while often they are trained to follow in the steps of their elders. they are seldom allowed to perform in

It is a common bellef among cincus toen that the performer whose training is not started until after the age of C will seldom make a distinctive record. Following the afternoon show I often saw groups of boys, some of whom could not have been over 4 and 5 years old, practicing rudimentary somersaults and hand springs, while their parents looked on with a gratifiel suile. These were the families of the circus aristocracy, who treasure the records of their ancestors with the pride of a son in his father's sword and who see no more inspiring calling for their own children than that of the great white canvas.

Not that their education is neglected in other respects. Several of the families often hire an instructor-perhaps one of the performers who has the time and ability for such work-to coach their children in the standard studies. One circus has a traveling school for the youngsters. If they are to be acrobats, they are to be educated acrobats. -Bohemian Magazine,

SHORT METER SERMONS.

mmm Social Distinctions.

Making social distinctions is setting aside that for which the church really stands-brotherliness.-Rev. G. Woodvine, Baptist, Utica, N. Y.

Transition.

Transition now is equally as great as in the time of Christ. At all times there are transitional periods .- Rev. D. A. Petty, Congregationalist, Aurora, TIL.

Amusements.

All wholesome amusement are needed, but instead of trying to abolish them the church should seek to purify and upilft them .- Rev. A. E. Bartlett, Baptist, Chicago.

Developing Virtues.

Character is developed by hardship, Strengti:, fortitude and reliability are developed by being exposed. Blessed is the man that endureth.-Rev. A. B. Meldrum, Presbyterian, Cleveland,

Seeing One's Faults.

The Individual who sees his faults, turns face about and starts out in another direction is sure to be more use ful each succeeding year,-Rev. L. C. Bentley, Methodist Episcopalian, Indianapolis.

Strength of Religion. R digion has a hold so strong that no argument has been able to effect a dishelief in the Creator, the Infinite Power that makes for righteousness .--Rev. Dr. J. Schurman, Congregational-



THE BULLYING OF WITNESSES.

WITNESS should be made to understand at mee upon taking the stand what is expected of him, and to submit graciously and patiently to any kind of examination short of physical attack which lawyers may make. Suppose an attorney snarls, snaps and growls at the witness, or sneeringly smilles

suspleion. What of it? A witness is only an unpro tected, defenseless citizen doing his duty; to be terrified or cajoled into revealing his innermost thoughts according to the way the lawyer intends him to speak them. To impugn the veracity of a witness by insinuation or veiled threats is a legitimate device for rolling him to the point of saying something which may be used to advantage against him. What! A witness to be allowed to tell a simple tale of what he had seen or heard, uninterrupted and undiamnyed? Never: Justice might be precipitated, and witnesses might retain their self-respect. Witnesses may be distressed, bullled and cowed. but legal circumlocation must be preserved and the dignity of the advocate safeguarded .--- Washington Post.

DISSOLVE THE FOO.

HE greatest menace to app sea navigation is the fog. It is a growing danger, too, for the multiplication of craft on the high seas goes on year by year. No matter what safeguards are invoked to make sure the passage of human beings and freight over the

melancholy waste of waters, danger is ever present in the deuse white vapor which settles down and shuts from view the vessels threading the trackless highway. Without modern building and equipment the Republic would have sunk in a short time after it was rammed and every passenger would have been lost. The water-tight compartments saved the lives of nearly all those on board by keeping the liner affoat thirty-nine hours after she was struck. While the wireless summoned assistance from a dozen points in a brief time the Florida was able to rescue the passengers and crew without help. But the usefulness of this invention was manifested in a way never before so impressive. The submarine bells also proved their value in locating peril nt sea

Man has accomplished much to make journeying over the oceans safe. But the fog still baffles his genius. Remove this from the pathway of the steamer and the most dangerous obstacle is a thing of the past. From the dugout to the magnificent ocean liner the condensed mist has been the terror of navigators. It is responsible for



A Bandy Sewing Chair. | articles are being cooked in the regu-For the benefit of her sisters an In- lation manner on a stove. The latest single occasion. diana woman has invented a sewing form of a fireless cooker is that of a

more disisters at sea than all other causes combined. The world's acclaim awaits the genius who can banish the fog .- Ufica Globe.

