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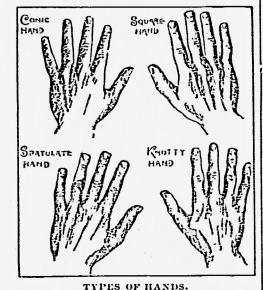
SHAPE OF THE HAND.

It Shows Characteristics and Tedde

What the shape of the hand means as an index character is a subject of common debate in which opinions are so far divided that one party says it means nothing at all, another that it means everything. The experienced palmist lays down certain rules which he believes cover the subject. What these rules are Sir Henry Onequi in a signed article in the New York Journal has briefly stated. His statement is as follows: The shape of the hand as a whole and

the construction and shape of the five digits give an unvarying and unalterable indication of character. From cheiromancy, or the study of the lines of the palms, we are able to expound the events of a man's life and the inner shades of character. From cheirognomy, or the study of the shape of a man's hand, we can deduce his main characteristics and chief bent in life. Before entering into the four principal types of hands there are a few general indications of interest. A large hand indicates a love of detail and order; a small hand impulsiveness and a preference for generalities rather than detail. A narrow, skinny hand denotes timidity and a feeble mind; a hand too large and thick, however, denotes the opposite of these character-Istics and shows brutality and low intelligence. Ill-luck and misery are shown by a deep, hollow palm. If the fingers of the hand fit closely together the owner is a varicious. If, on the contrary, they show wide chinks between them the owner is excessively sympathetie and very curious. Transparent fingers show indiscretion.

The most common types of hands are known to the palmist as the square, the knotty, the conic and the spatulate. These four types may be studied from the illustrations given here. Their



names are derived from the general appearance of the fingers, which give to the whole hand its predominant characteristics.

who loves order, arrangement, and symmetry. The knotty hand belongs to the philosopher. The owner would be fond of meditation and deduction, science, research and absolute truth. He would be calculating and always seeking for reason in things. The conic hand belongs to the artist. It denotes bril-Hancy, enthusiasm, generosity and love of beauty. The spatulate hand belongs to the man of action and resolution. Men with spatulate hands take naturally to commerce, agriculture, mechanics and applied science. The spatulate hand means self-confidtnce and self-reliance. Its owner will be constant and faithful, persevering and energetic.

By becoming familiar with these four chief types of hands one can usually tell at a glance the character of any one with whom he has to deal. A comnlete treatise on cheirosophy would, of course, go much deeper and more minutely into the subject. But for practical purposes the four types given here furinsh a very full index to the character of those with whom we come in contact.

Nelson's Wonderful Feat. Writers of historical reminiscences have to be masters of a certain amount

of accurate information about their heroes if they wish to avoid mistakes. If they are not, they are sure to "get Not long since a reviewer in the Lon-

don Times, writing of a book named "Roving Commissions," related on his own account the following episode of Nelson, the great admiral:

French fleet he was informed of the enemy heaving in sight, at which information Nelson evinced the highest satisfaction, and gleefully rubbed his

As a correspondent of the Times points out, this incident occurred in 1805. Nelson lost his right arm in the attack on Santa Cruz, Teneriffe, in 1707—eight years prior to his pursuit of Ellleneuvo's fleet. It would have been, therefore, a difficult matter for him to "zub his hands" in 1805.

'Why knows how soon we may find somebody working a paying mine right in our midst?" editorially asks the Danielsville (Ga.) Argus. If any man attempts to do that shoot him on the

Chinese Justice for Pirates. They make short work of pirates in China. In July last a vessel in charge of Chung Kwel, the son of a wealthy merchant at Singapore, while on its way to Cauton, was selzed and run aground by pirates and looted of its full cargo of silks and money. The Canton authorities immediately sent a gunboat down the river and the pirates, twenty in number, were captured. They were taken in triumph to San Ling, near Canton, and were condemned by a milltary tribunal and beheaded in the course of a few hours.

When people throw an elecutionary note into their voices, it will not do to bank on their sincerity.

That Settles It.

