

Clinch It.

In a recent address Mark Twain spoke as follows on the error of rousing sentiment and not at once utilizing it:

"It's a great mistake," he said, "to get everybody ready to give money and then not pass the hat. Some years ago in Hartford we all went to the church on a hot, sweltering night, to hear the annual report of Mr. Hawley, a city miserly man, who went around finding the people who were not helping and didn't ask for it. He told of the cellars where poverty resided, and gave instances of the laziness and devotion of the poor. The poor are always good to each other. When a man with millions gives, we make a great deal of noise. It's noise in the wrong place, for it's the widow's mite that counts.

"Well, Hawley worked us up to a great state. I couldn't wait for him to get through. I had \$4.00 in my pocket. I wanted to give that and borrow more to give. You could see greenback in every eye. But he didn't pass the plate, and it grew hotter and we grew sleepier. My enthusiasm went down, down, down—\$1.00 at a time—till finally when the plate came round I stole ten cents out of it! So you see a neglect like this may lead to crime."

Was Sanctification the Cause?

A Randolph county officer tells the Greensboro Record that he has recently taken, at different times, five insane people from Randolph to the State Hospital at Morganton; that five more are now in jail at Asheboro and will be taken to Morganton as soon as room can be found for them, and that all of these ten lost their reason on account of sanctification. The same day the following dispatch appeared in the papers from Fort Mill, S. C.:

"Rev. J. Barr Harris, a young preacher who gained considerable prominence in upper South Carolina through his revival meetings, wherein he ardently preached sanctification, has been convicted of sedition in Montana and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Previous to his conviction he was charged with another case of like nature."

All of which moves us to say that it is well to keep an eye on a man who professes perfection in this sinful world. Some of those people are simply crazy while others use the holiness cloak to more effectually serve the devil.

The Newspaper Trust.

The biggest trust on earth is the newspaper trust. It trusts everybody, gets cussed for trusting, mistrusted for cussing, and if it busts for trusting gets cussed for busting.

Engaged.

Visitor—Is Miss Ranking in?
Servant—Yes, sir.
Visitor—Is she engaged?
Servant—Yes, sir; but the gentleman ain't here this evening. Come in.

A TRAGEDY IN TEXAS.

State Comptroller Love Shot to Death by a Former Employee of the Office, who is Accidentally Killed by a Shot from His Own Pistol.

Austin, Tex., June 30.—Frenzied by supposed wrongs, W. G. Hill, an ex-attaché of the State Comptroller's office, this morning a few minutes past 10 o'clock, entered the private office of State Comptroller Love and killed him by means of a large calibre revolver. Hill turned to flee, he was intercepted by Chief Clerk Stevens, of the Department, who engaged him in a scuffle, during which his revolver was accidentally exploded. The bullet entered Hill's abdomen, causing a wound from which he died at 3 o'clock this afternoon, three hours after the death of the man whose life he sought.

Thus, in brief, as told, is the story of the tragedy, the first assassination ever chronicled in the Texas capital. The shooting has thrown the town and State in a commotion, but the death of the assassin, as well as his victim, has closed the story in one chapter.

As to what caused the shooting no one can explain other than that it was the act of a madman. Hill had been an employe of the Comptroller's office for ten years preceding Love's term of office. He was let out by Mr. Love when the latter took charge, and it is presumed that this fact preyed upon his mind until he went insane. This morning he went to the capital, entered Mr. Love's private office, spoke to him cheerfully, shook hands, and handing him a letter to read, set down at the invitation of the Comptroller. No sooner had Mr. Love begun to read the letter than Hill sprang to his feet and fired two shots into the body of Mr. Love, one taking effect just above the heart, the other immediately below the heart. Mr. Love screamed, dropped the letter and sank to the floor.

Hill seeing that his purpose had been accomplished, turned to make for the door. He was intercepted by Chief Clerk Stevens, who grappled with him and was wrestling with him when Hill's pistol was accidentally discharged, the bullet entered Hill's abdomen. He fell a dead weight in Stevens' arms, and was lowered gently to the floor, where he lay until taken to the hospital. He died at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Love was given all immediate attention possible, but died within an hour after the shooting.

