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### reason, and now I am ready to resort to TRIALS OF A POLICE CHIEF other methods. Is there not some ordi-nance or rule of the department which

Influences that War Against an Honest Police Administration.

GOOD AND BAD ALIKE URGE EXTREMES in for an interview. Meantime I will ac-

The Safe Road Lies Between the Two -Political and Other Pulls-Points Made by Chief O'Neill of Chicago.

Chief of Police Neill of Chicago delly-ered the principal address at the recent convention of police chiefs in St. Louis. His subject was, "The Police Chief, His Duties and His Difficulties," a topic that deeply concerns every city in the country. Chief O'Neill said, in part:

"The official life of a chief of police of a large city is mainly an unremitting effort to say 'No" and to say it with the least possible offense to thost whose requests and demands are denied. if the chief is an ex- ing to my discretion. I guess that susperienced and forceful man who enters his pension will answer while I take your office with a determination to give a good case under advisement." and efficient police administration, he must be prepared to resist the powerful pressure of political and other influences the moment he assumes the duties of his office. Not only must he maintain his resistance against pressure without an instant of relaxation, but this must be steadily increased until the repression of adverse in fluences reaches that point which will win the approval of sensible people, and convince the public that every consideration must be subordinated to the good of the peated. After seeming carefully to weigh service. The instant the resistance is relaxed the spring flies back with a force proportioned to the pressure which has derman's request. When they came out of been exerted upon it. It will not do to the chief's private office the patrolman resist part of the time and then relax into grasped the alderman's hand and wrung it easy going methods occasionally. The suc- with a grip which told of the gratitude cessful chief of police must continue in which he could not put in words. That his course evenly and steadily and during patrolman never asked for promotion after every moment of his official existence.

"That afert, stubborn and aggressive resistance to pressure and 'pull' which forms the spring against which the executive of the police department must keep his shoulder sternly set comprises various forces, but mainly they are evident in efforts to set at the public crib to obtain 'soft snap' assignments, to secure special exemptions or privileges, and to prevent or minimize the punishment of criminals and transgressors of the law. Other elements enter the problem, but these are the principal ones which may profitably be taken into account and carefully analyzed.

Influences to Be Reckoned With. "Political, social and ethnological influences must be reckoned with. No layman who is not brought into daily contact with the routine of business at police headquarters in a large city can form any idea of the demands made upon the time of the chief of police in the multiplicity of matters which are daily obtruded on him for consideration.

"When the police force is not under strict civil service laws the woes of the chief are indescribable. If the policmen's popularity. clubs were made out of gold instead of locust or hickory, competition for them could scarcely be more strenuous. Citing an incident in the experience of one of my predecessors, Chief Michael Brennan, will serve to illustrate. Early one morning Alderman Stuckart entered with a big, muscular feilow in tow. They were pleasantly welcomed by the chief, who inis an impossibility. formed them in as few words as possible that no vacancies existed and that there was no likelihood of one occurring in the near future. Half an hour later the same alderman returned with another man bent on securing a similar appointment. Again the chief patiently made the same explanation. Four times this program was repeated by the alderman. When he brought in the fifth man, however, the patience of Chief Brennan was exhausted and he exclaimed: "Can't you understand, Alderman, that I must do some police work and that I must be permitted some time in which to do it? This is the fifth call you have made to this office this morning for the purpose of getting a constituent appointed on the police force. In every instance I have told you plainly that there are no vanancies and that no appointments are possible. Still here you come with another man! This is carrying things altogether too far. I hope you will not annoy me further.' Placing his hand on the chief's shoulder, the alderman regretfully replied: 'I knew that as well as you do. Chief, but can't you see that I must square myself with my people, and particuarly those who run the ward and who gave me my seat in the council. I dislike to come here and take up your time on a mission which I know to be hopeless, but there is no other way out of it, my men will not satisfied with my explanations and nothing but a statement from your own lips in their hearing will square me, and 1 may as well tell you right now that I have two more such calls to make today, and you will materially injure my interests if you do not give me a hearing.' The Aldermanic Pull. "On another occasion this tireless and typical alderman came to me (being then Chief Brennan's private secretary), with a troubled face and worried manner. Dropping dejectedly into a chair he made known his mission-'I am slowly but surely being driven to insanity,' he said. "There is a certain patrolman out my way who is determined that I shall secure his promo-Farnam street, Omaha, Neb. tion to the position of sergeant. He never sleeps! It is impossible to shake him. No "Death Valley" in southern California is matter how early 1 rise in the morning or often referred to as the hottest spot on how late I return home at night, he or the earth. But this rather unpleasant disone of his emissaries is camped on my front door steps, and he had a faithful nortion of the Persian gulf in the vicinity lookout posted at the rear of the house, so that I cannot make my escape by way of of Behrin. the allest The importunate widow of is so dituated that there is no water within scriptural celebrity was a shy, shrinking several hundred miles of the place, though and purposeless creature compared with here are a number of saline springs on a this patrolman! Time and again I have sulf within a few hundred yards of the discussed his case with the chiof, and 1 shore. In order to get water the divers understand that there is not the alightest plunge to the bottom and bring it up in chance in the world for his promotion skin bags and it is taken to the city. under the present conditions. If I had a dozen interviews with the superintendent wade off into the middle of a dirty river I couldn't grasp the hopelessness of this man's case any better than I do now; and of the day in the water in order to make I have explained every circumstance to ife bearable. It's a "hot old town." but him over and over again, but without makhey say the people are much attached to L-Boston Globe. ing the slightest impression upon his hopes or determination. He will not listen to

