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OFFENSIVE PARTISANS.

Hon. Mr. Whitney has taken occas ion to lay down clearly the policy of the Ontario Government in regard to the dismissal of civil servants. The test will be offensive partisanship Officials who have been giving satisfactory service to the public and have not taken an offensively active part in politics will not be disturbed n their positions. This is an emin ently satisfactory rul. The public interest demands that there should be a reasonable permanency in the public service and that efficient and trustworthy officers should be re-tained, irrespective of the political conditions under which they are appointed. The "spoils system" is at the root of the inefficient civil service of the United States, because the appointees know that their tenure of office is dependent on the dominance of the political party to which they belong, so that they take more in terest in politics, which assures them their positions, than in discharging faithfully their duties, which should ensure their retention.

In Canada an "offensive partisan' is usually an official who neglects his duty to the public in order to make himself solid politically, and consequently deserves dismissal on both The elimination of such officials is a benefit to the service. while the knowledge that efficiency ensures retention in office encourages officials to give their best work to the public service and to eschew active interference in politics.

NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY.

It is safe to say, says an exchange, that there is not a newspaper in Canada that has not been visited by offenders against the law who wish to have their misdeeds kept from the public, especially is this the case in connection with the habitues of the police court. Of the two punishments, newspaper publicity and confinement in police cells, the former seems to have the greatest stigma attached to it. This goes to show the great value some people put upon reputation compared with character itself. They seem to have no compunction about having committed the offence. All they are concerned about is in keeping it concealed from the public. It is a comparatively unimportant thing to have imbibed more than the constitution can stand and to have interfered with the peace of the community when compared with the widespread publicity in the matter. Realizing this attitude of mind on the part of the culprit, or those immediately interested in him, newspapers feel it a duty to the public at large to aid in suppressing such conduct, and perhaps there is no more effective remedy than the exposure of the delinquents. Of course there are cases when extenuating circumstances demand that the news-

this respect he is sometimes put in about the same position as the judge or the magistrate who pronounces the sentence. In any case, the newspaper man can generally be relied upon to do his duty towards not only the public, but the culprit as well.

A THEORY.

Here is a theory—London smoke is a tonic. Is the sulphur that finds its way via smoky chimneys into the part of London the sometimes or a country without ever reducing his original dollar. The puzzle is, of course, who loses? paper man exercise discretion. In

air of London, the secret of the London complexion? Over and over again it is remarked how much fine is the town that the country complexion. Put a London girl beside country girl, and ten chances to one the London girl's complexion is the better.-Black and White.

SPLENDID GOING.

An Ohio man who was recently elected to Congress, came to Wash ington to look around and see what his duties were. He was hospitably received, and was wined and dined a great many times by his colleague, fore he went home he said to his friends: "By George, I have had a good time! I have had dinners and reakfasts and suppers galore given to me. In fact, I haven't had my knife out of my mouth, since I struck town."-Washington, Post.

HE SHOULD HAVE THEM.

Because the Whitney Government is desirous of having the license inspectors of the province men sympathetic with its determination to enforce the law, and is following out this policy, getting rid of inspectors who have not dislayed this sympathy, the accusation of following the spoils system is being laid against it. If

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THE LASH FOR HUMAN BRUTES,

Montreal Star.

A couple of highway men have been

sentenced to the lash in Manitoba,

Would this not be a good experi-

ment to try on the brutal "hold-

up" thugs who are operating on the

streets of Montreal and vicinity? It

is puerile to talk about brutalizing

any farther a man who will creep

up behind another and slug him with

a sand-bag. About the only thing that such a coward fears is the lash; and he should be made reasonably certain of it if he gets caught. A term of imprisonment is for such only a "rest cure."

HARD ON THE LAWYERS

Bobcaygeon Independent.

The Hamilton Herald is of opinion

that the clauses in the Northwest

autonomy bill, regarding education,

should read, "It is enacted that the

legislatures of the said provinces

shall pass all necessary laws in re-

spect of education." That aptly shows what would happen if news-

paper men were members of Parlia

ment and had the making of the

laws instead of lawyers. There

would not be a tenth of the laws, to commence with, and they would be boiled down a hundred-fold, made simple and clear. Two-thirds of the lawyers would have to take to the

WHO LOSES?

New York Post.

An item which reaches us from

Boston this week deserves notice, not

because its subject matter is new,

but because it describes how a thing

usually narranted as a hypothetical case really happened. A Bostonian

at Cape Breton having run up a bill

of ten cents in a barber shop hand-

ed the proprietor a Canadian dollar

bill. He got back in change four Am-

ber explained that in that part of

the world American 25-cent pieces

passed for 20 cents. There the story

ends. But it is well known that in

many sections of this country Cana-

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Strange Revelation of a Fantastic Human Soul-Weird Designs Tattooed Upon the Human Form Divine-Dis tinguished Clients of the Craze-Lovers' Fancies in Cuticle-Practica Uses of Tattooing Given.

