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HEREDITARY PAUPERISM.

A very careful investigation has been recently made in England with a view to determining by scientific inquiry how far pauperism might be dealt with as a transmissible and hereditary evil. The investigation goes to show that pauperism tends to recur in successive generations of the same family, says the Philadelphia Record. It is propagated in large degree by free unions among unmarried persons of moral feebleness and consequent illegitimacy, as shown by backward examination of pedigree. Paupers appear to prefer pauper al-Hances. The resulting inbreeding tends to the perpetuation of degenerates. Much, of course, may be due to environment as a consequence of herding paupers together in poorhouses or workhouses provided at the public expense, but if heredity be a dominating factor in producing and reproducing through succeeding generations a definite pauper stock, with a native incapacity to live in any other way except as social parasites, the laws should be shaped so far as possible to bring about a means of prevention. There should be sex separation in so far as such a rule could be enforced by state authority. We take great pains to secure the propaganda of healthy and superior breeds of domestic animals. There seems to be no sound reason for a failure to protect ourselves as far as we may against the deterioration of the human stock.

An interesting experiment is to be tried by the Swedish railways administration of running third-class sleeping cars. The first of the cars will be run between Stockholm and Malmoe, says the London Globe. At each end of the saloon are dressing tables, etc., with hot and cold water. There will be nine compartments, seven of these will have six beds. By day each compartment furnishes eight sitting places. The other compartments are for four persons by day and three by night. These are reserved for ladies. The cost of this sleeping accommodation will be only 3s, above the ordinary ticket. If the experiment is well received the plan will be extended. The experiment is not new, for we believe third-class sleeping cars have been run on the State railways in Finland for at least twenty years.

The fable about the fountain of youth in Florida in which Ponce de a matter of general knowledge." still is belief in the practical value of the middle ages, and that, as a re- the order named. the famous spring. At least a promoter has secured an option on 60,000 acres of land in the vicinity, with the idea of establishing a colony of Pittsburg millionaires, the spring being used to generate electricity for power. and light for the benefit of the wealthy settlers. This is a diversion of purpose of which the great Spanish explorer never dreamed.

A man in New York, intent on sulcide, threw himself in front of a street car, and then tried to have an automobile run him over without success. If he had been enjoying life to the full and anxious to postpone death as long as possible, he would have been R ENO, NEV.—One of Nevada's chief industries—the granting of difull and anxious to postpone death as finished accidentally by a casual authe sarcusm of fate.

Forestry is one of the recognized professions. There are 80 students now in the Yale school of forestry, and this is but one of the agencies at work for turning out experts. Mrs. Harriman's gift of \$100,000 to endow a chair in the Yale school is but the first of many gifts that are sure to the divorce colony, all of them good ing with the divorce laws. The hotel come to advance instruction in forestry,

The latest estimates of the world's fron ore supplies fix the date of the exhaustion of such resources at about 200 years from now. By that timebut what's the use?

Besides a voice a prima donna almost always owns a dog or a temperament or something of that sort, and generally it is available for use at a moment's notice.

A Louisiana judge, in fining a man \$500 for kissing a widow, told him he ought to have known b tter. And now the widow is wondering what he meant

Judging from the reports from France, Paris is on the Seine 11 months out of 12, and in it the rest of the time.

The Spanish olive crop is a failure this year. There's nothing to keep Spain from shipping labels to California, though.

Some scientists believe that primitive man had wings. If they're right "The Descent of Man" is a fact.

City Items in Terse Form

Metropolitan News of Interest to All Readers

Rube Shows Foolish Curiosity



HICAGO.-When the gentleman from the rural districts arrives in the high buildings and looks with awe strating a patent collar button. into the subway he is immediately set down as a Rube with hayseed in his hair and given the merry laugh by the wise city guy, who will then proceed down the street and stand for dow. half an hour on a curbstone to watch an automobilist inflate a punctured good quarter of an hour watching a cook browning the wheats in a restaurant window

But for absolutely pure and undihand it to the city man, for he is right poke fun at his wife for her knowledge on the subject of the neighbor's doings, but he can show more genuine interest in absolutely nothing that you can imagine, and nothing out of the ordinary run of things in city streets is too small to claim his attention.

day to watch a man sitting on the head of a fallen horse or to stare into a hardware store window where some demonstrator is busily engaged whittling on a stick of cordwood with a vazor.

