

**NEBRASKA RELIGIOUS FANATICS.**

The "Figgites" an Addition to the Various "Holiness" Societies.

Nebraska has added another to the various "holiness" societies with which the land is already overrun. The "Figgites," as they call themselves, from the name of their leader, Louis Figg, are a lot of religious enthusiasts who have banded themselves together and live in a swamp near Gretna, not so very far from Omaha. People in their neighborhood have tarred and feathered the leaders, have threatened worse things, and have handed them into court time and again with little result, except divorce. The Figgites say the Holy Ghost watches over them and tells them what to do and assert that the whole world is not able to turn them from what they regard as their plain duty. They consider themselves to be the chosen of the Lord, and condemn all other persons and sects to everlasting damnation. In spite of the fact that the law is continually after them, the society is growing and may soon be compelled to seek larger quarters. They do absolutely nothing unless directed by the "voice," and consider themselves as being the very acme of perfection.

The Figgites lived at Gretna some years ago, and had money and a good home. What started them on this fanatical religious turn is not exactly known, but it is a fact that suddenly both Figg and his wife showed signs of the "spirit" and their house became the rendezvous of many impressionable women who developed into enthusiasts as great as the Figgites themselves. There were people in Gretna, however, who did not think much of their doings, and booted them out. A couple of years ago there was considerable whitecapping and after a dose of tar and feathers Figg gathered up his female adherents and fled to a swamp, where he built a rough shack, in which the crowd still lives. Strange to say, there are still found women enough to keep the colony in a state of healthy growth. They leave good homes to go with Figg to his miserable shanty, which contains but four rooms, two below and two upstairs, where they sing and shout and conduct their fanatical ceremonies with less regard for the proprieties than is called for in a strict interpretation of the rules of law and order. These four rooms are crowded always, no men being among the enthusiasts except Figg and his two grown sons.

The first principle of the Figg religion is regeneration by the Holy Ghost. When that is accomplished, the whole life of the devotee hangs on the "voice." The "voice," which is supposed to come from the Holy Spirit, directs every move of their daily lives, and whatever the "voice" directs them to do, is done without question. The Figgites believe that all creeds and forms of worship are wrong, as well as any set way of meeting. They have a way of working themselves into a high state of excitement, when the "voice" will command one of their number to go and stir up a meeting held in some church near by. There is usually something doing of very warm character when the fanatic shows up and begins to denounce the congregation.

**NEW LOGGING METHODS.**

**Steam and Electric Machines Used to Haul Logs in Maine Forests.**  
A few years ago, when some one suggested an electric railway from Moosehead lake up the valley of the Alleghash river, in the very heart of the northern Maine woods, the project was ridiculed on every hand as impossible of execution in such a rough country, even if there would be any business for the road when it should have been constructed. Now, however, a trolley system is in successful operation in the Dead River region in the roughest part of Somerset County and is engaged in hauling heavy loads of spruce logs—a greater burden than any ordinary electric line has to carry, writes a Bangor correspondent of the New York Tribune.

The electric log-hauler is the invention of A. O. Lombard, of Waterville, who is a mechanical genius and has made a fortune from various inventions in the last ten years. Some years ago Mr. Lombard conceived the idea of building a steam log-hauler and made a careful investigation of the subject before he began work upon the machine that he had in mind. He found that more than fifty years ago a Maine man had built a steam log-hauler, but that it had failed to work on account of some manifest faults in its construction. This first steam log-hauler had a boiler and engine mounted upon a set of driving wheels five feet in diameter, with spikes in the rims of the wheels to prevent them from slipping, but when the machine was hitched to a load of logs the bearing of weight was on so small a portion of the rims that the wheels whirled around like those of a locomotive on a wet rail, while the spikes would dig so deeply into the snow that the machine would become stalled in hollows of its own making and be unable to move its own weight, not to speak of a load of logs.

To obviate this difficulty Mr. Lombard provided his machine with a sort of self-laying rail—a set of endless lags, carried on ball bearings—which, while preventing the wheels from digging into the snow, affords them a friction hold, giving traction power sufficient to draw loads of logs aggregating 30,000 feet. The forward end of the hauler is carried by a sled, to which is hitched a pole. A pair of horses is

hitched to this pole and driven ahead to guide the machine, but the horses do no hauling.