With the bloom and beauty of the season its balmy airs and delightful temperature, we feel like living with new life, and are therefore often very careless in taking care of ourselves. It is this forgetfulness that lays us liable to attacks of rheumatism, the more liable because we think there is little danger of its coming on, but rheumatism is an easy thing to take and sometimes a hard thing to get rid of unless we take the advice of others and learn that the best way pos-sible is to use St. Jacobs Oil. It has been used so long as a sure cure that this advice is given in good faith from the testimony of

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A Suit Without a Parallel. Memphis, Tenn., lawyers have brought suit in Weakley County for damages for defamation of character, alleged to be contained in an epitaph cut on a tombstone. Such a cause for action is probably unheard of in the and took particular notice of both annals of the courts of the country. In listed and checked corn, taking into December, 1896, L. B. Cate was shot and killed by one Bill Penic. Penic of seasons, and find that listed corn was indicted and tried on the charge of murder. He was defended by the same lawyers who are now acting for him In this civil suit. The accused was ac- fall list, list deep and that takes half quitted on the plea of self-defense. The parents of the deceased, L. B. Cate, and there are your ridges to freeze thought to honor his memory by erecting a suitable tombstone over his grave, and having cut in the marble a legend setting forth some of the circumstances of his taking off. The following was cut on the tombstone:

"L. B., son of J. C. and L. J. Cate. Born April 10, 1870. Married Willie Freeman December 21, 1887. Was shot and killed by Bill Penic December 11, 1896; caused by Penic swearing to a lle on Cate's wife. Aged 26 years 8

months and 1 day." It is alleged by Penic that this stone was lettered by J. H. Hutchinson, of Martin, and it is alleged that the stone was exposed to public gaze in the yard of Hutchinson for quite a while before it was erected at the head of the grave containing the remains of the deceased Cate. Since the vindication of Penic by the trial jury in Weakley County he has sought reparation for the wording of this tombstone. The complainant seeks damages from the sculptor and the father of the deceased in the sum of \$10,000.

### NO WOMAN IS EXEMPT.

Regularity is a matter of importance in every woman's life. Much pain is, however, endured in the belief that it is necessary and not alarming, when in truth it is all wrong and indicates derangement that may cause serious trouble.

Excessive monthly pain itself will unsettle the nerves and make women

old before their time. The foundation of woman's health is a perfectly normal and regular performance of nature's function. The statement we print from Miss Gen-TRUDE SIKES, of Eldred, Pa., is echoed in every city, town and hamlet in this country. Read what she says:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I feel like a new person since following your advice, and think it is my duty to let the public know the good your remedies have done me. My troubles were painful menstruation and leucorrhæa. I was nervous and had spells of being "While in chase of Villeneuve's confused. Before using your remedies never had any faith in cines. I now wish to say that I never had anything do me so much good for painful menstruction as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; also would cay that your Sanative Wash has cured me of leucorrhoea. I hope these few

words may help suffering women." The present Mrs. Pinkham's experience in treating female ills is unparalteled, for years she worked side by side with Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham, and for sometime past has had sole charge of the correspondence department of her great business, treating by letter as many as a hundred thousand ailing

women during a single year. All suffering women are invited to write freely to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., for advice about their health.

AGRICULTURAL

Hens Should Be Kept Busy. Elving over a fence on the part of hens is a matter of education. A flock arabesque, Greek key, trefoil, clover, in a vard may be able to go over the floral, and purely conventional device fence, but do not know it; they are afraid to attempt it. But let one hen go over and she will be found outside and small pelerines just brought to every day, and will soon teach all of the others. A fence seven feet high is sufficient. If the hens go over i as if this were the initial season of its they will also go over a nine-foot fence, or a fourteen-foot fence. Like are raised. To keep hens from flying, make them work. Give them

human beings it depends on how they something to do. Idleness is the cause of all vices among poultry, such as feather pulling, flying, egg-eating, etc.—Southern Farmer.

Preserving the Grain of Butter. Purchasers of the best grades of proper amount of salt without breakthe butter the churning should be stopped when the butter granules are the size of wheat grains. Handle and work the butter as little as possible and you will do much to preserve the grain so desirable.—Atlanta Journal.

A well known veterinarian of New York in an address before a farmers' institute, gave some interesting and time, whenever convenient. Very useful information regarding sheep, likely a long-sleeved silk undervest from which the following useful points | will be advisable to equalize circulawere taken: The breeding ewe more tion. Do not use pomade to whiten than any other, needs exercise. A the arms. Squeeze the juice of three sheep's weak points are the head and lemons into a pint of hot milk; wash lungs. Sheep crave a wider variety the arms very clean and sponge them of food than any other of the domestic with the lotion. When nearly dry animals, and some succulent food is wash off with warm water and soap. highly desirable for ewes, but don't Repeat this often as you like for days, pay high prices for concentrated foods until the skin whitens to suit. The r so-called condition powders. Get lemon and milk may be covered in a

oil meal, and mix with wheat bran to help the ration.