He will send the shoestring vender on his way before he has got his foot fairly inside the threshold of the office door, but will stop upon the street at any time to listen to the remarks of the city and gazes in amazement at another vender, who is wildly demon-

> He is amused as a child with a new toy when he can come across a broken-down ice wagon or watch a man laying gold letters upon a store win-

He will turn himself inside out to get a glimpse of a picture carried untire, or proceed to murder a perfectly der the arm of some citizen, which picture he would never glance at were it hung in some prominent place.

Many a visitor to a city has been badly stung by the simple tastes of luted inquisitiveness you've got to the natives in the matter of something exciting. A stranger, coming up one there with the research stuff. He will of the main thoroughfares and seeing a crowd of a couple of hundred people, naturally looks for some sort of a catastrophe, and after working his way to the center of the crowd to see them gazing at some new-fangled motor cycle, or watching a laborer ascending from a manhole, is naturally He will let his dinner get cold any chagrined.

Doctors Want a National Leprosaria



Medicine. One of the patients, a China- favor of such an institution that were from Brooklyn, two from the

sult, many lepers, in fear and terror, ing from the disease instead of appresent 35 cases of leprosy under human body.

treatment in New York and vicinity. Many of these patients, it is said, make occasional visits to the shopping district, to banks, or to hospitals, riding openly in trains, street cars and ferry boats.

Six physicians from different parts of the United States and the American colonial possessions discussed leprosy N EW YORK.—Nine lepers, inmates at the meeting, and all agreed that in of institutions in the vicinity of New York city there is no likelihood this city, were exhibited the other of infection. They declare in favor of aight for public examination at a gath- a national leprosaria, with stations in ering of physicians in the Academy of Florida and San Francisco, urging in man, was from Paterson, N. J.; two was impracticable for the states to take action on account of the small sity hospital, three from the skin and number of cases in each state and it cancer hospital. The purpose of ex- was unfair from a national standpoint aibiting the lepers is stated to be the to allow one state to drive its lepers beginning of an effort "to educate the across the border into other states. public away from the hysterical atti- There are now on record, it was asture it has heretofore shown when serted, 278 cases in the United States, ever the presence of a leper becomes 176 of them being men and 102 women. Five seaboard states contain Leon had faith has been pretty well It was declared that the attitude of almost all of the recorded cases, New discredited in this age of progress the people in general toward lepers York, South Carolina, Florida, Caliand skepticism. But it seems there has not in the least advanced since fornia and Massachusetts leading in

> Dr. Charles W. Duval of Tulane zonceal the fact that they aer suffer- university, New Orleans, described his experiments in segregating the bacilli plying for and receiving humane and of the disease and his final success in intelligent treatment. There are at propagating the germs outside of the

Reno Divorce Colony Is Threatened



vorce while you wait-is in danger of tomobile in a twinkling, for such is destruction because the gamblers of the state have been put out of busi- those who insist upon this action as ness. The legislature will be asked retaliation for driving the gambling to repeal the law that makes the gam- houses out of the state. blers go to work, and, if this cannot duced amending the present divorce

spenders and unemployed while here source of income.

radan believes that these well-to-do, spend money.

fashionable people of the east come out here because they like the climate, scenery or residents. They come because it offers the shortest route by half of any that leads from matri-

mony. In any other state a year's resi dence is required and Reno is preferred by those in a hurry to living a year under more congenial surroundings.

