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"MORAL ATROPHY" AT NEWPORT

The pleasant seaside town of Newport, R. I., is recognized as an important center of ultra-fashionable society. And Newport society, according to Rev. George Vernon Dickey, rector of St. George's church, has no apparent outward respect for the laws of the Creator. The Sabbath day is an occasion of "orgies," the institution of marriage is not sacred; gambling for high stakes at bridge is universal. No one can expect to have a good time unless able to play the game.

The Episcopal clergymen of Newport each read the following letter, signed by all, from their pulpits the day before yesterday:

"In view of the wide notoriety given through the press to social activities in Newport on the Lord's day, and recognizing that such activities have insensibly grown to such an extent as to encroach upon the hours of divine service and detract from the sacredness of the day and of the home, and furthermore as an unworthy example before the young, we, the undersigned, deeply concerned for the welfare of society and for the cause of Christ's religion, feel it a solemn duty to state, in a definite manner, the position of the church in the matter.

"Following the authority of Holy Scripture, the church has formulated the following canon, the obedience to which is incumbent upon every one of us.

"Canon 42 of the celebration of Sundays—All services in this church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, by regular participation in the public worship of the church, by hearing the word of God read and taught, and by other acts of devotion, and works of charity, using all Godly and sober conversation.

"We therefore urge the Christian people of Newport to abstain from such forms of amusements as infringe upon the proper observance of the Lord's day, and to recognize the duty of assisting the clergy in upholding its sacredness and in according to their Christian profession as living epistles read and known of all men."

A Sunday night ball, culminating in "an orgy" was the immediate occasion of the protest. Said Rev. Mr. Dickey:

"In view of the publicity given to Newport's social doings many might be led to believe that such things are typical of Newport and that the church tamely acquiesces in them without one word of protest. It was a peculiarly fitting time, therefore, to state the position of the church and to utter a protest and a warning.

"Possibly, and very likely, this protest will not help the matter very much. It is not likely to reach those whose conduct gave occasion for it. But let us not make the mistake of saying that all society is alike. There are many who come to Newport in the summer and mingle in its most exclusive set who are restive under such leadership as bring them into conflict with God's law.

"You will agree with me that it is very hard indeed to keep from following the lead of society when your interests are identified with society. But we know that there are men and women here who, though possessed of wealth and social position, are neither frivolous nor shallow, but, on the contrary, are trying to use their wealth and influence in the best way.

"There is a process of moral atrophy when moral perceptions become numb, the power of discrimination becomes dulled and men are unable correctly to judge conduct in accordance with true moral standards. We are in danger of just such a condition in this community. Evil does not correct itself.

"The wages of sin," says the Holy Scriptures, "is death." The whole tendency of wrongdoing is downward. I think the history of Newport's society will illustrate this pretty conclusively."

CONSERVATION OF THE WATER FLOW.
 Writing to the Hendersonville Times L. P. Ledbetter inquires if it would not be advisable for the United States government, through an act of congress, to purchase, condemn or lease a sufficient amount of land to build a dam at the mouth of the river.

each state and territory, with steel gates or locks to be closed in case of high water or partly so, and to be opened in case of droughts, in order to give a normal flow of water as needed.

It is his opinion that this "would save millions of dollars a year in case of high water, and also a great benefit when the water courses were low. Navigation would be benefited; factories could be run regularly; farms on the great streams would not be devastated; railroad property along and over the streams would be safer; thousands of lives both man and beast would be saved. Machinery of almost any kind could be used making a network throughout the country of trolley cars, electric lights for cities, towns and the rural districts could be greatly benefited. Fish could be multiplied by the millions. Alluvial soil that is drifted away could be saved, making this great country one inland sea. Think of the United States having forty or fifty thousand lakes at her command to be drawn upon or closed as need be. No two lakes to be on any stream for fear of accidents. Think of forty or fifty thousand lakes holding the capacity of the Mississippi river at New Orleans for several days pent up ready for use at any time."

The basis of some such idea must have been in the minds of many, recently, as the upland crops parched and died, while the hold mountain streams ran merrily along, carrying by millions and millions of gallons of water. The people now see the necessity of conserving the water flow by preserving a growth of vegetation on the headwaters; a lesson of the future may be the necessity of still further measures of conservation of the flow.

CONCERNING RATS.

Gibson county, Indiana, has annually a rat killing day. We are not advised as to the methods of warfare on the rodents; presumably prizes are offered for those who slay the greatest number of them.

The government statisticians estimate that the upkeep of a healthy rat amounts to two cents a day. The other day in Gibson county they killed 4000 of them, effecting a saving, on this basis, of \$30,000 a year.

WAYS OF THE RAILROAD.