**COUNTRESS IN MISFORTUNE.**

**Financial Reverses of Lady Dudley, a Noted English Beauty.**  
Reckless extravagance, which an income of \$500,000 a year could not satisfy, has led to the financial ruin of Georgiana, Countess of Dudley, who for a score of years has been considered one of England's most beautiful women. Lady Dudley has sold her magnificent home in London, which cost nearly \$200,000 to decorate, to J. Pierpont Morgan, and only a short time since was compelled to dispose of her famous jewels, bringing \$450,000 at auction. Her husband, the late Earl of Dudley, who was insane, had a passion for beautiful jewelry, and at one time he had one of the finest collections of precious stones in the world. He was immensely wealthy, his income being about \$2,000,000 a year. His son, the present earl, fell heir to this vast estate, but squandered much of it in extravagant living. Lady Dudley had been a leader in Lon-



GEORGIANA, COUNTESS OF DUDLEY.

don's exclusive society for many years, and there were many brilliant social functions at her home. When her son married, her income of \$500,000 was cut down to a tenth of that sum, not nearly enough to maintain her in the way she was accustomed to live. At one time it was said that she was engaged to marry Dr. Jameson, and there is no doubt that the late Cecil Rhodes once was a suitor for her hand.

**THAT WORD "LOAFER."**

**Question as to the Derivation Becoming Acute in London.**

The question as to the derivation of that word "loafer," which Mr. Rhodes will be likely to elevate from the slang dictionary, is already getting acute, says the London Chronicle. Despite "Notes and Queries" and the derivation, through Hans Breitmann, from "that lofer (lover) of yours always hanging around here," the word is Spanish, and, like galoot and others, came from Mexico, through Texas to the States. It is the Anglicized or Americanized form of gallofero, "an idle, lazy vagabond," passing, as any student of Bartlett knows, through glofero, and glofer, to loafer, and ending up with the pretense of having something English or American about it, as "loafer," a man who has no casual connection with the loaf he does not earn. Of the loafer, Josh Billings has given in his "Almanax" a description which would have gone to Cecil Rhodes' heart, as of the type of man who was not to inherit Dalham, or any other property that was his, if he could help it: "The loafer is a thing who is willing to be despised for the privilege of abusing others. He occupies all grades in society, from the judge on the bench clear down to the ragged creature who leans against lamp posts and fights flies in August. He has no pride that is worthy and no delicacy that anybody could hurt. During his boyhood he kills cats and robs hens' nests. During middle life he begs all the tobacco he uses and drinks all the cheap whisky he can get at somebody else's expense, and does die at last." The loafer in America would seem to be more pronounced than his British brother, if we take Henry W. Shaw—Josh Billings—as authority.

**The Benefit of the Doubt.**

Quizzing a boy is not always so easy as it seems. The Cincinnati Enquirer gives an instance in which a man named Smith came out second best in a passage at repartee with a boy named Claude, who looks after the hat-rack in a well-known restaurant. Mr. Smith started out of the restaurant after enjoying his meal, and was seized, as Claude handed him his hat, with the impulse to quiz the lad. "Is this my hat?" he asked. "I don't know, sir," was the answer. "Well, then, why do you hand it to me if you don't know whether it is my hat or not?" asked Mr. Smith, sharply. "Because it's the one you handed to me when you came in," answered Claude.

**Killing Christians in Turkey.**

A recent report shows that 2,599 Christians were murdered in 1901 by the Turks. In only sixty-one cases were the murderers punished and then with not more than four years' imprisonment.

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**A Cure for Rheumatism.**  
Bridgeport, Wash., Oct. 20.—Rheumatism and Kidney Trouble seem to be the prevailing ailments in this territory and particularly in Douglas County. A remarkable and plainly sure cure has, however, recently been introduced. It is called Dodd's Kidney Pills and although but a short time on the market, it has already worked many wonderful cures.

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