UNHEALTHY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

HE Health Commissioner of New York City states that of 275,000 pupils in the public schools his medical officers have found more than 70 per cent physically abnormal. "Unquestionably the present school system which compels children to obtain a smattering of fifty subjects and no real

knowledge of any one of them is to a certain extent responsible for these figures," he concludes. And, in addition to medical attention, he finds the remedy in "eliminating a lot of useless studies that wear out their nervous systems without improving their brains."

Troubles of the eye, nose, tonsils and teeth were found in frequency corresponding with the order given, while from 13 to 18 per cent were ansemic.

Similar conditions to those in New York prevail in the public schools of all large cities. The fact is undisputed, and some remedy will be provided after we have wasted a few years in discussion

The health of the race depends on the health of its children. Ordinary common sense would indicate that a system which compels every boy and girl to acquire more or less school training and entirely neglects any provision for health must be not only unbalanced, but criminally inefficient .--- Chicage Journal.

RARE KIND OF MEN WANTED.

LL the world wants a financier, but that does not mean that it wants an economizer. Everywhere there is a spendthrift era. That is the chief reason for the great need of a financier. Nations have been living Sell S beyond their income. But do they desire a minister of finance who will teach them to

live within it? Not at all. What they crave is a financier who will enlarge their income without taxing anybody ! Their demand is like that of Sir Henry Holland, whose doctor told him that he would get well if he dined at 4 and went to bed at 10. "Oh," said he, "I didn't come to a physician to tell me that. I want to know now I am to get well if I dine at S and go to bed at 1." Similarly, the financial expert for whom the peoples wait is one who will tell them how to have the rewards of frugality while persisting in the indulgences of extravagance.-New York Post.

****** LIONS IN THE BUSH.

Llons were not specially included in the program of Abel Chapman, he declares in his book, "On Safari," when

he first landed in British East Africa. and although, during his three months in camp in the wilderness, he heard lions calling almost every night, yet he did not see a live lion except on one

It is perhaps needless to remark that lions do not TOAT night. It would be a very foolish beast that did so. When the lion hunt was arranged and my position given me, I lost thimbles. The ning crosswise so that they will not stationed myself in the long grass space beneath the seep, soak or absorb. It has a steel about half a mile from the noisy line My Somali gun bearer, Eimi Hassan, lying beside me, pointed into the wood, saying, "See! two lions! You no see?" I cerainly did not see. For some time I could distinguish nothing moving whatever; but at last, as the lions came exactly opposite my position, where the wood was rapidly thinning out, I saw them. They were not easy to detect, so low and stealthy was their advance. At a point exactly on my front the two beasts jay down in two green bushes that grew within a dozen yards of each other beneath the last straggling trees. I beckoned to my left-hand neighbor, told him what I had seen, and arranged that he should advance from the left, while I went straight in to the lions in front. Naturally, under such circumstances one went in with every sense on full stretch, anticipating and prepared for may now be eaten without annoyance, any contingency; but on drawing nearer and nearer to those two bushes without seeing a sign of movement vised a combination corn holder within, the tension began to slacken. which not only At twenty yards' distance it seemed keeps the ear impossible that so large a beast as a from rolling off lion could be lying in so small a bush one's plate, but without my seeing it. They must, I also enables the thought have slipped away unobserved, diner to manipuand I was walking on almost carelesslate it by means is until within ten yards of the rightof a rod at either hand bush, when Elmi suddenly selzed end and avoid smearing the fingers. my arm, pointing the rifle he carried A form of corn-holder was invented into the base of the bush, and hissed, several years ago, but did not meet all "See! see! the lion! Shoot, him the requirements, as does this latest spring !"

children to the uncient. Mrs. Keepers half shut her pale blue spite of the unchanged politeness of the hostess and the sweet amiability eyes.