It was Lawyer Plett who first lifted his voice against a piece of nonsense practiced on the Southern Railway. Trains running this way out of South Carolina. There is a law in that State requiring railway passenger cars to be equipped with wind and dust shields—small strips of sheet iron attached to the open windows. There is no such law in this state, so, when the train crosses the line the porter goes through the cars and takes out the screens. This piece of foolishness has come under the observation of Editor Johnson, of Charity and Children, and he incorporates it along with a summary of some other failings of railroad management. These observations are altogether worthy of being placed under the eyes of the railroad officials. "Charity and Children," says Editor Johnson, "had no sympathy whatever with the clamor in certain quarters against the railroads, and we rejoice to see a disposition in our courts of justice to deal more fairly with these great and useful corporations and to roll the robbers who attempt to hold them up; but while this is true the railroads themselves might do more than they do to make the public their friends. Why, for instance, do the railroads refuse to do a thing for the benefit and convenience of their patrons until they are forced to do so? They will not build a depot until they are ordered to do so by the corporation commission. It would seem the wiser policy to meet the needs of the public (which they are compelled to do at last) without forcing the people to whom they owe this improvement to run to Raleigh and get an order compelling them to do their duty. A law in South Carolina requires the railroads to provide protection from cinders and dust by placing a six inch board in the windows; as soon as the train crosses the line into North Carolina the porters are instructed to remove this slight protection and let the cinders fly. This is old-fashioned stupidity and even President Finley, cogent reasoner that he is, cannot justify such amazing folly. Sooner or later the law will compel the roads to provide this comfort; but why do they wait for the law? The chair cars are provided with screens at the windows which not only add to the comfort of the passengers but protects the property of the company. Why are the windows of the day coaches unprotected? Is it to drive passengers into the chair car where

Don't fail to visit the Mountain City Laundry Wednesday, 3 to 6 p. m. They've made big improvements. Additional floor space, light and ventilation. Three laundry coupon books given away. 130-21

Hospital Sunday Notes.
 (Contributed.)
 Contribution banks have been placed in many of the stores and are being placed in the hotels and boarding houses.

The public schools of the county are being asked to take the offering by grades on Friday, the 8th, or some other day that may suit them better.

A lady in West Asheville took a contribution bank because she had been cured in the Mission hospital. Said she was prejudiced against the hospital before she went, but now she will gladly do whatever she can for it.

The chief bell boy at one of the hotels of the city will take a bank because he had a brother treated there. Last year this same bell boy collected more than \$15 and paid it through the Y. M. I.

One of the leading grocermen of the city offered to post the Hospital Sunday announcements as he visits the different villages in the county. One of the city's policemen offered to do the same thing. Our county superintendent of schools is announcing the collection wherever he goes. All the superintendents and teachers are telling their pupils about it.

Collection envelopes, contribution banks (plans), information slips, post-ers and stickers and tickets may be had by applying to the secretary, telephone 359, 70 North French Broad avenue.

PURSE COMMENT.
 AN OLIVER OPTIC HERO.
 The wreck of the steamship Lexington developed an Oliver Optic hero in the boy of sixteen who climbed the rigging of the damaged ves-

sel to flash the wireless call for help. The storm having dismantled the ship's wireless equipment, the daring lad clambered up the mast, adjusted his instruments, and from his perilous perch summoned the revenue cutter Yamacraw to the rescue of the sixty passengers and crew.

This was a deed of boyish bravery and resourcefulness worthy of the best of our heroes. Apart from its romantic side, it is interesting as showing the great extension in the use at sea of wireless telegraphy and as affording new proof of the character of the operators. Has a single one of them flinched in the many emergencies in which they have won a rare distinction for devotion to duty?

Science's new toy of yesterday has now become indispensable to navigation. By its means spirits can literally be called from the vastly deep to the rescue of shipwrecked passengers and it has virtually removed the worst risk of sea travel. The extent to which boys have taken to the new vocation it has created has been remarked. The wireless was the invention of a youth just passed boyhood and boys are credited with experiments that have contributed to its development. To the boyish hero of the Lexington the world now owes a great tale that will cause a warm glow in the hearts of many of older growth.—New York World.

BACK TO BALTIMORE.
 If the latest information is not misleading Baltimore has already enough votes pledged to assure for it the next democratic national convention. The Washington Herald has repeated urged that Baltimore should have the convention, and now hope that such is actually to be the case.

But while we felicitate Baltimore, there is ample cause for congratulation among ourselves. The delegates and visitors to the national convention will come over to Washington for at least a brief visit, and thus Washington will share Baltimore's good fortune in having the democratic hosts in her midst. Baltimore was the great democratic center before the civil war. It is peculiarly appropriate that it should again by a democratic mecca.—Washington Herald.

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As there is often some one in your family who suffers an attack of Indigestion or some form of Stomach trouble why don't you keep some Diapsin in the house handy? This harmless blessing will digest anything you can eat without the slightest discomfort, and overcome a sour, gassy Stomach in five minutes after.

