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An Instance of the Reclamation of a Convicted Felon.

The True Story of the Redemption of a Young Man Who Had Been

a Convict Several Times-

San Francisco Call.

"Do you believe it is possible for a man to retrieve a lost character and become an honest and useful citizen after once being a convicted felon?"

These words were addressed to me animal described in the dispatch, but one day in the spring of 1878, in the aleeping car of the eastern-bound several others; and found them too overland train. They were spoken by a man whom I had never seen, whose acquaintance I had made that day while we were bowling along through Wyoming Territory. I had been in California nearly thirty years, and this was my first visit east since my arrival here in 1849. Nearly half that number of years had been spent as an officer of the law, and of course I was well versed in the criminal history of our state.

I looked at my interrogator sharply for a second before I answered hum, for the reason that the question was put in a very peculiar tone of voice. I replied: "Yes, but not often."

The answer seemed to please the party, and he asked me to narrate any circumstance of such a nature that might have come under my observation, which I did, as follows:

"In the year 1848 there lived in one of the eastern states a family consisting of the husband, wife and prison. three children - two girls and a boy, They were educated people, and moved in the most respectable society. In the year before mentioned, the head of this family was duly elected lived, and upon the meeting thereof he was chosen to preside over that the aboard but this young man. like other folks, and taking a kindly

was elected to the judiciary, and hual-ly died, respected and honored by all search of work; that employment had bristled still more fiercely as the re-who knew him. The boy, now felt as been promised him, and he expected porter got off at the street corner. it were to look out for himself, soon to get it. He further stated that he fell into bad associations. He was with his wife had a room, where they fond of horses, and embraced every had been living, at the station at opportunity that offered to seek out which he had boarded the train, and the native Californians and Mexicans that all that he and his wife had had (then more plentiful than now) and to eat for four days was some soda assist them in driving their great herds crackers, with only water to drink. of horses and cattle, that were running comparatively wild on the broad plains surrounding the bay of San we both got off. 'Now,' said 1, 'if Francisco."

THE BAD MEN OF THE DAY.

At the time of which I speak the country was infested with desperadoes void on't find the work you expect come to me, and I will see what I can Such mon as Tom Bell, Jack Powers, do for you.' He thanked me and Narcisso Bojorques, Procopio, Juan Soto, Pio Ochoa, Pancao Altamerano, 'In about an hour he came to me. and many others, had full swing of the country, from San Diego to Siski-disappointed. 'What success?' I

you. Whole bands of horses and cat-tle were often run off, and if the asked. "'None,' he replied. 'I did not owners attempted to follow, they et the work.

ams. We did so and they were fined for carrying concealed weapans, and having no money were compelled to serve thirty days in the county jail. He told me afterwards that our caus-ing their detension prevented them from carrying out a plan to run off a band of fine horses they had deter-mined to take. Uter the told so and they were fined officer of the cold, stern law could by any possible chance behumane enough to assist in reclaiming a fallen man. I also knew that my companion was now a thorough honest man, having the fullest confidence of his employ-ers, and I mentally prayed that God might keep him so. HARRY N. MORSE.

"Another year passed without my OARLAND, November 19, 1881.

seeing the young man. One day I received a dispatch from one of the To Persons About to Marry received a dispatch from one of the northern countries, stating that a valuable American mare (describing her) had been stolen from that coun-try, and asking me to keep a lookout for her, as the thieves were coming odlw cents. my way. I soon found, not only the

> The Car-Drivers' Thanksgiving. Interview in New York Herald.

with our young American, and in my "I have druy this 'ere car," he said, own county. He was held, tried and convicted, and the horses were re-"nigh on four years, and in that time turned to their respecuive owners. not one of the tolks as uses this line This time he again pleaded guilty, and was let eff with one year's impris-onment in the state prison. He served out his term and was liberated. guess my pardner's 'specience (the con-Afterward I met him occasionally, but ductor) is much the same as mine. he would only pull his bat down over Talk about a legal holdiday! There's his eyes and try to avoid me. Later no holiday for us, working as we do

his eyes and try to avoid me. Later I heard of him at San Jose, and that he was about to be married. On the very day of his wedding he was ar-rested on a charge of having stolen rested on a charge of having stolen tism. Things is all wrong. It's only six horses from a farmer in the cen- the few who enjoy life, and as for trai portion of the state. He was de- making Thanksgiving a legal holiday, tained in Jail about four months, and according to law, why don't they fine was finally discharged, there being no the companies whot break it by comevidence to convict him. He really pelling their men to work full time had nothing to do with the stealing of when everybody else is enjoying histhose horses, as I afterward recovered self?"