Referring to scab among sheep which has gained a strong foothold in the country, the speaker made this the country, the speaker made this pertinent suggestion: Have sheep rom the stock yard dipped before thirty-seven clubs and about 1700 leaving and again on their arrival at the farm. Then watch closely and if one is seen pulling its wool catch it, shear the spot and apply the dip, rubbing it in with a brush. The scab is not hard to kill if it can be gotten at, but it is frequently found under the scarf skin. Recent experiments have demonstrated that the scab can endure and multiply in sandy soil where scabby sheep have been, and clean sheep may contract it by lying where

Listed Corn Is Profitable and Why. 1. Because more corn can be raised er acre than checked corn.

2. Because it takes less labor than checked corn. 3. Because a man can tend a third

nore at least than he can of checked 4. Because he can shuck more listed corn than checked corn, because it tands straight and is less liable to olow down or tangle owing to the brace roots being in the ground instead of being above the ground, as is

usual in checked corn. 5. If you wish to cut your corn with cutter it is another great advantage, ecause it does not pull up as easy as hecked corn.

If you want to sow fall grain you can sow in listed corn where you could not in checked corn, as, if plowed properly, the corn should not be ridged the last plowing. I listed corn for eight years in Ne-

braska and experimented a great deal consideration everything in all kinds was best and cheapest. Take off your drill attachments in the fall and go into your stubble and

the work in the fall off fall plowing, and thaw all winter, and if any weed seeds blew across the field during the fall and winter, when you commence to list in the spring you cover them deep by listing out those ridges and you also have loose dirt to throw to your corn all the season, and you should never put a harrow on listed

In plowing listed corn use a box made like a sled with runners about six or eight inches apart in front and about half the width behind; box beend of the beam in front, and let your inside shovels rest against the box; and let the shovels down lower than the outside ones; turn them to throw the dirt away from the corn and the outside ones to throw it it.

A disc cultivator may be used the same way, except you put a rod be-tween the beams to hold them to their place; this is for the first time culti-

You are less liable to hurt listed corn in plowing it in dry, hot weather than checked corn, for the little fine oots that you see gather on the plow shanks when laying it by are deeper n the ground than in checked corn. I hardly think listed corn would lo in this State (Iowa) for the subsoil s different, but in Nebraska or Kansas I think it is the successful way of raising corn.—"fowa Farmer," Farm, Field and Fireside.

Farm and Garden Notes. The old wood should be cut out of he raspberry and blackberry planta-

ions. It is a job very often neglect-New ground is the remedy, or conine the chicks to a large yard, and where a good coat of air-slaked lime has been plowed under and the surface of the turned-up dirt has received

another lighter coat. Stale baker's bread can usually be had for fifty cents a barrel, and, if not moldy, makes an excellent chicken food if soaked in milk and then squeezed out pretty dry. Only soak what is needed for a meal at one time. Sows about to farrow should be looked after closely, that a cold night or a stormy day does not eatch the little porkers with a chill and take the life from them. A little watchfulness

now may bring big returns next fall. A few oats given the calves and yearlings and the sheep just now will

WEEKLY SERMONS.

Braiding in vermicelli, French REV. DR. TALMAGE. appears on many of the very styles. imported costumes, redingotes, jackets, view; and the new effects produced by this graceful form of decoration arouse quite as great a degree of admiration

A Woman's Clubhouse for Boston. A woman's clubhouse organization has been formed in Massachusetts. with Mrs. Julia Ward Howe as president, for the purpose of erecting in Boston a handsome building to be used by the women's clubs throughout the state. The site will be central. and the first floor rented for stores. butter demand that the grain of the Another floor will be devoted to reproduct be up to the standard, and staurant, banquet hall, lunchroom, this is not a matter with which the kitchen, pantry and serving room care or feed of the animal has any- also general reception-room, tea-room thing to do, but depends wholly on and private dining-room for parties. the management of the butter before One feature is to be a large assembly churning and during that process. It hall, with balcony, seating 800 persons, consists of ridding the butter of but- and public reception and writingtermilk and incorporating in it the rooms will be provided. Two floors are designed for sleeping-rooms, with ing the natural granules of fat. In convenient private baths. A roof garshort, to secure the proper grain in den also is projected. The shares are \$50 each, nonassessable.