says that officers who annoy the department chief with delegations in their behalf shall be subject to discipline?" "'Yes,' I replied, 'there is such a rule, and your best plan is to bring your man

quaint the chief with the circumstances and call his attention to the ruling which covers the case.'

"This scheme was carried out, and the next morning the alderman and the patrolmn appeared, the latter smiling with satisfaction over the prospect that the chief had 'weakened,' and that a short interview with him would 'fix things all right' and secure his promotion to the pay and dignity of a sergeant. After the alderman

had defined the object of their call the chief put on his severest expression and, turning suddenly to the policeman, said: 'Do you not know, Officer, that you are violating one of the rules of the de-

partment by coming here in order to secure promotion by political influence? Well, you are; and the penalty for it is suspension or dismissal from the service, accord-

### Cooled His Ardor.

LEO. "This turn of affairs was an awful shock With these heart-searching words the to the patrolman and nearly threw him Philadelphia North American opens an ilinto a spasm of fear. His irrepressible amluminated and illuminating story of a bition to wear the uniform of a sergeant eroine well known to many Omaha peosuddenly left him, and all his thoughts beple. As a heroine she was Elsie Reasoner came centered on saving himself from disbut romance interposed and made her the grace and in retaining his position. Then bride of Lester Ralph, son of the noted the alderman made an earnest plea that the man be spared the penalty, on condiwar correspondent. The North American story continues: tion that the offense should never be rehis argument of intercession, the general Elste Reasoner was reared in the atmos superintendent finally acceded to the alhere of the editorial room. Her father Hon. Calvin Reasoner, now retired from active work, was for many years one o

this experience; he was content to let new honors seek him instead of seeking them, and he is still a patrolman.

"Thus far I have told only how the time the energy and the hopes of the head of the police department are consumed by work, and she liked them. place hunters. When there is no civil serv-

ice such things are inevitable, but under civil service law rigidly enforced, as it is in Chicago under the present administration, those drawbacks are reduced to a minimum. Ever since the passage of the civil service law there has been a constant Finally the Spanish-American war broke tightening of the lines, and those who now 111E ...

come to exert their 'pull' or 'influence' are but a corporal's guard as compared with the legions which stormed police headquarters in the older days. tewspaper man can really appreciate the "If the chief of police obtains his posi-

tion through politics and wire-pulling he will be encumbered with obligations which will be pressed upon him unremittingly really didn't interest her any more. with merciless importunity and under the most embarrassing circumstances. Even Wanted to See War.

under the most favorable conditions he will fall far short of meeting the hopes and expectations of his most ardent friends, and, despite his best efforts, he will soon have occasion to feel anxious about his waning nurried to New York and tried to get an

> of the magazines there, but none of them would send me. They said it was no sort of work for a woman and I couldn't possibly do it. "After all the others, I went to Mc-

were held up at Key West at that time waiting for a chance to go to Cuba. The outlook was not promising for iny getting

"'Why, it's foolish,' he said. 'You can't

get through, and even if you should you

might not come back alive. I won't take

the responsibility. But if you do go I'll

'I thought long and hard over the sit-

uation, and made up my mind that the

chance of getting to Cuba by way of

be glad to take whatever you write."

