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Carrying Out the Law.

One hundred and thirty years ago Burke pointed out that the American people were smatterers in law—that in no other country in the world was the law so general a study. To-day, for good and for ill, Americans without legal training have great confidence in their ability to decide legal questions. Their confidence has been largely justified. There are many true stories of country justices who, by combining their good sense with knowledge or ignorance of law, were able to render just and reasonable decisions. On the other hand, says Youth's Companion, many Americans show a too easy assurance in deciding whether a judge has given a good legal decision or whether a prosecuting officer is remiss in not prosecuting everyone whom the public pronounces a rascal. Courts and district attorneys get an abundance of instruction from the newspapers and the public which the law would not allow them to follow. In the same way the people at home told the generals in the civil war to capture Richmond or capture Washington immediately, while the generals themselves were busy with problems of which their civilian friends never dreamed. Because the public officers do not fling into jail everyone who has offended against moral law, it does not follow that the officers are not doing their duty, or that justice is fettered by "legal technicalities." In the long run, the processes of court justice are parallel to the processes of the best moral justice. The records of American court proceedings form a history of intelligent interpretation of the law. Only by faith in the courts can legislatures determine how to make statutes effective and harmonious with existing laws, and through the courts a law-abiding people finds surest protection against those who break the laws that men have made.

The Immigrant Problem.

In a recent editorial under the title, "Can We Have Too Many?" the Boston Herald discusses what has been called the immigration problem. It cites the following testimony: "Recently Robert Watchorn, commissioner of immigration, said he had no sympathy with those who wished to keep out immigrants because of illiteracy or lack of money. 'I came through Castle Garden 26 years ago with \$15 in my pockets,' said the commissioner, 'and when President Roosevelt wanted the right man for this place he selected me out of 80,000, 000.' Not modest, perhaps, but very much to the point, Dr. John P. Conroy, principal of the public school, No 179, Manhattan, the president of the club, interrupted to say that he 'came through Castle Garden without even the trousers.' 'We need all the able-bodied, willing workers we can get,' declared the commissioner. 'We have no cause for alarm. Rather, the perils with the European countries, for out of 5,000,000 emigrants who have left their shores, 4,200,000 were able bodied men and women between the ages of 14 and 44 years.' Touching those who are regarded as the least desirable class of immigrants, the Slavs and Poles, the commissioner said these workers have supplanted the Irish and Welsh miners in the anthracite fields, 'and now 535 of their sons are in our colleges and universities.' Thirty years from now, he predicted, they would be holding office—and he might have added perhaps be favoring the restriction of immigration! The optimistic view of this question is sustained by all our past history and by the wonderful material development of our country, which would have been impossible without the brawn and the brain that have come to us from the mother countries."

The treatment needed to rid any community of Judge Lynch is so simple that there is no excuse for not applying it, says the New York Sun. It consists not only of the prompt and vigorous use of the long-established weapons with which the state has armed its representatives for the protection of its citizens. Where a mob is able for any considerable length of time to defy the law it will be found that the enforcers of the law are incompetent, cowardly or corrupt. The responsibility for these conditions rests on the citizens themselves, who get the kind of government they are willing to tolerate and who by insisting on good administration by decent, capable men can always make impossible such disgraceful incidents as the Springfield outbreak.

The rapacity of landlords in New York city is driving tenants to the suburbs. It is impossible to get a small flat at a figure reasonably within the average clerk or workman's means and such tenants are finding it extremely difficult to meet existing conditions.

A new fertilizer made in Norway from the nitrogen in the atmosphere is said to be very nearly of the same value to plants as Chili saltpeter, while its cost is lower.

THE POINT OF THE PROVERB

An old proverb advises the shoemaker to stick to his last. It means that a man always succeeds best at the business he knows. To the farmer, it means, stick to your plow; to the blacksmith, stick to your forge; to the painter, stick to your brush. When we make experiments out of our line they are likely to prove expensive failures.

It is amusing, however, to remark how every one of us secretly thinks he could do some other fellow's work better than the other fellow himself. The painter imagines he can make paint better than the paint manufacturer; the farmer thinks he can do a job of painting better, or at least cheaper than the painter, and so on. A farm hand in one of Octave Thanet's stories tells the Walking Delegate of the Painters' Union, "Anybody can slather paint;" and the old line painter tells the paint salesman, "None of your ready made mixtures for me; I reckon I ought to know how to mix paint."