WOMAN'S WORLD'

Graceful Form of Decoration.

They should be washed from the arm-pits down each night in hot water with a teaspoonful of ammonia to the

quart, and good soap, with towel friction afterward, and exercised by bringing them together at full length above the head for five minutes at a

ized State Federation of Women's Clubs, representing a membership of women. The organization was practically effected at Bridgeport last spring, where the women's clubs of Connecticut assembled at the invitation of the Literary Club of that city. The first regular meeting was held on December 8, at Bridgeport, and gave evidence of deep interest on the part of all concerned and a bright outlook for good things, for the future. Mrs. T. K. Noble, of because you are sure to find them if you look long enough, than to look for bad Norwalk, is the President of the State federation; Mrs. H. H. Pyle, of grumbling because they are bad. If God Bridgeport, Vice-President; Mrs. D.
S. Pinero, of Norwalk, Corresponding
Secretary, and Mrs. W. A. King, of
Williamntic, Treasurer. The Chairman of State Correspondence for the the Almighty for not giving him what he thinks he ought to have. general federation is Mrs. W. R. Hopson, of Bridgeport.—Trenton (N. J.) look on the dark side of life, for that de-

The Advance of Dutch Women. Most people think that the Dutch are a stationary, if not a retrograde, people, but in one respect at least they are ahead of most European nations. In the little monarchy, which has a queen for its head, women during the last ten years have made ing the last ten years have made use. Life is not all gladness, but sadness greater progress than perhaps any is the hot fire in which the Toledo blade is other nation in Europe. Next year, in token of this progress, Dutch women will hold a World's Fair at The ties and industries. Side by side there has been an advance in the po- is ready to drop by the wayside. litical field. This year, says the Humanitarian, the Government has ing them eligible to nearly all municipal offices. In Holland, women have learned the advantage of co-operation and organization, and instead of other countries, they have worked to- faith bright and pure. gether, with a result that they are winning all along the line.

The Queen of Spain's Busy Life. Spain is essentially a lazy country. In all ranks the people rise late and turn night into day; but the queen regent—a tall, graceful woman, looking younger than her years—sets them an excellent example. Up at 7, her first care is given to her children, and by S o'clock she is already at about twelve or fourteen inches deep, | work with her secretary. It is only after lunch, toward 2 o'clock, that she allows herself an hour of well-earned rest. And some idea of Queen ing about three feet long; fasten a Christina's thoroughness may be rope to each runner, and to about the gained by the fact that she no longer speaks German-her native tonguesave to those few Teutons who find

their way to Madrid. When she first came a bride from Vienna to Spain she had mastered but imperfectly the language. Now she talks Spanish correctly, and has, alone and unaided, acquired a real knowledge of the splendid literature of her adopted country. When speaking of her son she seldom refers to him as "his majesty" or "the king," usually it is, "my hoy" or "my little one. She makes no outward difference be tween the three children, but it is easy to see that her heart is specially bound up in Alfonso XIII.—London

Figaro. Fashion Notes.

Lace which has become yellow with age is exactly the right tint required Pale pink afternoon and evening gowns are daintily finished with a

belt of delicate violet velvet. Miniatures of historical personages, set around with diamonds, are very fashionable for wedding gifts. Fleur de soie is a soft, glossy silk

very durable, and light in weight, delightful to the touch, and well recom-

mended for wear.

The bolero, in all sizes and shapes, is to be worn again, and it is sometimes made of lace, quite close fitting in the back and full in front.

The new foulard silks are supplied with a border which furnishes all the necessary trimming, with possibly a little lace and ribbon for the finish on the waist. Sets of buckles in steel, gold or sil-

one for the belt. Lace shawls are also used for skirt drapery over satin dinner gowns. The

bring them out in the spring in better shape than a clear ration of hay, straw or corn stalks. Try it on one pen if you do not wish to take our statement for it.

After the chicks get three weeks old wheat and cracked corn may be given once or twice a day. Feed twice as much wheat as corn and—will we have to say it again?—feed on a clean board and only what the chicks will clean up in, say, five minutes:

Lace shaws are had used for skirt drapery over satin dinner gowns. The drapery over satin dinner gowns. The the study of society I have come to this conclusion, that the most of the people want to be good, but they do not exactly know how to make it out. They make show how to make it out. They make the back, and at either side.