ROMANCE SPRINGS FROM WAR son, went with him. It was a curious Lester Ralph was educated in Paris as an artist, and the war in the Transvaal Former Omaha Woman the Central Figure was by no means his first campaign. He was present, with his father, at the flasco between Greece and Turkey, and the little action he witnessed there only whetted his HERO AND HEROINE HONEYMOONING

sent out from Bloemfontein to post proclamations, and young Ralph, looking for pictures, went along. In this way he witnessed the first sanguinary battle of the war-the ambuscade at Sanna's Post-when the Boers caught Colone: Broadwood's little column in a gulch and killed or captured half of it.

Ralph, creeping through the lines, es caped to Bloemfontein, but his father, who, altogether out of place on the battlefield. with the other correspondents, hurried to But as the shells shricked and the Mauser the scene, was thrown from his horse and ullets sang, she walked cheerfully around, received injuries which eventually caused watching the wounded men fall, and then his death. after she had helped them, asking them Following the ambuscade at Sanna's

Fost, young Ralph was stricken with the fever, and among the friends who as sisted in nursing him back to health was ent, it was her business to be there. And Rudyard Kipling.

such a brave little body! Nothing seemed When Methuen fought his disastrous battles along the Modder river, Ralph was to daunt her. It is no wonder the war artist fell in love with her. He couldn't there, drawing pictures of them; he witnessed the capture of Kronje, and he was help it. They were married a few days with Roberts when Pretoria fell. And all the while his sketches, published in America and in England, were telling the story of the great campaign as graphically as were his father's written words. Then when it was all over Lester Ralph returned o Paris.

Miss Reasoner had seen the young artist's pictures of the war. They were more than mere sketches to her; back of them she could discern the suffering, the terror, the hardships they were meant to teil. Two of the pictures drawn by Ralph appealed to her with particular emphasis, One of them presented a trooper kneeling over his wounded horse in a desert. The orse, apparently, was dving and with the affection that only a soldier knows the

trooper was pouring the last drop of water from a canteen into its parched mouth. The little war correspondent was able to appreciate the sentiment in that sketch.

PRATTLE OF THE YOUNGSTERS. Doctor-Now, my little boy, describe your

symptoms, Tommy-I ain't got no symptoms, I've got a headache in my stomach.

Teacher-Anything is called transparent. that can be seen through. Now, Willie, can you give me an example? Willie-Yes, ma'am. A hole in the fence around the ball park.

Sunday School Teacher-Henry do you now the tenth commandment? Harry-Yes, ma'am

Teacher-Then you may repeat it. Harry-Can't.

Teacher-Why, I thought you said you knew It. Harry-Oh, I only know it by sight.

"Now, children," said a teacher "let us e what you remember about the animal

kingdom and the domestic animals that belong to it. You have named all the domestic animals but one; who can tell me what that one is?" No one answered

"It has bristly hair, likes the dirt and is ond of getting in the mud," hinted the teacher, helpfully. "Can't you think, Tommy?" she asked. ncouragingly, of a small boy.

It's me," said Tommy, reflectively. Miss Sarah Arnold, dean of Simmons

college, Boston is rarely at a loss for a story with which to clinch a point in her tures Sneaking mountly

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the most forceful writers of the west. She was reared in Leavenworth, Kan., and later went to school in Washington, D. C. When she was graduated she began the erious work of life, under the tutelage of her father, upon a newspaper in Salt Lake City. Miss Reasoner began by writing art criticisms. Art criticisms are not very exacting, but still they are newspaper

She wrote so well, too, that before long the editor of a newspaper in Chicago found out about her. Then she went to Chicago, and her studies of "Art in the West," made there, are quite famous in their way.

