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Unspeakeable.

Almost incredible are the revelations made in the trial in a New York court of the editor of one magazine of national reputation on a charge of criminality libeling the quasi-editor of another magazine, of not so high standing but of equal notoriety.

This trial has told the general public that fear of exposure, or of ridicule, or of something else, millionaires in society, millionaires not in society, leaders in society, all handed out large sums of money to the editors or agents of this notorious magazine. In some cases, in most cases, these sums were in the form of loans on the magazine company's stock, loans made at the rate of \$1,000 on a \$10 share of stock as security!

It was also made public that the "power behind the throne," the man who passed on the veiled allusions, the innuendoes, the slurs and slants, so that they would not come inside the libel law, was a judge upon the bench! He was the advisory editor and the law provides that judges of his grade shall have no outside occupation and that they shall not practice law.

It develops that the gilded fools were willing to pay from \$1,000 to \$10,000 each for the publication of their faces and a brief description of their peculiar fads, the gorgeous settings of the bizarre palaces in which they are domiciled, their beautiful horses, their swell automobiles, in a gaudy book whose title to fame lay in the fact that its binding was to be the most expensive of modern times.

Members of the same social circle spied on each other and reported the result of their snooping to the editor of the scandal mongering sheet. Servants pried into the secrets of their mistresses. Valets "reported" the doings of their masters. Chauffeurs told what happened on auto trips. Railroad guards reported doings of "society people" while traveling on the trains.

Whether are we drifting in our mad rush for wealth and the consequent weakening of moral fibre which accompanies acquisition? In the olden days such blackmailing wretches would have been kicked downstairs.

District Attorney Jerome should not stop until he leads one or more of these leeches behind the bars. And the editors are not the least guilty of the pilloried wretches.

Says an exchange: "Every school that is not religious is apt to be irreligious. The Church militant finds that a school that is not Catholic is generally anti-Catholic. When a Catholic child is so situated that he must be sent to a non-Catholic school, then the parents must the more carefully supply at home the necessary religious education. One essential method of doing this is to supply the home with good Catholic reading. There must be healthy food for the mind as well as for the stomach. The one is looked after, the other is often neglected."

The Cleveland Catholic University is presenting each week communications in favor of co-operation with the Philippines as a relief to the Philippines.

The "Catholic Universe" attaches some importance to the report that before long the Philippines will be taken by Japan.

Legalized Murder.
What are we coming to?

It was bad enough for a few hard-brained reformers of the feminine gender to advocate publicly that those afflicted with incurable diseases should be chloroformed under the direction of a regularly qualified physician. Terrible as it was to think of a woman with heart so hardened, it is infinitely more serious when the principles she advocates are embodied in a proposed law which is actually offered for introduction in the legislature of the state of Ohio!

Do those who advocate such things realize that they are asking the state to legalize murder? Or do they realize this fully and wish seek to engraft it upon the statute law of the land? Why then impose any penalty for murder? Why discriminate in favor of physicians? Why not vest discretionary powers with the members of the legal profession?

There are dishonest lawyers, you say? True, but did you never hear of dishonest, disreputable physicians as well? Probably, the percentage is small as compared to the whole number, but that is neither here nor there. The dishonest minority should not be vested with the decision of life and death, at least not legally. If they are dishonest, let them continue so but do not bar Justice from meeting out punishment swift and stern if they be found out.

We are not surprised that unbelievers should hold such opinions and we must be pardoned if we venture the opinion that no Christian can hold to them and be a follower of Christ's teaching at the same time.

He said "Do unto others as ye would they do to thee." Would Miss Hall wish some physician to hold the power to decide when and how she would be despatched from this world? If so, then she is an advocate of suicide and we fail to see wherein she would be entitled to rank as a Christian. If she be not willing to apply the theory to herself why should she seek to have it made a part of the statute law?

Childless Rich

A writer discussing in the Cleveland "Plain Dealer" latter day developments dwells thus pointedly upon the "passing of the rich man's name":

"Andrew Carnegie has no son and only one daughter, so his hundreds of millions will start no line of Carnegie kings. Russell Sage has neither son nor daughter, and his fortune will be scattered among strangers. Leland Stanford had only one son and he died. C. P. Huntington had no children. Frederik Vanderbilt has no children. And three of the younger Rockefellers, although married for ten years or more, have no children. So we might go on through the list of millionaires, says Success, and while we should meet with some exceptions like William H. Vanderbilt, with eight children; George Gould, with six, and J. P. Morgan, with four, we should quickly establish the fact that the average number of children in our very rich families is far below the general average; instead of approaching four it would probably not reach two.

Probably this is a new and it may be a passing condition, for we are told that seventy-five years ago rich New Yorkers were accustomed to have large families. Thus we read in "New Yorkers of the Nineteenth Century" that Col. Nicholas Fish and Elizabeth Stuyvesant had five children and fifty-nine great-grandchildren; that Col. William Duer and Catherine Alexander had eight children and 100 great-grandchildren etc. Which shows how things have changed since then in the fashionable set.

Mayor Johnson of Cleveland, has announced that he will "shut down" on the dance halls of that city. Disorderly houses will be refused licenses. All-night licenses will not be granted. Cleveland's example should be followed in Eastern cities.

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Sharp Reproof

The Boston "Republic" does not like the latest Sardow play "La Sorciere" produced in the Hub by Sara Bernhardt. Here is one excerpt from its criticism:
"Ximenes conducts Zoraya's trial before the Inquisition. He is, as Max plays him, as vicious a scoundrel as ever shone against the background of any melodrama. The impersonation is venomously grotesque. You see the shriveled, wrinkled, blinking, pale face, the eyes gleaming out of it like unsooty white points, the clawing hands, the bare feet, twitching ominously beneath the dull brown of the monk's robe. The Ximenes which Bernhardt allows as her foil is the type of all the sexless monsters that religious partisanship has created. He is the image of a devotee whose devotion has curdled into bigotry, and whose cruelty has grown by what it fed on into ferocity. This ferocity is so diabolical in its cunning that now lures, now tortures, now gnaws at its victims. His eyes gleam like an angry cat's and his clawing fingers clutch like claws. He is repulsive. He is demonic. He is the ill-begotten spawn of an imagination that is reckless of history and contemptuous of the spiritual.

But if the politicians are shouting for an investigation merely to put a rival in a hole or to wreak vengeance on opponents, then the movement is not only praiseworthy, it is original.

A political investigation conducted by politicians with political effect its only end should be frowned upon, no matter who is ostensibly back of it.
There is a limit to the public good nature. The Albany politicians may find this out even if they force the people to turn them out of their fat jobs.

Is It Necessary?

If the legislative leaders at Albany really believe that the banks of the state need overhauling. If they believe there is rottenness in the management of the banks and trust companies, then a rigid investigation should be made, the rotten branches should be lapped off the dishonest officials should be prosecuted and the whole financial institution put on a sound foundation.

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