"Monsieur," she said softiy, "I re of the owner of the ring Mrs. Herford was suspected. She felt it, too. There quire to know. Plense do not deny my request again." was a flash in her eyes and her lips were strained. But she stayed cour-The Frenchman perceived that the

urlosity was not idle. By tacit agreement the ladies called "Madame insists? In confidence, then, a lady of your city sent it to me, no more. She was bidden to no more luncheons. She took solitary walks, by my consent, in payment of a bill-

From Time's unfailing bell. ageously till the last.

White-robed the priestly Winter stands And reads the service then; About him, with uplifted hands,

WINTER SERVICE.

Shall come the sound of twelve notes

In the hushed midnight of the year,

To him who listens well

clear

The trees breathe an Amen!

Then in the distance, soft and sweet, Celestial voilces sing. Arise, my Heart, and run to meet The choristers of Spring !



No one knew anything about the little widow. She moved into the neighborhood without so much as a "by your leave." Mrs. Clara Herford was the it gleamed an opal, quite large, the inscription on her cards. It looked color of a ripe pomegranate. strange and unconventional. But by the time the ladles had decided that such an inscription was unusual they had called-and so it was too late.

She had, fortunately or unfortunate ly, a lovely face, with red gold hair, ous?" violet eyes, a dazzling complexion and small, conspicuous, perfect teeth. It is a little suspicious for a woman to be as beautiful as that. Still, Mrs. Such things occur." Richard Henry Sands, the most exclusive woman in the neighborhood, overlooked this splendor of countenance and invited her to her first luncheon ness. It is personal," of the winter.

The conversation turned on jewels; Mrs. Keepers, a lazy-looking blonde, with a delicious accent born of temperamental indolence, exhibited a new ring. It was an opal, the color of a ripe pomegranate, set about with little diamonds. She told its history, which was rather commonplace.

"You must invent a better story than that for it," eried the widow, and, holding it up where the light would play upon its florid splendor, she devised a wild and romantic tale to suit It. The hostess, who sat next to her, led the applause.

At the conclusion of the luncheon Mrs. Keepers said as she arose;

"But I must have my ring, or I shall be leaving it. You have it, dear Mrs. Herford?

The beautiful widow shook her head. "I gave the prefty thing to Mrs. Sands," she said. "Did I not, my good hostess?"

"To me? No, you did not hand the ring to me, Mrs. Herford. Perhaps it was to the lady on the other side of you." But that lady gave a flat denial. An awkward pause came. Mrs. Keepers sulled graciously.

"You shall not wait here because of my ring." she said, with her slow smile, "It has been dropped. The servants whil find it and bring it to me."

But this gracious couriesy could not put the lost jewel out of the minds of any of the guests. The next hour was unpleasant. Every one felt that in

went alone to the matinee, sat alone a bill which had been unduly delayed in settlement." by her fire day in and day out, till a It took not a little diplomacy to in pallor began to dim the glow of that

duce the milliner to divulge the name brilliant face and the eyes acquired of the customer who had done this, a pathos new to them. Some of the but he yielded finally. women pitied her. One ventured to "It was Mrs. Richard Henry Sands," send her some flowers, but they were,

said he. unfortunately, white ones, such as are "Thank you," said Mrs. Keepers sent to the dead. When Mrs. Keepers, We will now talk of my order.' the owner of the lost ring, passed the An hour later she drove to the staold-fashioned house where the young tion of the Atlantic cable, and she sent widow lived, she made a point of lookthree messages. One was to Mrs. Sands, ing the other way. But she uttered no one was to Mrs. Herford, the widow ; word of suspicion. It was her friends the last was to her dearest friend, to who talked.

whom she gave instructions to call on Six months later Mrs. Keepers went every lady who had been at the unto Paris to find out what civilized peolucky luncheon and tell the truth. ple were doing and one of her first er-When she returned, three months rands was to her dressmaker. He prelater, Mrs. Sands had gone West for sented himself with many expressions of pleasure at again meeting a lady and might return by way of New York who appreciated the art of fine dressing.