War stories are more interesting than art criticisms. Even the layman can understand that, but only a newspaper woman or

> difference. The newspaper blood in the veins of Elsie Reasoner began to simmer with the first rumor of war. When war was actually declared she found that art

"I was determined to go to that war." she says, "and I wrote to my father and told him so. He advised me to go by all neans if I felt that way about it. So I

appointment as correspondent from some

tration. A certain element will not be satisfied with anything short of the absolute ideal in morals. But the reasonable Clure's. A whole lot of correspondents portion of the community realizes that this

"Ideal morality cannot be universally enforced in any community, particularly in a there, I must confess, but I was bound to large city, even by a police force made up go. When I saw Mr. McClure and made of men having the moral courage of my proposition to him he refused point plank to send me

Experience of Elsie Reasoner as War Correspondent Touches the Tender Chord of a Hero Similarly Engaged. "She is a slip of a girl, only five feet tall-just like a china doll-and she seemed

in a Olever Story.

juestions about it. Now and again she

"As she was the only girl war correspond

Heritage of Greatness.

paused to take snapshot photographs.

appetite for more. One day a small British expedition was

artyra and the stern convictions of Puritans. "What, then, is the best that can be expected in the line of approximating the ideal, with human nature as it is constituted? How much can be demanded, in the limits of human reason, in suppressing vice and crime and preserving order in a modern metropolis? My own definition of a good ploice administration, as it has been worked out by long years of service

Hottest on Earth.

inction, the scientists say, belongs to a

This spot, and it is quite a city, too,

It is so hot in this place that the people

lear the town and spend the middle hours

Impossible Ideals.

"There is a wide difference of opinion as

o what constitutes a good police adminis-

in the department, is this: On landing, I hurried by rail to Port An-In the department, is this: First. The suppression of public gambling to a point where the police force does not know of its existence, and where honest and vigilant effort is constantly put forth its appearance. Second. The suppression of vice to a point where it cannot directly affect those who do not, of their own unaided choice, seek its haunts. tonio, and by great good luck, the Red Cross steamer State of Texas came into the harbor that very night. "I was well supplied with letters of inroduction from influential public men. I

had one to General Miles, one to General Shafter, and several to officers of the do not, of their own unaided choice, seek f its haunts. Third. The placing of the saloon thor-oughly under the control of the law. Fourth. The reduction of crime and dis-order to that minimum which results from a knowledge, on the part of the potential is where the control of the potential is a wreakers, that punishment shall be im-partial and exempt from the influence of political pull or other form of official cor-ruption, as far as the police are concerned. "These are the main points in my definificet.

"I went aboard the Red Cross ship and was introduced to Miss Clara Barton, who received me very cordially. When I told her of my mission and my letters, she permitted me to go with the ship to Siooney. I was thus able to land in Cuba eight days after leaving New York. "These are the main points in my defini-Helped in the Hospitals.

ion of a sound police administration, and if the conditions I have outlined are fairly "The battle of San Juan Hill had just approximated the people may well be satisbeen fought when I reached Siboney, and fied and should give that administration wounded men were being brought back to their hearty confidence and support, restthe hostipal from the front. I did what I ing assured that they will never know at could to help the Red Cross nurses by what cost of vigilance, hard work and percooking gruel and carrying ice, but the petual warfare such a result has been atfirst chance I got I pushed on inland on a queer little Cuban horse.

"On the way I visited a dozen or more Fourth of July Excursion. of hospitals and took many pictures. Here One and one-third fare for the round is one now-a snapshot of a poor fellowtrip for all stations on the Chicago Great one of the regulars-lying on an improvised Western rallway within 200 miles. Tickets cot. He was shot through the thighs, But on sale July 2 and 4, inclusive. Good to return July 5. For further information aplook at the smile on his face. Just as I. snapped he caught sight of me. He was ply to S. D. Parkhurst, General Agent, 1512 so weak that he could not raise himself or carcely speak, but his face beamed when

he saw me. "'Sister has one of those kodaks,' he said to me, 'and how much you remind me of

her.' He died, I think. "I was present at a number of skir mishes; near enough to the firing line to hear the music of the Mausers and the crack of the rifles our boys carried. Indeed. I got just as close to the firing line as the commanding officers would permit

me to go. "Here is a picture I took of a Spaniard lying dead on the field. He was a sharpshooter, and from his perch in a mango tree had been picking off some of Roosevelt's men. A big negro cavalryman finally located him and brought him down, badly wounded. There he is, just as he lay when passed the place.