"Now, when do you intend to take the animals and arrested the real culprit and had him sent to the state your dinner to-day? "Right on this 'ere car - same as my

pardner. There's heaps of folks gone "He was released from the San Jose jail, everybody believing him to be the to church to-day in this very car who'd real thief. I lost sight of him for never think of applying practical remore than a year, when one day as I ligion to us fellers.

"What do you mean by practical rewas coming from the upper country "What on the Central Pacific railroad the ligion?"

honorable body. In the spring of 1849, the gold fever being then at its height, he, with hundreds of others, caught it with hundreds of others, went and sat beside him and entered giving, but it makes me mad to see so to the golden state. He had once been a sailor, and owing to his superior knowledge of nautical matters, he was tendered and accepted the command of a fine vessel that had Of course, I thought that was barely he was a machine - and so he is. Why, command of a line vessel that had been purchased by an association of gold hunters, and in the capacity of captain he came to California, bring-ing with him his wife and children. ing with him his wite and children. "They arrived here in the fall of 49, and soon became quite wealthy. After a residence of several years he was elected to the judiciary, and final-by diad respected and here was final-to final done nothing of the kind call this "Thanksgiving.' It might be to some, it ain't for me. Fellers like us had a'most better quit living for what good they gets in this world. Bearch of works that employment here being the still of the time of the still of the

> Humbugged Again. I saw so much said about the mer its of Hop Bitters, and my wife who

was always doctoring, and never well, teased me so urgently to get her some, I concluded to be humbugged again; The tears started in his eyes as he and I am glad I did, for in less than two months use of the Bitters my wife was cured and she has remained what you tell me is true, and you so for eighteen months since. 1 like such humbugging .- H. T. St. Paul. really intend to become an honest man, I will help you to be so. If -St. Paul Pioneer-Press

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would be either driven back at the point of the knife or pistol, or murdered outright.

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as though his heart would break As "My first acquaintance with him was in 1865. He, with three others- soon as he could master his emotions, Mexicans-called at the house of a he turned and came toward me, and farmer in one of the central counties taking my hand said: 'May Ged kill of the State, and, knocking at the door, asked for a drink of water. The of starvation in the streets first." farmer's wife was alone, and naturally, was much alarmed at the appearance will see if I can get you the work you will see if I can get you the work you of so many armed men at her door; but she turned to go into the kitchen for some water. As she did so, one of the turned to go into the kitchen for some water. As she did so, one of the some water. As she did so, one of the party grasped her by the throat, and prevented her from making an outcry the satisfaction he felt. He drove the while the others tied her hand and foot. Completely helpless, she could got a job driving a sand cart. He do nothing, and remained quiet. One final.y secured easier employment. of the men held a cocked six-shooter Since that time I have entrusted him at her head, while the rest of the gang searched the house for plunder. Ob. he been so disposed, he could have taining what little money there was in the dwelling, they tied the woman fast true to his resolution. He has never to the bed, and, mounting their horses, returned to his old companions or their road away into the mountains toward evil ways. San Jose.

meet this man with his wife and baby, "The eyes of the woman had not been idle. She had impressed upou her mind the faces of the whole gang his arm, and he looking down upon -the young American among the rest. I was sent for to investigate the as proud of them as man can be. He case, and from the perfect description is a fine-looking man, dresses neatly, case, and from the perfect description given of them by the woman, I soon made up my mind as to who the guilty parties were. I secured all three after a hunt of more than a year; but ment imagine that they were in the after a hunt of more than a year, years of my search it is not necessary to speak. I will only relate such of the circumstances as are directly connected that the stock raisers from one with the subject of my story. He end of the state to the other? That was the first one arrested, and upon little wife and baby had made an honbeing confrented with the woman, was est man of him! identified as one of the gaug who had robbed her. He pleaded guilty and

was sent to San Quentin for one year. of a man who had become an honest man "I saw nothing more of the young man for about two years, when, hap-pening to be in San Jose in company with another officer in search of some cattle that had been stolen (we had tion in the streets.' started out just at the break of day), when turning the corner of a street we ran against our young man, who was with as ugly a looking specimen of a Mexican as I ever saw.