It is expected that an effort will be made to effect a compromise with

Southern counties are clamoring for be accomplished, a bill will be intro- the raising of the gambling lid and say they cannot get along without the law and making it as hard to get a gambling houses to attract men to

livorce here as it is in other states. town. Reno and Carson City, where Under the present law six months' the divorce business is liveliest, are residence is all that is required, and determined there shall be no tinkermen, livery men and lawyers are panwaiting for the time to tell the court ic-stricken at the prospect of losing about matrimonial troubles, are a fine business from the colony of women and men who have nothing to do dur-Not even the most enthusiastic Ne- ing the six months they are here but

Mules Run Away With Blazing Cotton



G UTHRIE, OKLA.—With lint cotton selling at \$75 a bale, thefts of cotton are frequent in Oklahoma. A bale is rolled from a car into the weeds, or taken from a farmer's barn into his field, and at night the thieves haul the cotton to a nearby town, away. where it finds ready sale.

Two bales of cotton were found in a ravine at the roadside near Guthrie, strong wind was blowing, with no The fact was reported to the sheriff, who placed night guards to arrest the a fast drive to town, and call out the persons that came for the cotton. Shortly after midnight three men approached a bale and began rolling cotton, scorching one of the negroes, it down the highway. When the The wagon next caught fire. The fire thieves were commanded to halt, un- department put out the flames, but the der arrest, they fied and the officers cotton was destroyed and the wagos opened fire. One of the thieves, all ruined.

negroes, was captured, the others es-

News of the arrest was telephoned to the sheriff, who got out of bed and started for the scene. The two fugl tives had returned with a wagon, and were loading in the cotton when they were surprised and arrested by the sheriff. The other officers came up and the three captives were hand cuffed and put into their wagons. On the way to town one of the negroes stepped on his gun, concealed at the bottom of the wagon, and it exploded, the bullet narrowly missing one of return with a wagon and team and the mules ahead, and the mules ran

By the time they were stopped the bale of cotton was on fire, and a water near. It was decided to make fire department. The faster the mules rang the higher burned the blazing

From a masculine point or view

Some fat men are meaner than other men simply because there is more

Many a man who thinks he is in love lives to discover that second thoughts are best.

Some men are born great, some acpuire greatness, and others have greatness thrust upon them, but it doesn't seem to take any of them long to get

Scrupulous. "What did Mr. Hibrow say when he found you standing under the mistletoe?" asked Maude

"He said it was not genuine mistletoe," replied Maymie, "and that he could not think of taking advantage of a botanical error."

INSIDE HISTORY. Some Seif-Explanatory Letters. Battle Creek, Mich., Jan. 7, '11. Dr. E. H. Pratt,

Suite 1202, 100 State St., Chicago, Illinois. My Dear Doctor:

"Owing to some disagreement with

that we have genuine testimonial letten to us in a complimentary way, and we have declined to accede to the

these letters over to them. "I am asking a few men whom deem to be friends to permit me to you can see where so-called Christian reproduce some of their letters over | ministers officiate at the graves of open

falsehoods. "We have hundreds of letters from very best, particularly in view of the horrible. fact that it recognizes the work I have been trying to do partly through the

little book, 'The Road to Wellville.' higher thought which is more impor- faith or not. God says: "Judge not, tant than the kind of food, but I have taken considerable pains to extend to what you do when you deny them a the cheeks, and the neck and after humanity such facts as may have Christian burial.

come to me on this subject. "In order that your mind may be refreshed I am herewith enclosing a cation in order to refute falsehoods. and under that method of treatment I no breach of the code of ethics.

"I trust this winter weather is find. God's word." ing you well, contented and enjoying the fruits that are yours by right. "With all best wishes, I am,"

Yours very truly,

Dr. Pratt, who is one of the most prominent and skillful surgeons in America, very kindly granted our request in the cause of truth and jus-

Chicago, Aug. 31, 1906. Mr. C. W. Post,

Battle Creek, Mich. My Dear Sir:

"I write to express my personal appreciation of one of your business methods, that of accompanying each package of your Grape-Nuts production with that little booklet "The Road to Wellville," A more appropriate, clear headed and effective presentation of health-giving auto-suggestions could scarcely be penned.

"Grape-Nuts is a good food in itself, but the food contained in this little article is still better stuff. I commend the practice because I know that the greed and strenuousness, the conse quent graft and other types of thievery and malicious mischief generally can never be cured by legislative ac-

"The only hope for the betterment of the race rests in individual soul culture.