The farm hand is wrong and the painter is wrong: "Shoemaker, stick to your last." The "fancy farmer" can farm, of course, but it is an expensive amusement. If it strikes him as pleasant to grow strawberries at fifty cents apiece, or to produce eggs that cost him five dollars a dozen, it is a form of amusement, to be sure, if he can afford it, but it's not farming. If the farmer likes to slosh around with a paint brush and can afford the time and the expense of having a practical painter do the job right pretty soon afterward, it's a harmless form of amusement. If the painter's customers can afford to stand for paint that comes off in half the time it should, they have a perfect right to indulge his harmless vanity about his skill in paint making. But in none of these cases does the shoemaker stick to his last.

There is just one class of men in the world that knows how to make paint properly and have the facilities for doing it right; and that is the paint manufacturers—the makers of the standard brands of ready-prepared paints. The painter mixes paints; the paint manufacturer grinds them together. In a good ready-prepared paint every particle of one kind of pigment is forced to join hands with a particle of another kind and every bit of solid matter is forced, as it were, to open its mouth and drink in its share of linseed oil. That is the only way good paint can be made, and if the painter knew how to do it he has nothing at hand to do it with. A paint pot and a paddle are a poor substitute for power-mixers, burr-mills and roller-mills.

The man who owns a building and neglects to paint it as often as it needs paint is only a degree more short-sighted than the one who tries to do his own painting or allows the painter to mix his paint for him.

P. G.

At the Dinner Party.

Mrs. Henpeck (to herself)—Look at my husband, over there, disgracing us with his frightful manners! If I had that book on table etiquette here now I'd throw it in his face!—Family Journal.

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The Lesson of the Great San Francisco Disaster

By DR. NEWELL DWIGHT HILLIS.



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have sometimes been overruled for the happiness and prosperity of cities that have suffered. When the great fire devastated London and left the metropolis a pile of cinders and ashes, it was thought that all England was ruined. But standing now on the dome of St. Paul's cathedral, and looking out over the stately buildings that were made possible by that cleansing fire, England understands. When destruction overwhelmed Chicago, the citizens rose up and undertook the impossible. Scarcely were the ashes cool when they began to plan for a greater and new Chicago. It was a giant's task, but carrying the burden developed that generation into giants. The emergency gave them great initiative.

History tells us also that great catastrophes ensue when they began to plan for a greater and new Chicago. It was a giant's task, but carrying the burden developed that generation into giants. The emergency gave them great initiative. And the news from San Francisco tells us that the citizens are made of heroic stuff. Already they are beginning the work of clearing away their ashes. They have decided to lay their foundations broader and deeper. They are beginning to say: "This hour of trouble is an hour of flaming opportunity, when we can show the whole world how strong men and women can meet an emergency." Already the tales of heroism and fortitude are sufficient to make a new Iliad. The loss of material things is nothing when manhood is so great and victorious. Who knows but that these people are to lift up standards of character and are to exalt the whole fifteen hundred millions of the family of men?

Once more the human race must remember Christ's paradox: "Blessed are they that mourn." Looking at the great immortals, we cry out: Who are these in their bright array? And the answer is: This is Lincoln, with his scarred face; this is Robert Bruce, with his wanderings and his broken heart; this is Socrates, with his cup of poison; this is Paul, the exile and the hero; this is Aeneas fleeing from burning Troy; this is Abraham, driven out of Ur, going out to wander homeless midst strangers. The uttermost of disaster overtook them. But lo, it is their trouble that wings their names with influence and makes them golden and immortal forever.

When long time has passed men may begin to understand the mystery. To-day, midst our tears and our bewilderment, we will trust. Let us believe that God is in His sky. Perhaps the people of San Francisco will have to save up their hard problems and some day ask their hard question before the throne of God. In that hour of revelation we believe that they will see that our earth is not a runaway orb, crashing wildly through space and spotted with fire and blood, but that all things have worked together for good. And He who made His own Son perfect through suffering has counted the people of the great western city to be rich in that heroic stuff that justifies the fire that will put temper into a sword that shall flash forever in the hand of the spirit of the republic—Liberty and Civilization.

Some Reasons for Wife Desertion

By ERNEST P. RICKNELL, Superintendent Chicago Bureau of Charities.

applied for its assistance in 1905 had been deserted by the husband or wife. Another society found that during the same period one in ten of the families asking its help had been deserted. Reports of other charities show similar facts. It should be said that the man of the family is the usual offender—that rarely is a woman guilty of this unnatural crime.