The letter that Hill gave to Love reads as follows:

"Austin, Texas, June 30, 1903.
"Col. R. M. Love, State Comptroller."

"Dear Sir: Public office is a public trust. Public officers are created for the service of the people and not for aggrandizement of a few individuals. The practice of bartering Department clerkships for private gain is a disgrace to the public, and in this nefarious traffic you are a record-breaker. You have robbed the State employes and your incompetent administration has prompted others to rob the State. The man who, claiming to be a Christian, deprives others of employment without cause, is a base hypocrite and a tyrant. The greatest mind that ever gave its wisdom to the world; the mind, of all others, most capable of unpinning the mantle between right and wrong," said, "You take my life when you take from me the means by which I live." If that be true, you are a murderer of the deepest crime. Although I cannot help myself, before laying life's burdens down, I shall strike a blow—feeble though it be—for the good of my deserving fellowmen.

"For the right against the wrong.
"For the weak against the strong.

Yours truly,
(Signed) "W. G. Hill."

Mr. Hill is a quiet and gentlemanly person and was never known to have been addicted to any bad habits. At the time of the shooting he was holding a good position here in the city, so that dire war could not have instigated the frenzy that prompted the shooting. It is the opinion of all that it was the act of an insane man. Immediately after the shooting and while Hill was still lying in the corridor, a bottle of laudanum was taken from his pocket, and, reaching for it, he said: "Let me take that and die easy."

This has led many to believe that he contemplated suicide, following his shooting of the Comptroller. Both men have families surviving them. Comptroller Love's remains were shipped to-night to his old home in Limestone county for interment and Hill's remains will be buried here tomorrow.

Brutally Tortured.

A case came to light that for persistent and unmerciful torture has perhaps never been equaled. Joe Golobick (Colusa, Calif., writes: For 15 years I endured insufferable pain from Rheumatism and nothing relieved me though I tried everything known. I came across Electric Bitters and it's the greatest medicine on earth for that trouble. A few bottles of it completely relieved and cured me." Just as good for Liver and Kidney trouble and general debility. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by English Drug Co.

The Egg Damage Suit.

Referring to the case of Seawell, who was given \$4,500 damages against the Seaboard Air Line because he was pelted with eggs at the company's depot in Shelby, the Asheville Citizen says this decision appears to be about the limit in suing the company. Whereupon the Raleigh Post submits the following remarks:

Not by any means. We may next hear that two old women have sassed each other across the right of way of a railroad and the company sued for mental anguish or permitting disorderly conduct on the "public highway."

The assault on Mr. Seawell was a cowardly one and each participant therein should be made to serve a year on the county chain gang. But that the employers of the roddy or rowdies, who were neither present nor in any way parties thereto, should be mulcted of money as damages is a wrong, a very gross wrong, we care not whether statistics as made and provided permit such or not. If a person goes into a store and gets thrashed or insulted by a clerk—the proprietor knowing nothing of it—the victim will only have to sue the merchant or owner for damages rather than prosecute the real party for the assault. If the private secretary of the Governor should feel called upon to knock a party over in the hall of the capital, the Governor would be liable for damages because he is responsible for the private secretary and the scrimmage occurred upon property at least for the time being under the control of the Governor. And the State being responsible for the Governor, there can scarcely be any doubt but that the complainant would gain his suit—the State "being rich and able to pay." Or a person who is knocked down in a town would be entitled to damages from the town because it is the duty of the police to preserve order and protect all persons from injury and insult.

The truth—the living truth—is that a large number of these judgments against the company cannot be justified by any honest construction or observation of the great commandment, which says, "Thou shalt not steal." Many of the judgments are nothing short of robbery, because "the company is able and can be made to pay." It were time the public conscience were revolting against this species of injustice. The thing has been run to seed long ago.

Boys, Read This.

