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THE STIFLING OF A LANGUAGE.

With the crushing of a people the world is familiar. The attempt has also been made to stamp out thought to eradicate a language is, however, less brutal than the former and more easy of performance than the latter. All of these Russia has attempted. Poland's claim to political entity was obliterated in 1868; her people were persecuted and driven away, many of them to enrich American patriotism; a ban was put on utterances of the press. It remained to stifle the language by the familiar method of outlawing it in school and court—Columbia State.

Russia is not the only country that has stifled the language of a people and endeavored to destroy their national identity. When allied Prussia conquered France in 1872 and took from her Alsace and Lorraine. Prussia demanded and enforced the use of the German language in all public schools, and all courts of law. She did not only do that but demanded the destruction of every picture and painting that was a reminder of their former association and connection with the French Empire. Among all the French subjects there was none more loyal than the Alsacians and Lorrains. It was Prussia's purpose to break them away in the shortest possible way even if brutal. To have torn these people from France for purely political purposes, and forced an alliance with a country they had learned to hate was a hard lesson.

MAKES JUSTICE A MOCKERY

We are told that at least one month will be required to secure a jury to try the McNamara. Just such procedure as this is what makes justice a mockery. Two men are charged with the murder of many lives. They are either innocent or guilty. It should be an easy task to pick up twelve men fair enough to pass on the evidence. In England the case would have been well nigh its ending now.—Charlotte News.

This country might be much the same, if it were not over ridden by a lot of legal sharpers. Men who have resorted to every device to encourage criminals to escape from the penalties of the law, and who have created all the loopholes through which they hope to drag them to safety from the consequences of their crimes. It is not so in Canada, it is not so in England, it may be so in Italy. But Heaven help us that it is so in America.

THE RECALL

Before the recall for judges had taken such a hold on the American people the fact was generally recognized that judges needed to have the watchful eye of the public, as they were not entirely above criticism, for as far back as 1876 the late Senator George F. Hoar of Massachusetts, who, while a member of the House of Representatives, said:

"My own public life has been a very brief and insignificant one, extending very little beyond the duration of a single term of Senatorial office. But in that brief period I have seen five judges of a high court of the United States driven from office by threats of impeachment for corruption or maladministration. I have seen in the State of the Union foremost in power and wealth four judges of her courts impeached for corruption."

And there are others, one at least in this State that a high and acute sense of justice, manifested by the people should have driven him from place and power.

YES WHY.

But seriously, why eliminate chicken from the army ration? This big gov-

ernment of ours is not so poor that it need begrudge to the men who wear its uniform an occasional indulgence in a food delicacy. Economizing in such a niggardly way is rather small business for a sleek, prosperous gentleman like Uncle Sam. The army is not supposed to rank with the penitentiary and convict camp class.—Greensboro News.

A pertinent query, is why? When one considers how the gold band officers are rolling in luxury, enjoying a class of living they could not obtain at any other calling, while the private is doing the crudgerly of camp life, cleaning spittoons and blacking the boots of the officers, it is kind of queer the government can not furnish the men with chicken. Uncle Sam had better cut out some of his luxuries for the army.

John R. Walsh the Chicago bank wrecker who was paroled from Leavenworth penitentiary a week ago, only had a brief breathing spell in the free air and then came death to relieve the aged financier. He died early Monday morning. The changed condition were too much of a shock for him in his aged and decrepit condition. Walsh was 74 years of age. He was simply a scape goat. There are thousands to day that should be wearing stripes that are not.

Dr. Harvey Wiley favors permitting women the privilege of voting. He takes the ground that all women who vote will vote right. Our impression is there is just as many bad women in this world as there are bad men. Sex has nothing to do with their moral qualities. A real bad woman is the worst thing that ever God created, and a good woman is the best. Men are never quite so good as the best, or quite so bad as the worst.

The great misfortune about woman suffrage, it will always be the brazen beastly character who will be quite sure to take advantage of suffrage, while the modest gentle lady will remain at home to exert her benign influence over her offspring. But the real tendency of woman suffrage when put in practice will be to exert a blighting influence upon the race.