"In taking a step in this direction, your process has been so original and unique that it must set a pace for other concerns until finally the whole country gets flavored with genuine, practical Christianity.

"I shall do all that lies in my power to aid in the appreciation of Grape-Nuts, not so much for the sake of the food itself as for the accompanying auggestions.

"Visiting Battle Creek the other day with a friend, Dr. Kelly of Evanston, Illinois, while I was consulting with Mr. Gregory, my friend visited your factories and came away greatly amazed, not only at the luxurious furnishings of the offices generally and the general equipment of the place, but with the sweet spirit of courtesy and kindness that seemed to fill the air with a spiritual ozone that was good to breathe.

"The principles expressed in the little booklet, 'The Road to Wellville,' I well know are practical and they work in business of all kinds, including sanitariums, as will be fairly tested before time is done.

"I know you will not regard this letter of appreciation as an intruding one. It is simply the salutation of good fellowship to you from a man who, although he has never seen you, feels drawn to you by the kinship of thought.

"The only thing that makes a man live forever in the hearts of his countrymen and his race is the good that he does. Your position in this respect is an enviable one and I wish to extend my congratulations."

Yours respectfully,

would it be heresy to question the sex

A Christian Burial

Trinity Lutheran Church Houston, Texas

We would ask, then, to whom alone ought a Christian burial be granted? Our answer is short and concise-a Christian's burial ought to be granted only to Christians and to no one else, even if he were the mightiest ruler on earth. Is that answer not clear, plain and concise enough? Now, let us look at that matter a little closer.

When I see a funeral procession composed of heathens, headed by s heathen priest, I conclude that the deceased was a heathen. When I see Jews, headed by a rabbi, in funeral processions, I rightly conclude that the deceased was a Jew. When a company of men wearing aprons or badges or other paraphernalia follow a coffin. I conclude that the deceased was a lodge member. When I see a coffin decked with the country's flag, acmagazine several years ago companied by military men, and when they have become quite vituperative. I see military rites performed at the and of late have publicly charged me grave, I can safely conclude that the with falsehoods in my statements deceased was a soldier. And when I see the Christian congregation, with their pastor, at the grave and hear "It has been our rule to refrain them sing or pray or use the word of from publishing the names either of God, ought to be able to conclude laymen or physicians who have writ- that the deceased was a Christian and

died a Christian death. Is that not right? Ought we not to ought to, and years ago we could, but nowadays you cannot. Almost daily their signatures in order to refute the unbelievers, suicides, criminals and the like. Is this not true? They are not abashed to grant such who have physicians, but I esteem the one that died in open unbelief a Christian buryou wrote to me in 1906 among the fal. That is shameful, unspeakably

But, they say, "you cannot judge others, you cannot see into their heart whether they were Christians or Cuticura Remedies which cured her. "I do not sell or attempt to sell the not, whether they have died in the that ye be not judged," and that is

Now, my dear friends, it is true that we cannot look into other men's hearts to see whether they are upright Chris- arm and I used the Cuticura Ointcopy of your good letter, also a copy tians or not. But we do know, and of the little book, and if you will give that most assuredly, what kind of peome the privilege of printing this over ple are not Christians, namely, those your signature I will accompany the who despised the word of God and printing with an explanation as to the sacraments and refused to make why you permitted its use in publi- use of the means of grace and that

> And God also says: "Because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also Ointment. Ten days ago I had my reject thee." Think of this a mo- left hand and wrist burned with boilment. There is a man who knows our ing lard, and Cuticura Ointment has knows that the ringing of the bells invite him, but he passes by.

> spark of conscience in him, ought such | nicely, I will gladly furnish the a man to have a Christian burial? names of the people referred to above Ought we to open the door to such a If anybody doubts what I say." (Signperson, who refused to enter them when alive? Shall we confess that we land Ave., Malden, Mass., Oct. 1, 1910. look forward to his resurrection into everlasting life? Is that denving the faith, denying Christ as the only hope of salvation? Do we not know that God says, "Blessed are the dead who died in the Lord?" Shall we alter or change this? Let us remember that God said: "Be not deceived, God is not mocked."