Tucks as yet have lost none of their prestige in the shuffle of fashion which is going on, and on bodices and skirts are quite as lavishly tucked as ever. It their temptations should come out in a regiment and fight them in a fair field they would go out in the strength and triumph of David and Golinth. But they do not see the regiments. Temptation comes and says:

"Take these bitters, take this nervine, jake this aid to digestion take this nervine,

AN IMPRESSIVE DISCOURSE BY

The Rev. George H. Hepworth's Sunday Sermon in the New York Herald is Entitled "Things Not Worth While."-Dr. Talmage Preaches on Unfair Conduct.

TEXT: "Thou hast sinned against the soul."—Habakkuk, ii., 10. The object of religion is to make lift sweet and satisfactory. When a man had done the best he could under the circum-stances he has done all that God require of him. Heaven is not for those who believe things, but for those who do things. Christ was a working man in its largest and most divine sense, while we are all working men in a small sense. He worked for others, and was therefore divine; we work for ourselves, and are therefore pitifully have a statement of the sense. human. His religion teaches us to become a part of the life of those who need out help; our tendency is to take from other; for our own ease and comfort, and to give as little as possible. He emphasizes the value of the soul, gives it a dignity and a grandeur, the gait and hearing of a king. grandeur, the gait and bearing of a king, our philosophy of life minimizes spiritual pleasures and magnifies what is sensuous. I never tire of the New Testament, because it is such a desperately sensible book and because it flatly contradicts the ideas which worldly society puts into my head. It is always new, therefore, and almost alwaystartling. If the soul is what He tells me it is, then I must have a large plan. If I am really little lower than the angels, then I must cease to be childish, and the small cares of life must not be allowed to tease and fret me. In that case I should look life in the face and say to my soul that it must busy itself about great things and keep in mind that petty things are not worthy of attention

For example, it is not worth while to be impatient because what happens is not to our liking. We are apt to make a hot re-ply when an ill-natured remark is made. Somebody else's bad mood excites a bad mood in us. We catch the disease instantly, and then there are two persons in a bad mood instead of one. Passion is heated to the exploding point, we give rein to our tongue, and a pitched battle of words takes place. We loosen the bonds of a friendship, we wound the heart of affection, for what we say is a consuming fire. If we had a perfect control of ourselves we should not be powder to any one's torch. A little patience, very difficult to attain, I admit, would keep us from striking when we are struck. It is noble to keep still, and the rebuke of silence is like a keen sword. It is not worth our while, not worth the soul's while, to step down to a lower level because some one addresses us from five pounds of gentian, 100 pounds of cool place and used several times, as that level. We should maintain our dig-

edge of happiness, it is like eating a lemor instead of an orange. The man who finds fault with others seldom has time to find fault with himself, which is his chief duty. Instead of being charitable he is censorious. Not even the Lord can please him, and if he ever gets to heaven he will insist that things shall be arranged to suit his personal taste. Fault finding is simply self-conceit in a subtle disguise. Such a man hints that the universe is wrong, but that he can put it right. It is not worth while to peer at the defects of others and to ignore their virance. There is sometimes a hard side to God's providence, but never a dark side.

He does undoubtedly ask us to do some strange things, and to go through some strange experiences; but if He goes with us we are not only in good company but are sure to derive some benefit from it all. Strong characters are wrought by tears, and afflictions are stopping stones to heaven if we view them from the right standpoint and put them to their proper, forged. We may not always know why we suffer for no explanation has ever been en will hold a World's Fair at The Hague, which is to be devoted solely to the exhibition of women's activities and industries. Side by side ties and industries. Side by side conscious of it is like entehing a glimpse of with this progress of women's work the distant home when the weary traveler Yes, a soul, an immortal soul, with heaven and heavenly things all about, is a manitarian, the Government has magnificent mystery. It must live up to passed a law conferring almost an its destiny, and put under its feet the fears equal suffrage upon women, and mak- and doubts which are so intrusive and so persistent. Think of yourself as God's child, to whom no real harm can possibly come, and the clouds will part and your depression will be lightened. There are still stars overhead, and a blue sky. It will be all right by and by. In the meanbeing divided among themselves as in time be patient, and, above all, keep your

George H. Herworth. DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.