Illness is the devil's own workshop, and especially is this true of boys. We never feel sorry for the boy who has to work, even if it be to help make a living for himself and family; but we pity the boy who has nothing to do, and whose parents are able to keep him from having to labor. The boy who may work and get only a stipend of a dollar or even less per week, is learning a trade, and, what is more, learning habits of industry. It is often the boys who begin early the life of industry that make the successful men of the nation. The boy who waits until he grows, or until he acquires an education, before he begins to labor or learn a profession, is apt to start in life handicapped and outstripped by his seemingly less fortunate competitor who started in ahead of him. It pays a boy better in the long run to work for twenty-five cents a week and learn a trade, with habits of application to business, than to do nothing and be supported at the expense of his parents. Boys, do something, be something.

A certain young man took his girl to church. The evening was warm and the young lady complained of feeling faint. The young gentleman smiled sweetly upon her and took something from his vest pocket and whispered to keep the tablet in her mouth. She shyly placed it under her tongue, rolled it over and over but it failed to dissolve. She felt much better however. When the services were over she slipped the tablet into her glove, being desirous of examining the indissoluble little substance that her "steady" had given her in the house of worship. When alone in her room she pulled off her glove and out fell a trouser button. She is looking for a new fellow now.

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Cotton Has Advanced Legitimately With Other Products—All Indications Point to a Short Crop. While the Supply is Short, and 12,000,000 Bales Would Not be Too Much to Meet the Demand.

This is not a matter of speculation. We are merchants of cotton and have been for a good many years. I have been a bull on cotton ever since it was selling at 12 cents. Cotton has simply gone up in common with other values. When cotton sold at 44 cents other things were low. Iron has gone from 20 a ton to as much as \$26 in this period and is not subject to drought or to boll weevil. All you have to do is to dig the ore from the ground and turn it into pig iron. Cotton is selling at its present price because it is statistically worth it. Last fall I predicted that this crop would be about 10,750,000 bales, and it is being demonstrated that my prediction was about right. The requirements of trade are very much more than that. Conditions entirely warrant present prices, for cotton has never failed to sell around present prices with the statistical condition anything like as strong as the present one. There is not only a famine in cotton, but there is a famine in dry goods now. If the mills shut down, of course that will add very much to the present scarcity of dry goods supplies. Although manufacturers and jobbers of dry goods complain that they can't sell goods on the present basis of raw material, this will eventually regulate itself. Consumers must pay the prices or go without the goods, and we know they won't do that. Trade all over the world was scarcely ever better and the consuming world is in condition to pay high prices. It is a mistaken idea that cotton has failed to present prices. A legitimate demand and the strong statistical position have put prices where they are. If this were not the case I wouldn't be buying cotton at the present prices; in other words, if prices had been forced up, and the actual stuff could not be sold at the present prices, I would say that cotton was dangerously high.

As to the new crop, it is exceedingly late. This adds very much to an already strong situation, as we cannot expect much new cotton now until late in September. As to the size of the new crop, it is entirely too early to say much, though we know a late crop is subject to a great many more vicissitudes than an early one. For instance, there are three things that could make this crop a failure: a great deal of rain during the next few weeks, or a severe drought during July and August, or an early frost. On the other hand, if none of these things happen and we have perfect conditions all the way through and a very late fall, we might make an average crop. But it is easily to be seen that the odds are against this year's crop turning out an average one and the world needs a big crop, a very big crop. Eleven and a half million to twelve million bales would not be any too much. In fact, with a crop of not over 11,500,000 bales, I think prices will range high all during next season. The whole truth of the matter is, consumption has overtaken production and there is not much of either the raw material or manufactured goods on hand.

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Saving Strength. A lady was watching a potter at his work, whose foot was kept with "never slackening speed turning his swift wheel round," while the other rested patiently on the ground. When the lady said to him, in a sympathizing tone, "How tired your foot must be!" the man raised his eyes and said: "No, mad'am, it isn't the foot that stands; it's the foot that stands." That's it.

If you want to keep your strength, use it: if you want to get tired, do nothing. It is the last man to go for a helping hand for any new undertaking who has plenty of time on his hands. It is the man and woman who are doing most who are always willing to do a little more.

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Took Her Child.

Near Robinson church in Crab Orchard township lives Mrs. John Wilson with her three children. Saturday night about 10 o'clock two negroes passed the Wilson home and stopped. One went in and grabbed the youngest child, an infant of about 12 or 14 months of age, and ran in the direction of the woods. The other negro went in another direction. Mrs. Wilson ran after the man but could not catch him. She screamed but her cries only served to quicken the pace of the fleeing negro. She ran until she was completely exhausted, but never overtook the negro with her child. She returned home and gave the alarm. Several went in search of the negro and baby, but could learn nothing of either.