"If the lid was lifted" is the heading of an article of some length in a Sunday edition of one of our Exchanges. If it was lifted there would be sights to sicken humanity. But wealth—wealth illegally acquired has helped to keep the lid down good and tight. Homes have been broken up, and the wild havoc of children taught to hate their fathers, that the mother might find a solace with her rich affinity is one result. Winston may boast of such a character today, and Raleigh may be proud of the hell rake that consummated the deal.

Prohibition in Maine.

New York Nation.
In Monday's vote in Maine, on the proposal to strike prohibition of the liquor traffic from the State constitution, the cities went strongly against prohibition; the country districts stood staunchly by the old policies. This does not necessarily imply that Bangor and Portland and Biddeford are as wicked as Sodom and Gomorrah. Nor does the vote of the rural sections prove that they are models of all the virtues. But the large towns and the villages gave a natural verdict upon the conditions as they have been affected by them. In the cities, the prohibition law has been too often a mixture of farce and failure. There has been not only drunkenness, but a great deal of beastly drunkenness. Maine seaports have had a bad name with naval officers, who have said that shoreleave there meant the worst kind of intoxication for the sailors. At points near the Canadian or New Hampshire line the going to and fro in search of intoxicants has long been notorious. One Sunday morning train from the north has had the nick name of the "Grand Drunk Line."

Averis Awful Tragedy.

Timely advice given Mrs. C. Wiloughby, of Marengo, Wis., (R. No. 1) prevented a dreadful tragedy and saved two lives. Doctors had said her frightful cough was a "consumption" cough and could do little to help her. After many remedies failed, her aunt urged her to take Dr. King's New Discovery. "I have been using it for some time," she wrote "and the awful cough has almost gone. It also saves my little boy when taken with a severe bronchial trouble." This matchless medicine has no equal for throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Mebane Drug Co.

Louisville's Notable

Meeting.

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Behind convention stand more than 800,000 voters, women who have full suffrage and stand on absolute equality with men.

The victory in California practically doubled the number of women voters in America and gave the equal suffrage movement an importance which thinking men and women the nation over cannot overlook. In commenting on the present movement to win votes for women the St. Louis Post-Dispatch says: Nashville Tennessean.

The moral influence of the California success must not be underestimated, and the women will be encouraged to make still stronger campaigns in other States.

There are now over 800,000 women in the country with full suffrage rights. No reform which has assumed such momentous proportions can be ignored. Women everywhere would do well to begin preparation for the new responsibilities they have demanded and must assume. They must be ready to redeem the promises they have made and that have made in their behalf.

Always Present.

Paquin models shown in New York have caused the startling announcement that "hips are coming back." We can not speak with certainty, of course, but we have strong suspicion that they have been there, to greater or less extent, all the time.—Columbia State.

One in Spirit.

Chester Lantern.
The American Tobacco company "officially" announces that it has divided into four parts and has dissolved in accordance with the orders of the supreme court of the United States. Does any one doubt that these four parts are not still of the same body? Such anti-trust methods will amount to nothing.

From Thanatopsis.

So live that when thy summons comes to join
That innumerable caravan, which moves
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death
Thou go not, like the quarry slave at night,
Scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.
—Bryant.

An Imperilled President.

The report that thirty-six sticks of dynamite were found under the abutments of a bridge on President Taft's route in Southern California will call attention anew to the dangers inevitably incurred by a travelling President.

The dynamite may not have been meant for the Taft train. The incident may be exaggerated. But by the very fact of his being a President on Wheels Mr. Taft is daily self-imperilled. He puts himself in greater jeopardy of reckless criminals such as those who have thrice wrought havoc in our history. He puts himself in peril of accident, which is no respecter of persons.

Since he was named Governor of the Philippines in 1900 Mr. Taft has travelled 275,000 miles, or more than the distance from the earth to the moon. He is now criss crossing the continent, distributing speeches and handshakes at almost every flag station. It is undignified. It is unnecessary. It is dangerous. Why travel so much?—New York World.

And Yet, Such Was a Fact.

If those friends of Judge Clark really want him appointed to the supreme court bench they are doing his cause no good by reminding the country that he is on Mr. Bryan's list of eligibles for the democratic presidential nomination.—Durham Herald.

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