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Some folks have tried so long to find relief from Indigestion and Dyspepsia or an out-of-order stomach with the common, every-day cures advertised that they have about made up their minds that they have something else wrong, or better, that theirs is a case of Nervousness, Gastritis, Catarrh of the Stomach or Cancer.

This, no doubt, is a serious mistake. Your real trouble is, what you eat does not digest; instead, it ferments and sours, turns to acid, Gas and Stomach poison, which poisons in the digestive tract and intestines, and besides, poisons the breath with nauseous odors.

A hearty appetite, with thorough digestion, and without the slightest discomfort or misery of the Stomach, is waiting for you as soon as you decide to try Pape's Diapsin.

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The stock market lacked sufficient resiliency to throw off the effect of depression on foreign exchanges, which caused the break at the opening. Prices remained below Friday's close throughout the morning. Trading was on a comparatively small scale. The tone was heavy.

The temper of speculation underwent a change for the better. There was a notable rise in prices all around.

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Asheville Water 4s.	Bid.	Askd.
Beaumont Fur.	—	\$7.00
Citizens Bank	—	109.00
Universal Security, 6s 10.00	—	—
Universal Security, 4s 11.50	—	—
Wachovia B. & T. Co.	—	145.00
Wm. Brownell Mill.	16.00	—

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MOUNTAIN CITY LAUNDRY
 Phone 426.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY SCHEDULE, EFFECTIVE JUNE 12, 1911.
 Schedule figures published as information and are not guaranteed.
 Eastern Time.

ARRIVES FROM—	DEPARTS FOR—
No. 3 Lake Toxaway ... 6:15 p.m.	No. 4 Lake Toxaway ... 8:20 a.m.
No. 5 Lake Toxaway ... 11:30 a.m.	No. 6 Lake Toxaway ... 6:30 p.m.
No. 9 Savannah and Jacksonville ... 2:10 p.m.	No. 10 Savannah & Jacksonville ... 4:10 p.m.
No. 11 Washington & New York, Norfolk and Richmond ... 2:45 p.m.	No. 11 Cincinnati, St. Louis, Memphis and Louisville ... 3:05 p.m.
No. 12 Cincinnati & Louisville, St. Louis and Memphis ... 2:05 p.m.	No. 13 Washington & New York, Norfolk and Richmond ... 2:35 p.m.
No. 13 Charleston & Columbia ... 9:15 p.m.	No. 14 Atlanta & Charleston ... 7:00 a.m.
No. 18 Murphy and Waynesville ... 6:55 p.m.	No. 17 Waynesville & Murphy ... 8:30 a.m.
No. 20 Murphy and Waynesville ... 1:55 p.m.	No. 19 Waynesville & Murphy ... 3:20 p.m.
No. 22 Waynesville ... 9:00 a.m.	No. 21 Waynesville ... 7:55 p.m.
No. 21 Goldsboro and Raleigh ... 7:40 a.m.	No. 22 Raleigh & Goldsboro ... 9:05 a.m.
No. 23 Terrell and Black Mountain ... 8:10 a.m.	No. 24 Terrell and Black Mountain ... 6:45 p.m.
No. 27 Charleston & Columbia ... 7:34 p.m.	No. 27 Cincinnati and Chicago ... 7:50 p.m.
No. 28 Cincinnati & Chicago ... 10:15 a.m.	No. 28 Columbia & Charleston ... 10:25 a.m.
No. 25 Wash., N. Y. and Richmond ... 2:30 a.m.	No. 25 Memphis & Chattanooga ... 10:30 p.m.
No. 26 Memphis & Chattanooga ... 6:50 a.m.	No. 26 Washington, Richmond & New York 7:10 a.m.
No. 41 Charleston, Macon and Atlanta ... 7:00 a.m.	No. 42 Atlanta, Macon and New Orleans ... 8:30 p.m.
No. 3-41 New Orleans ... 10:30 a.m.	No. 102 Bristol, Knoxville and Chattanooga ... 7:20 a.m.
No. 101 Bristol, Knoxville and Chattanooga ... 10:25 p.m.	

*N. B. No coach passengers handled on 3-41, and train stops to discharge passengers only.

Through sleeping cars daily to and from New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Richmond, Norfolk, Charleston (S), Cincinnati (S), Memphis (S), Atlanta, Macon, Jacksonville, Savannah, St. Louis, Louisville.

Through sleeping cars to and from New Orleans via Atlanta and I. & N. Ry., arriving at 2-41 on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, returning, leaving Asheville at same dates.

Through sleeping cars to and from New Orleans via Chattanooga and Queen and Crescent, arriving Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays, returning Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Through chair car Augusts to Asheville trains 13 and 14.

Through chair cars Goldsboro and Waynesville, trains 17 and 20.

Through coach daily Charlotte to Asheville daily trains 9 and 10.

Chair cars Asheville to Lake Toxaway trains 5 and 6.

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