Much attention has been devoted to a study of the causes of desertion and the treatment of deserters in recent years, but it must be admitted that results have thrown little light on the subject. Causes are too subtle and complex and varied to yield their secrets readily to investigation. One man will go away from home in good faith in search of employment, intending to fend for his family later, or to send money for its support. Hard luck attends him, he drifts from place to place, gradually becomes alienated, and finally ceases to communicate with his wife. Another man will leave home in anger, in which case the deciding quarrel is usually the culmination of a long series of bitter wrangles, in which the blame often must be shared by the wife.

A well-defined class of deserters is composed of husbands who leave home just before the birth of a baby. The members of this class usually return after charity has seen the wife safely through the crisis and has paid all the accompanying expenses. There are men who have repeatedly been guilty of this sort of desertion. They know that charity will come to the rescue, and they shamelessly take advantage of that knowledge. Unpleasant home conditions, such as slovenly housekeeping, complaining and nagging wives, and wives indifferent to the husbands' wishes or taste play their part in the sum total of causes of desertion.

Without doubt the intermittent deserter is one of the most perplexing and troublesome. About the time the family has adjusted itself to the conditions caused by his absence, he returns and throws all plans into confusion. The charitable society which has helped the family to a point when it can see self-support and normal life ahead finds its programme destroyed and much of its work nullified. Then when the family's affairs again are in desperate plight the husband once more takes his departure, the charitable agency is compelled to come in, and the whole discouraging, disastrous round is repeated.

Certain European countries have laws against desertion which appear to be worthy of trial in the United States. Under their operation a deserting husband, on conviction, is sentenced to prison at hard labor. The state or municipality allows a daily wage for his work, but instead of paying it to him pays it to his family. It is said that when a man once finds that he cannot escape the support of his family he prefers to labor outside, rather than inside, the prison walls. To insure effectiveness such a law would require to be supplemented by another which would permit of prosecution without the wife's participation. But the problem is huge and many sided, and we shall doubtless wait long for its solution.

GIRGENTI THE BEAUTIFUL.

No Place of Ruins in the Whole World More Beautiful Than This.

Writes William Sharpe in "The Garden of the Sun," in Century: Every one has heard of Girgenti, as of Syracuse, before coming to Sicily. The most beautiful city of antiquity has left an enduring name, and if the Girgenti of to-day be far from the Agrigento of Roman splendor, and still further from the Agrigento of Green beauty and magnificence, it is still nobly worth seeing. Even the least responsive imagination can hardly fail to apprehend some idea of what this town must have been of old, when Agrigento, with its vast extent and over 200,000 inhabitants, looked out across the dark-blue waters of the Greek sea, or Mare Africano, from a lordly wilderness of superb temples and magnificent buildings of all kinds. To-day it is worth a pilgrimage from the ends of the earth. There is perhaps no place of ruin in the whole world more beautiful than this. To see it, as the present writer last saw it, in a golden sunset glow, with the great temples gleaming like yellow ivory, and the town itself of a dusky gold, and the sea beyond, and uplands and mountains behind, irradiated with a serene glory of light, is to see what will be for life an unforgettable impression, an ever deeply moving remembrance.

To localize the three loveliest views in Sicily (and I fancy that most travelers would agree with me), I should specify that from the terrace of the Hotel Timeo at Taormina, that from the monastery-hostelry of Madonna del Tindari over Tyndaris and the Aeolian Isles, and that from the terrace of the Hotel Belvidere on the south wall of Girgenti, looking out on the lovely temples, the beautiful uplands and slopes, and the blue sea washing Porto Empedocle below.

HONESTY OF THE CHINESE

That They Possess This Trait a Traveler in Their Country Gives Evidence.

The route lay directly through the heart of the "Hung-hutze" country, which was at that time in a state of disorder. As I had no passport to travel in that locality, writes T. F. Millard, in the Far West East, I was forced to conceal myself in one of those instruments of torture known as a Peking cart, my luggage occupying another. The arrangements were made by a Christian friend of mine in Mukden, who committed me to the care of an old carter, with instructions for him to get me across the border. We left Mukden just before the dawn one morning, and traveled for two days, finally arriving safely in neutral territory. Two nights I slept in villages infested by "Hung-hutzes." It would have been a simple matter for them to have made away with me and seized my effects, and my carter could have easily betrayed me without fear of detection. But such was my confidence in the integrity of the Chinese that I did not feel the slightest uneasiness, although I was entirely unarmed. During the entire trip I was compelled to trust absolutely to the old carter, not being able to hold any communication with him, as he did not understand a word of English or any other foreign language, and I cannot speak Chinese. He showed great cleverness in getting me across the Liao river, past the Cossack border guards, without being detected; and when we arrived at Sin-min-tin he seemed even more pleased than myself, and refused to accept any remuneration in excess of the sum agreed upon.