'Madame," he said, "you are a grand was extending hospitality. She had patron. You know how to give encourbeen forgiven for the sins she did not agement to the artist." He lifted his commit and the beauty she could not hand in demonstrative gesture, and on help. Mrs. Keepers wears the opal on her large, white hand. "I wear it to remind me of a num-

"Pardon, monsieur," said the lady her of things," she said, and the relanguidly, "but I have the effrontery mark, though vague, carried to listento envy you the possession of a reers its own significance.-Pennsylvania markable jewel. Will you kindly tell Grif. me how you came by a ring so curi

Wonderful, "It came from your own country, "It was the strangest sewing party madame, and into my possession in a ever attended." way that-that relates to business. "How was that?" "We really sewed."-Houston Post. "Will you tell me the story? I have

a reason for wanting to know." Be Johnny-ou-the-spot when there is "Madame will pardon me. It is busian opportunity to be grasped, otherwise you may find it missing.



Children's Fashions in Some Instance: Will Remain the Same as Last Year.

Chief Interest.

ist, Ithnen, N. Y.

In domestic affection, in social reform, in public duty, in national and racial ideals, hopes and endeavors we have, doubtless, the chief interest of our existence.--Rev. Geo. A. Gordon, Congregationalist, Boston.

The Mystery of Life. The miraculous and the mysterious about the life of Christ are the same miracles and mesteries that are about our lives, only larger. Some day He hearts. - Rev. E. Perry, Methodist which may be kept needles, thread, sulator, and is a non-conductor of heat

Episcopalian, Milwaukee. Perils of Wealth.

Wealth has many perils. Increase of a tour. She was in Japan, it was said, strengthen covetousness; may produce widow, she had opened her doors and New Orleans.

Bribes.

tlations. Let us remember that if there pins, needles or scissors. It can also riod. were no bribe-givers there would be no be used for other purposes than as a bribe-takers. Let us not be so sure sewing chair, and will be especially that the bribe-giver does not invite the convenient for invalids or aged peobribe-taker .- Rev. J. L. Levy, Hebrew, ple.

Pittsburg. Eathusiasm.

A need in the armainent of man in of fancels have been constructed so the battle is enthusiasm. It is not that they point directly downward, only necessary to believe, but one must have the inspiration. Men do not gain fame by chance, but men do gain it by boundless enthusinsm. - Rev. D, G. Downey, Methodist, Chleago,

Moral Destiny, More and more the conviction grows that to teach men how to fulfill their moral destiny here is to fit them to fulfill it hereafter, and that to do this is to bring down the New Jerusalem from heaven to earth .- Rev. Caleb S. S. Dutton, Unitarian, Brooklyn.

Modern Tendency. Denominationalism due to fine hair-

federating for mutual help, and for a sink at an angle, and is deflected on common work. - Rev. Eric L. Lindh, to the back and bottom, practically Congregationalist, Providence,

Moral Education.

Children should, as far as possible, able in all cases is very questionable every day breathe achealthy religious atmosphere in their schools, where not only their minds are enlightened, but where the seeds of faith, plety and plished entirely without wires, and fire ound morality are nourished and in- less cookery is not arrived at without rigorated .-- Cardinal Gibbora, Roman intholic, Baltimore.

What Counts in a Story, As I heard a famous raconteur telling a story I had heard in one form or another for many years, I could not but recall the statement of some one to the effect that there are but five stories extant and that all we have are merely variations from the original five. As General Taylor, who is something of a story teller himself, puts it, "The story doesn't amount to anything fi's the edition that counts."-Boston Herald.

Modesty is all right in women, but in men it savors of hypocrisy.