Early Sunday morning the child was found in a deep hollow, some distance from its mother's home. The little one was fast asleep, having cried until thoroughly exhausted. Aside from this it was not injured in the slightest.

Mrs. Wilson does not know the negro's name nor does she ever remember seeing him previous to Saturday night.

Mr. R. P. C. Barnett, who was in Charlotte today, informed the News man of the outrageous conduct of the negro. Mr. Barnett states that the mother of the child searched all Saturday night but could learn nothing of her baby's whereabouts. Early Sunday morning the child was taken back to its mother after lying in a hollow all night.

Moral Suasion vs. Hickory Switch.

Moral suasion and gentleness are the prevailing fads in the rearing of children. Those of us who have come to middle, mature age, and have seen five families of children brought up under vigorous and frequent application of the birch rod, or the slipper, or hickory switch, or peach twig or leather strap, or whatever happened to be handy, are wearied by the talk we see and hear of the iniquity and horror of a sound thrashing administered at the right time. That fine old philosopher, King Solomon, is denounced as savage because he believed that the young of the human kind needed to be made to understand things through their hides.

By the way, it is one of the most curious of our frailties how exactly and literally we adhere to the Scriptures when they seem to fit our notions of things and how loathly we ignore them or plausibly explain them away when they seem to go contrary to our fads. The scientific child culturists, the woman's rightsists and our friends, the prohibitionists and the anti-prohibitionists, are notable especially for these ingenious methods.

We are told that it is a crime to strike a child. Eloquent people, some of whom make a specialty of not believing in God, tell us how barbaric it is to undertake to rule by fear; and we are forced to listen, notwithstanding the fact that any of us may be conscious in our own persons of the beneficial influence of corporal punishment administered to us in our youth.

The fundamental weakness about all these fads is the amiable inability with which they ignore the facts of human nature and undertake to measure the entire race with the same little half bushel measure.

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RILEY BROCK KILLED.

Man Who Married Divorced Child Wife of Gen. Clay Ran Over by a Train.

Riley Brock, who married the divorced wife of Gen. Marcellus Custis Clay of Whitehall, was run over by a train and killed at Long view, Ill., where he had gone with his wife at a recent reunion with the divvies in this city. Brock, since marrying Mrs. Clay, has remained about the country, living at one place or another for some time.

Recently some counterfeit money was put into circulation here and Brock and another man were arrested, but it appeared they only had secured the money and had not passed any of it, and they were released.

Brock then went to Illinois to live. He married the child wife of Gen. Clay only a few weeks after Gen. Clay had divorced her, and received a home in Woodford county from the general, who sought to make Gen. Brock comfortable by bestowing upon them nearly all of the rare pictures and bric-a-brac he had gathered during his stay at St. Petersburg, where he was United States minister for several years.

Gen. Clay gave them and so that they might read it out and live on the income, but Brock soon tired and sold everything, including the presents given to his child wife, Gen. Clay. The general then sent the girl to come back to Whitehall, and she went, but insisted upon having her husband remain there also. Gen. Clay dismissed her and she followed. A telegram received here tonight said that the girl expects to find a home at Whitehall and will return to Gen. Clay.

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Regarding the phenomenal rise in the price of gold by the Western Gold and Silver Mining Company at the Baltimore mine in St. Mary's county, recently reported in The Chronicle, Mr. Frank H. Manney of Gold Hill, one of the most experienced men in the South and thoroughly conservative and reliable in his statements, said today that it was probably the richest ever made in the South. Mr. Manney said that \$50,000 worth of gold was in sight and how much more remained to be seen, perhaps an immense amount.

Large beds of the ore contain \$50,000 a ton. The two-foot vein containing the rich ore and large masses of the nearly pure metal was struck a second time yesterday afternoon at a depth of slightly more than 100 feet from the first level, making the second level drive into the vein from the parallel shaft. The first level was at a depth of 55 feet.

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