CURIOUS HABITS OF FOXES

Do Not Molest Birds or Animals of Their Immediate Neighborhood.

The animals on which the fox usually preys are often left untouched round his own home; and it is even asserted that nothing is killed on the side of the hill in which that home is made, says Native Notes.

In a small patch of nettles within a few feet of the mouth of the foxes' earth a partridge placed her nest and brought off her brood. Round this nettle bed the cubs were constantly to be seen, and in it they played hide and seek. In another case the entrance to an earth was surrounded by five or six rabbit holes, the occupants of which were unmolested by their next-door neighbors.

In a third a litter of cubs was placed in a large pit surrounded by fencing, from which there was no escape, and in which there were a number of rabbits. None of these was attacked by the cubs, though they would seize a dead rabbit in full sight of the person who had shot and thrown it to them.

Use for Korean Walls.

The wall which runs round Seoul serves no useful purpose whatever; in fact, by restricting traffic between the city and suburbs to a few narrow gates, it is a great nuisance. There are enough stones in the wall to reconstruct the greater part of the drainage in the city, and with a little leveling the banks upon which the wall is built would make admirable building sites, and the money obtained from them would go a long way towards the cost of city improvements.—Seoul Daily News.

True Philosophy.

"How far is it to the land or Contentment?" "It's 'ordin' how much faith you got. Ef you think you is it, dar you is. En ef you don't—well, it's ten mile farder on."—Atlanta Constitution.

HE WENT ON CRUTCHES

All Medicines Failed Until Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Cured His Rheumatism.

"Some years ago," says Mr. W. H. Clark, a printer, living at 613 Buchanan street, Topeka, Kans., "I had a bad attack of rheumatism and could not seem to get over it. All sorts of medicines failed to do me any good and my trouble kept getting worse. My feet were so swollen that I could not wear shoes and I had to go on crutches. The pain was terrible.

"One day I was setting the type of an article for the paper telling what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills had done for a man afflicted as I was and I was so impressed with it that I determined to give the medicine a trial. For a year my rheumatism had been growing worse, but after taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills I began to improve. The pain and swelling all disappeared and I can truthfully say that I haven't felt better in the past twenty years than I do right now. I could name, off hand, a half-dozen people who have used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills at my suggestion and who have received good results from them."

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Deduction by Analogy.

"Mamma, I've got a stomach ache," said Nelly Bly, six years old. "That's because you've been without lunch. It's because your stomach is empty. You would feel better if you had something in it." That afternoon the pastor called, and in the course of conversation, remarked that he had been suffering all day with a very severe headache. "That's because it is empty," said Nellie. "You'd feel much better if you had something in it."—American Spectator.

Followed Instructions.

A lady going from home for the day, says a writer in the New York World, locked everything up carefully, and for the grocer's benefit left a card on the back door. "All out. Don't leave anything," it read. On her return she found her home ransacked and all her choicest possessions gone. To the card on the door was added: "Thanks. We haven't left much."

Somewhat of a Steerer Himself. "Kin ye tell me where I kin find a bunko steerer?" asked the rural visitor.

"No, I can't," answered the policeman. "What does yez want wid a bunko steerer, anyway?" "I've done spent all my money, but if I kin find a bunko man he'd be good for a dinner, b'gosh!"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

BREAD DYSPEPSIA.

The Digesting Element Left Out. Bread dyspepsia is common. It affects the bowels because white bread is nearly all starch, and starch is digested in the intestines, not in the stomach proper.

Up under the shell of the wheat berry nature has provided a curious deposit which is turned into diastase when it is subjected to the saliva and to the pancreatic juices in the human intestines. This diastase is absolutely necessary to digest starch and turn it into grape-sugar, which is the next form; but that part of the wheat berry makes dark flour, and the modern miller cannot readily sell dark flour, so nature's valuable digester is thrown out and the human system must handle the starch as best it can, without the help that nature intended.

Small wonder that appendicitis, peritonitis, constipation and all sorts of trouble exist when we go so contrary to nature's law. The food experts that perfected Grape-Nuts Food, knowing these facts, made use in their experiments of the entire wheat and barley, including all the parts, and subjected them to moisture and long continued warmth, which allows time and the proper conditions for developing the diastase, outside of the human body.

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