'Hello,' I said, 'What are you do- any more. But why did he ask me ing here at this time of the morning? for no one was yet astir in the town. 'I am going after my horse,' he

replied; 'I am working on a ranch out on the road a pie

"I suspected that they were up to some mischief, so we searched them he, too, had struggled hard and and on each we found an eight-inch Colt's revolver.

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" Rather nice tools to go to work prison he had paid the penalty. with,' I remarked; 'I guess I will take I knew from what he said, and you in and turn you over to the questions he asked during our talk, sheriff (the late lamented J. H. Ad- that it pleased him to know that an

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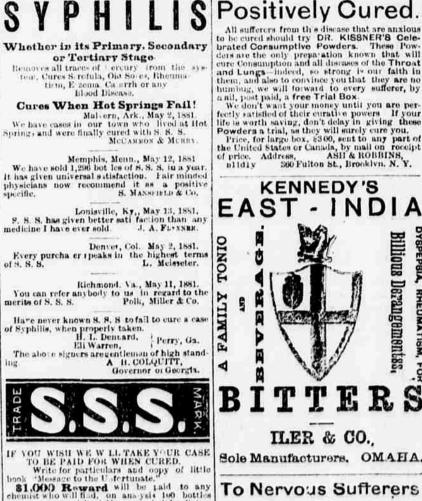
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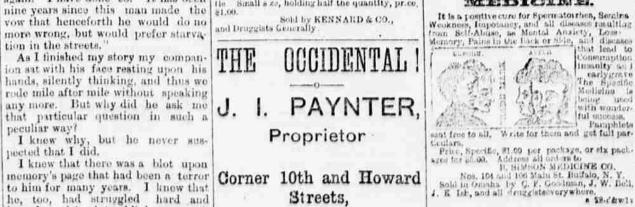
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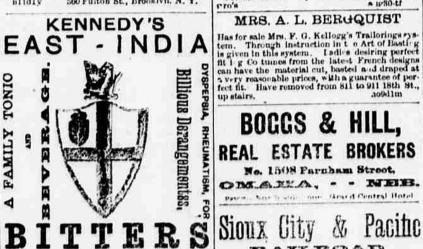
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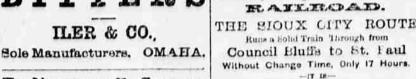
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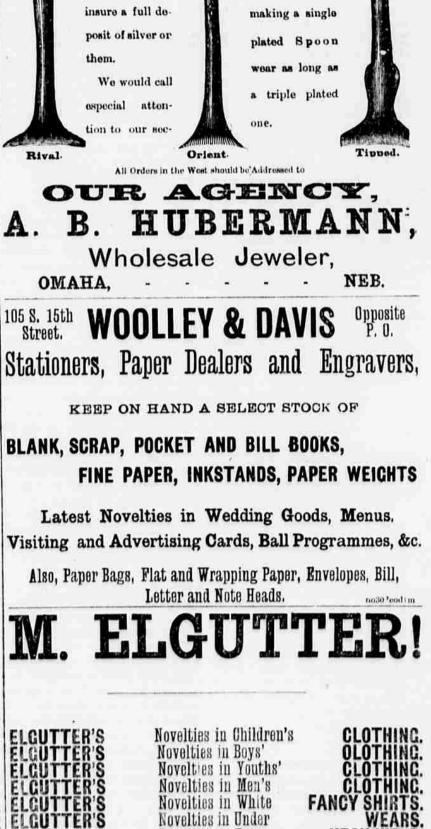
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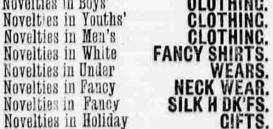
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