An Impressive Discourse Entitled, "Measured by Your Own Yard Stick."

Text: "With what measure you mete, it shall be measured to you again."—Matt! In the greatest sermon ever preacheda sermon about fifteen minutes long, according to the ordinary rate of speech-a sermon on the Mount of Olives, the preacher, sitting while He spoke, according to the ancient mode of oratory, the people were given to understand that the same yard stick that they employed upon others would be employed upon themselves. Measure others by a harsh rule and you will be measured by a harsh rule. Measure others by a charitable rule and you will be measured by a charitable rule. Give no mercy to others, and no mercy, will be given to you. "With that measure yo mete, it shall be measured to you again." There is a great deal of unfairness in critleism in human conduct. It was to smite that unfairness that Christ uttered the words of the text, and my sermon will be a re-echo of the divine sentiment. In estimaing the misbehavior of others, we must take into consideration the pressure of circumstances. It is never right to do wrong but there are degrees of culpability. When men misbehave or commit some atrocious wickedness we are dispose indiscriminately to tumble them all over the bank of condemnation. Suffer they ought and suffer they must, but in a difference of degree. In Great Britain and in the United States, in every generation, there are tens of thou-sands of persons who are fully developed criminals and incarcerated. I say in every generation. Then I suppose there are tens of thousands of persons who, not positively becoming criminals, nevertheless have a oriminal tendency. Any one of all those thousands, by the grace of God may become Ohristian, and resist the ancestral influence, and open a new chapter of behavior but the vast majority of them will not, and it becomes all men, professional, unpro-fessional, ministers of religion, judges of courts, philanthropists and Christian work-ers, to recognize the fact that there are these Atlantic and Pacific surges of hereditary ovil rolling on through the centuries.

Again, I have to remark, that in our estimation the misdoing of people who have fallen from high respectability and useful-ness we must take into consideration the onjunction of circumstances. In nine cases out of ton a man who goes astray

his other affairs get entangled, and all his other resources fall, and his handsarotied. Now he wants to extricate himself. He ver are also a novelty. One buckle is goes a little further on in the wrong infor the collar, one for the finishing restment. He takes a plunge further touch at revers or end of necktic, and shead, for he wants to save his wife and touch at revers or end of necktic, and children: he wants to save his home; he wants to save his membership in the church.

He takes one more plunge and all is lost.

In the study of seciety I have come to

cap. The vast majority of men and women who are destroyed by oplum and by rum first take them as medicines. In naking up your dish of criticism in regard to them, take from the caster and the cruet of sweet oil and not the cruet of cayenne

Doyou know how that physician, that lawyer, that journalist, became the victim of dissipation? Why, the physician was kept up night by night on professional duty. Life and death hovered in the bal-There came a time of epidemics and whole families were prostrated and his nervous strength was gone. He was all worn out strength was gone. He was all worn out in the service of the public. Now he must brace himself up. Now he stimulates. The life of his mother, the life of this child, the life of this father, the life of this whole family, must be saved, and he stimulates, and he does it again and again. You may criticise his judgment, but remember the process. It was not a selfish purpose by

which he went down. It was magnificent generosity through which he fell. My friends, this text will come to fulfillment in some cases in this world. The huntsman in Farmstoen was shot by some unknown person. Twenty years later after the son of the huntsman was in the same forest, and he accidentally in the same forest, and he accidentally shot a man, and the man in dying said:
"God is just; I shot your father just here twenty years ago." A bishop said to Louis XI. of France: "Make an iron cage for all those who do not think as we do—an iron cage in which the creating care." o-an iron cage in which the captive can either lie down nor stand straight up." I was fashioned—the awful instrument o punishment. After a while the bishop of-lended Louis XI., and for fourteen years he was in that cage, and could neither ile down nor stand up. It is a poor rule that will not work both ways. "With what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again."

Oh, my friends, let us beresolved to scold less and pray more! What headway will we make in the judg-ment if in this world we have been hard on those who have gone astray? What head-way will you and I make in the last great judgment, when we must have mercy or perish? The Bible says: "They shall have judgment without mercy that showed no

I see the scribes of heaven looking up in to the face of such a man, saying, "What! you plead for mercy, you, who in all your life never had any mercy on your fellows? Don't you remember how hard you were in your opinions of those who were astray? Don't you remember when you ought to have given a holping hand you employed a hard heel? Mercyl You must mis-speak yourself when you plead for mercy here. Mercy for others, but no mercy for you. Look," say the scribes of heaven, "look at that inscription over the throne of judgit that inscription over the throne of judgnent, the throne of God's judgment." t coming out letter by letter, word by word, sentence by sentence, until your startled vision reads it and your remorse-ful spirit appropriates it: "With what ful spirit appropriates it: "With what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you agaih. Depart, ye cursed!"