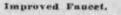
hair that will save kee as shown herewith much jumping up and down to look of the cooker is made in the same manfor mislaid articles ner as the best liquor kegs of quarand searching for tered white oak, with the grain runseat of the chair is lid or top which is fastened securely of beaters.

built in, and one by a single turn of the eccentric side of the box-like knuckle. The cooking receptacle is structure is on arranged to rest on a steel rim, so hinges and opens that the can does not come in conlike a door. Fasten- tact with the jacket, thus leaving a SEWING CHAIR, ed to this door are vacuum chamber between the outer will conquer all lands, and rule in all arms which support two baskets, in and inner wall. This affords an in-

scissors, etc., and materials that may or cold. be needed for the work in hand. Only The cooking in an apparatus of this women who do much sewing can ap kind is done by schedule. The cook wealth creates a popular desire to be- preciate how much time and trouble knows which viands require the longcome rich; and this desire may will be saved by this simpe device est treatment, and these are subjected which keeps everything in one place to the heat of the gas burner or stove money madness with all its attendant and within easy reach. The chair for a slightly longer period than othin a year or two. As for the beautiful evil.—Rev. W. M. Taylor, Christian, widow, she had opened her doors and New Orleans. themselves to the owner's mind, such from the cooker, although no harm is Let us learn to make moral differen- as strips or loops on the side to hold done by leaving them in a longer pe-

Corn Cob Loses Terror.

Through the ingenuity of a New York restaurant man, corn on the cob This man has de-



From time immemorial the spigots being at right angles to the sink or

> other receptacle above which they are placed. Naturally, water from such faucets will

type, and fell into disuse. The holder described in the cut consists of a trough a little longer and wider than an ear of corn and with slots in its end walls. Two rods, with knobs with which to hold them, are thrust into the ends of the cob. When eating the corn the cob can be held by these handles, and when the ear is laid down it can be placed in the trough without fear that it will roll off the none splashing to the front or sides. plate and leave a track of salted but-Whether this fancet would be serviceter on the hostess' snowy linen.

New Tool for Barbers.

CORN HOLDER.

Barbers will be interested in the new Cooking In a Keg. Wireless telegraphy is not accomimplements designed by a Canadian Inventor to provide an easier method of

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fire. The advantage of the latter system of cookery is that a little fire goes a great way in that the operation of cooking having been started in the regulation manner, either on a coal or

COMBAND RAZOR. of first dressing the FIRELESS COOKER gas stove, it is continued through the entire process to hair with a comb and then cutting the end in the improved cooker it, as is now done, the dressing and without the further use of fire, cutting is accomplished in the one Viands in the course of treatment are operation. By drawing the device in a pigeon hole," declared the stern thoroughly cooked without the least through the hair the latter is parted editor. "That is, unless you can prodanger of burning and demand no by the teeth of the comb, the razor cut- duce your poetic license."-Louisville watchful care as is required when the ting it off at the proper length.

Once more I must admit that I could see nothing. Strain my eyes as I would, I could distinguish nothing. Yet Elmi was so positive that I decided, perhaps rather recklessly, to fire.

There was no mistaking the response a growl more savage than ever I had heard in my life before. I saw, through the smoke from the Paradox, the electrie convulsion with which the heast pulled itself together for a spring. That movement disclosed the position of the head and shoulder, and before there was any time for mischlef, I sent the

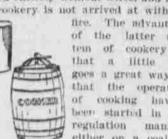
second bullet, and the beast dropped dead While rushing forward to examine

trimming and dressthe heast, and in the excitement forgeting men's hair, which ting the second lion, I was promptly is shown in the act remitted by shouts and two rapidly companying Hastra- fired shots in that direction.

tion. In form it is Turning, I was just in time to see this second beast bound out from the a combined ragor and comb. In the thick covert. I remember seeing her latter is a longitud- white toeth as she commenced a growi. hal slot. In which She was only twenty yards away, but the blade of the that movement was her last. A Pararazor rests. Instead lox bullet on the shoulder dropped her.

Before the Bar.

"I have here some vagrant verse," "All vagrant verse gets thirty days Courier-Journal.



drop in a direct vertical line, Accord ing to a Connecticut Inventor, this princi-

NEW FAUCET.

vertical spigot be very great, the wasplitting is no longer right. Agreement ter is sure to splash over the sides of on essentials and co-operative work the sink. This objection is overcome and even organic union are in the with the improved spigot shown here. minds of men to-day. The church is The discharge of water strikes the

ple is all wrong. His theory is that the spigot should point inwardly. If the flow of water from the ordinary