It is just this gross denial of faith at the graves of the ungodly 'that causes men to become indifferent in religious matters. Christianity is therefore laid bare to open ridicule. Men will ask, "Why should I run to church? When I die they can easily get a preacher who will bury me for ten dollars and will preach as fine a sermon as for those who constantly go

But some will say, "He will not mention the deceased at all. We do not want to have the impression that the deceased is blessed and eternally saved." That makes matters worse still. Then they become hypocrites. By the fact that the deceased is not mentioned in the prayers they show he is not worthy of it.

They stand there as Christian ministers and yet do not dare to mention the deceased, because they and everyone present knows that he was not a Christian, and that a Christian minister has no business there.

But they say, "We are preaching to the living and not the dead." What, are we burying the living? Is it not the dead to whom the honor of a Christian burial is given? And do they say that they want to comfort the survivors? How shall they comfort? If they say the deceased is saved, they are guilty of a falsehood or if they speak the truth and say the deceased did not die a Christian and cannot be saved, then they have aroused a storm of hatred against themselves. Or shall they preach repentance there? That will fail also. Are they not officlating at the burial of an unbeliever? Will not the people say, "If what you say be true, why are you here granting a Christian burial to an unbeliever?" Oh, my friends, let us remember

"Blessed are the dead (and only they) who die in the Lord." And to them alone ought a Christian burial be granted. If they have been hypocrites and deceived us, they will find their judge whom they cannot deceive. But as for us, may God grant us grace that we may not deny the faith nor deny the Saviour by granting Christian burials to such as have not died in the Lord.

By REV. W. BEHNKEN



WHAT'S IN A NAME?

He-Your family has a grand name, Miss Vere De Vere!

She-Yes, and yet I'd prefer almost any other.

NURSE TELLS OF SKIN CURES

"I have seen the Cuticura Remedies used with best results during the past twenty years. In my work as a nurse, many skin disease cases came under my observation, and in every instance, I always recommended the Cuticura Remedies as they always gave entire satisfaction. One case in particular was that of a lady friend of mine who, when a child, was afflicted with eczema which covered her face and hands entirely, breaking out at intervals with severer torture. She demand of attorneys that we turn be able to conclude that? Yes, we could not go to school as the disfigurement looked terrible. I told her to get at once a set of Cuticura Remedies. After the use of only one set she was perfectly well.

"A grown lady friend was afflicted with salt rheum in one of her thumbs, and she was cured by the Cuticura Remedies. Still another lady had dry salt rheum in both palms of her hands every fall of the year. They used to be so painful she could scarcely wet her hands until she began to use the I have also seen them cure children of ringworm. The children's faces would be all circles and rings around treatment with the Cuticura Soap and Ointment they were completely cured. My husband bad rheumatism on his ment. It made his arm as limber and nice, whereas it was quite stiff before

I began to apply the Ointment. "Last May I had an ingrowing toe nail which was very painful, as the side of the nall was edging right such people are not Christians, we down in the side of my toe. I cut know from the word of God that can- the nail out of the cavity it made, and feel, so far as I know, there would be not lie. Christ says in unmistakable of course applied the Cuticura Ointwords: "He that is of God heareth ment to the part affected. It soothed it and in less than ten nights it was all healed through constant use of the recommended the Cuticura Remedies to another friend, and she is pleased I ask everyone who still has a with the results and is recovering ed) Mrs. Margaret Hederson, 77 High-

An Optical Illusion. "I specks Mistah 'Rastus Pinkley is in trouble," said Miss Miami Brown. "Las' evenin' I saw de teardrops streamin' down his face."

"Dem warn't teardrops," replied Miss Cleopatra Jackson. "He des got hisse'l a little splattered up Allin' his Christmas gif' fountain pen."

Communings by the Wayside. Adam Zawfox-Jevver git through winter 'thout workin'? Job Sturkey-Yeh; I spent one winler in a workhouse.

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