OBEYED THE JUDGE'S ORDER.

The Negro Brought Bill Taylor to Court, and There Was a Sensation. The recent death of the wealthy negro blacksmith, Austin Thompson, recalls one of the most peculiar incidents of Kentucky jurisprudence, writes a Lexington correspondent. In 1873 Benjamin F. Graves was county judge of Fayette County. He lived about five miles from town and nearby lived Austin Thompson, a colored blacksmith, whom Judge Graves held in high esteem. He had belonged to the Judge's father, and the Judge had known him, of course, ever since he was a child. Some one stole a hog from a neighbor of the Judge's, and the meat was found in Austin's smokehouse. He made I attempt to conceal it, and told the officer who found it that he had bought the hog from a negro named Bill Taylor. Notwithstanding his protestations of innocence, the officer arrested Austin and took him to jail. He sent for Judge Graves, and when the Judge

came ne said: "Mars Ben, you know I didn't steal no hog. You been knowin' me since I was a boy, and you know Austin never stole nothin'. I bought that hog, Mars Ben, from Bill Taylor."

The Judge told him that he would let him out of jail if he would go and bring Bill Taylor into court. He asked Austin if he thought he could bring him, and the negro replied:

"I dunno, Mars Ben, whether I can bring that nigger or not. He's a pretty bad nigger." The Judge told him that he must bring Taylor in or he would have to go

to the penitentiary, and that he must bring him in dead or alive. Two days later, while Judge Graves was sitting in his office in the Court House, Austin came in, hat in hand, and bowing politely.

"Mars Ben, I'se done fotched dat nigger. He's out here in my waggin." "Bring him in, Austin," said the "I don't know about dat. He's

mighty heavy and I can't tote him by myself." "What do you mean?" said the Judge. "Well, Mars Ben, you done tole me to bring in dat nigger dead or alive. He said he wouldn't come and I had to shoot him. But I fotched him, and if you'll wait a minute I'll get somebody

to help me and we'll bring him in de

room. The Judge, now thoroughly alarmed, rushed out to the street, and sure enough there was the body of Bill Taylor lying in the wagon. He had a bullet hole in his breast immediately over the heart, and death must have been

instantaneous. The killing of Taylor under such unusual circumstances caused a great deal of talk, and there were threats of indicting both Judge Graves and Thompson for murder. But the Judge's rugged integrity and the previous good character of Thompson caused the matter to be abandoned, and there was no indictment. Nor was Thompson ever put on trial again for stealing his neighbor's hog.

The inventive genius of man ha never devised a more novel means of transit than one that has been put in the experimental stage of operation in England and known as the Halford system of railway construction. In this road the motive power is gravity alone, and it is so built that the cars are continuously moving on a down grade. As near as can be described from the published notices of the road that permanent way is built in sections, hinged together, each end being supported by a hydraulic ram. As the train reaches the junction of two sections, it puts the hydraulic ram in operation so that the ram rises, lifting the end of the section, together with the cars that are upon it. This forms an incline, or rather a decline, down which the cars move by their own weight. The same process is repeated with each section, moving down a falling gradient. Of course the sections vary greatly both in their length and steepness. The greatest ingenuity is used in the construction of the hydraulic machinery. The water is conveyed in pipes laid beneath the rails, and the admission of the water to the sylinders of the rams is controlled by electrical appliances on the cars, or by the weight of the train depressing the section it is passing from, and in this way operating the water supply valve. What success has been gained is not known, but certainly the novel affair must have some valuable points to commend it to conservative English capitalists to such an extent as to induce him to give it an experimental trial.

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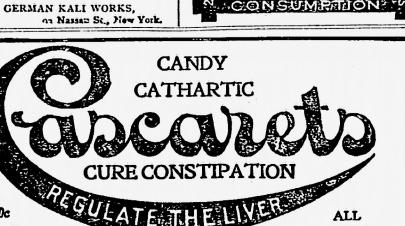
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