"I saw funny things, too. I saw a Cuban sell a horse for half of a pineapple and a plece of tobacco. I saw mx-footers of the Michigan volunteers who had fought Spanlards almost hand to hand, run like deer from undersized land crabs; and I saw General Shafter-three hundred and sev-

enty odd pounds-riding a diminutive Cuban horse. "One thing made a lasting impression on me. It was the wonderful cheerfulness of our soldiers amid great hardships and suf-

fering." Miss Reasoner wrote many interesting articles about what she saw amid the flying bullets on the battlefield, and Mc-Clure's Magazine and the other magazines were glad to print all that they could get from her.

When the war was over she went to Paris as correspondent for the Associated Press, and then on to Holland, where she was the only American woman to witness the coronation of Queen Wilhelmina. And all the while she was adding to her fame as a correspondent.

Young Ralph's Great Work. In the meantime the Boyr war had be-

gun. As the foremost wa correspondent, Ralph went the front for Jultan Harpers and Black White and the Daily Mail of Long sator Ralph, his to read, Miss Arnold told this story: "A friend of mine, a teacher, was once surprised that one of her younger pupils could read. "Where did you learn to read, Mr "y ?" she asked. 'Nowhere,' replied Mary,

"'I mean who taught you?" said the teacher.

"'No one,' answered Mary. Jamaica was better than Florida, so I took " 'Why, some one must have taught you,' steamship for Kingston that very day. insisted the teacher.

"Then little Mary grew very earnest, and she said impressively; 'Why teacher, 'know'd my letters when I was born.' "

## RELIGIOUS.

K. G. H. von Scheele, blabop of Gotland, Sweden, who is the semi-official representa-tive of King-Oscar, will attend the various world's congresses at the St. Louis exposi-tion. He is one of the noted prelates of Europe

Europe. London's oldest beneficed clergyman, Canon Nicholl of Streatham, is retiring. He has been seventy-two years in holy orders, and for more than sixty years has held the rectory of Streatham. He was a school fellow of Gladatone at Eton. One of the Roman Catholic churches of Algiers is called the Church of the Black Virgin. In the church, which is very large and beautiful, is an image of a black virgin, and many of the Africans believe that the virgin was really of their color. Only twice in the history of American that the virgin was really of their color. Only twice in the history of American Methodism, it is said, has the office of bishop been declined. About seventy-five years ago Dr. Fish, president of Wesleyan university, declined the honor. Dr. Day of Syracuse university, who declined the office at Los Angeles, is the second man to decline. Rev. Daniel Norman, E. A., B. D., who has been stationed in Tokio. has been ap-pointed a chaplain in the Japanese army at the front. The Japanese government is to send Christian missionaries and siz pas-tors to the front, taking rank as officers, at the request of the Evangelical alliance. Associate Justice David J. Brewer in his

Associate Justice David J. Brewer in his address at the commoncement exercises of the Bible Training school, New York, said: "A lawyer in the pulpit may seem out of place, but it occurs to me that if there were more gospel on the bench and perhaps more law in the pulpit, it might be better for us."

The Diet of Prussia has recently adopted The Diet of Frussia has recently adopted a resolution that elementary schools as a rule must either be of the state church or Roman Catholic, the teachers and pupils in either case to be of the same creed. Religious minorities if of practicable size may claim the establishment of a school of their confession. This will, as a rule, shut out the Jews and old Lutherans alto-gether.

gether. The missionary exhibit at Los Angeles during the Methodist conference was on a large scale, having a whole building to itself. There were 300 copies of the bible, each in a different language; a Chinese altar, with joss and incease sticks; a zenana, accurately modelled after an In-dian zenana. A Japanese tea garden was also reproduced. This and the Chinese temple attracted the orientals, who visited them in large numbers, bringing their families.

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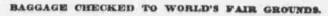
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