It was almost by accident that I It was almost by accident that I came across this strange servant of society, says a writer in a London newspaper. I happened to catch sight of his name and profession on a brass plate in one of the most aristocratic streets in the west end of London, and a sudden impulse prompted me to have a two-minutes' chat with him about his extraording or "greentien".

have a two-minutes' chat with him about his extraordinary "vocation."

I remember, however, that two minutes lengthened out to two hours—not the least interesting I have spent. The suife of rooms occupied by this "society tattooist," as he calls himself, is up four flights of stairs, and when I tanned at the door it was answered. is up four flights of stairs, and when I tapped at the door it was answered by a podgy, bald-headed, clean-shaven young German (though he goes by an English name), who gave me a most expansive smile, and expressed himself in the most polite phrases when I asked him for a little information about his trade—or "art" as he prefers to call it.

I found the man was a real enthusiast. To me tattooing had seemed merely a survival of parbarism. To him it was, as I have said, an art, and he discoursed about it with a fine ryour as a connoisseur might discuss the beauties of some branch of art like wood-carving or enamelling.

Weird Designs. He showed me with ill-concealed pride a large number of his designs. He had a library of them filling great leather-bound books, and stowed away in portfolios. They were a strange revelation of a fantastic human soul! revelation of a fantastic human soul! In fact, it gave me a queer sensation down the spine to think that from the brain-cells beneath that soft hald head beside me, as downy as a new-born babe's, had come such weird and monstrous phantasies in color for the adornment (or the disfigurement) of the human skin.

Th Devil, for some strange reason, leved a prominent part in these plants.

played a prominent part in these pictures. He was in all sorts of attitudes and situations—grinning at a beautiful girl, whispering slying into the ear of the well-dressed dandy, brandishing his pronged fork at a human heart.

Then there were strange and horrible dream monsters, dragons with firebreathing nostrils, horrible looking snakes with hissing tongues birds with

snakes with hissing tongues, birds with women's faces, beasts in the likeness of men, and so on. But all of them were wonderfully, elaborately, and beautifully worked out in color designs, so that one could but admire the skill of the workmanship, however repulsive were the subjects. repulsive were the subjects. Not all the subjects, however, were

Not all the subjects, however, were of this character. Some of them were charming in idea and execution—a peacock with spreading tail, a painted lady butterfly, a cupid with a bow and arrow, a crescent moon with a galaxy of stars. Among other subjects was a very large and miscellanguage sour ment of sporting troubless eous assortment of sporting trophies, and objects such as horseshoes and whips, fishing rods and oars, bats and racquets, and all sorts of subjects of sentimental or affectionate interest to naval and military men.

Distinguished Clients. "Do you mean to say," I said, "that espectable and intelligent men allow respectable and intelligent men allow themselves to be permanently marked for life with fancy designs like these? I can understand a rough sailor-man putting an anchor on his wrist, but you call yourself a society tattooist. Do you really say that men of the upper classes induige in this sort of thing?"

I spoke plainly, and for a moment the little German looked a little angry. But the cloud passed from his face, and But the cloud passed from his face, and

he said eagerly: "My dear sir, you have not the faintest idea as to the extent of my patron-age. I assure you that some of the greatest and most distinguished Eng-lishmen have sat in this very room greatest and most distinguished Englishmen have sat in this very room day after day, and sometimes week after week, while I have exercised my art upon them. I have scores of young noblemen on my list, young military and naval men, sporting men of every kind, barristers, actors and men of almost every profession. I will show you letters and photographs, so that you cannot doubt"—and sure enough he pulled open drawers and thrust into my hands portraits of people I was astonished to recognize and autograph letters signed with names that shine brilliantly in English society.

"You see," said the little German, "I may call many of these gentlemen my friends. They write to me affectionate and intimate letters. I could tell you, if I broke my faith, which of course I will not do many strange and amazing secrets, which I have heard in this room. While gentlemen are sitting under my needle they become communicative, and tell me things about their private lives, sometimes even, take my advice, with nothing but my tattooing needle, my box of colors, and my brains. I have been behind the scenes in many strange phases of society. I have had the strangest adventure. And the strangest thing of all would be if, after having seen all this, I had not at least some worldly wisdom which would be of use to young Englishmen, however high they may prove in society."

Lovers' Fancies.

"I was under the impression the craze for tattooing had died out," said.

said.

The little German laughed
"You call it a crase," he said, "but it is far more than that. It is a natural and udmirable desire to adorn one's body with enoblems of what is most important to one in life. Thus the saider likes to see upon his arms or chest an anchor, a coil of rope, a ship in full sail; a military man likes to have its regimental colors ineffacably impirited upon his sign, and so on. Above when a man is in love he likes to be the saider likes to see upon his very heart a COTTAM BIRD SRED, 19 St. London, Na.

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confession of faith in the woman of his

desire.
"Lovers are my best clients. They come to me every day with mottoes, allegorical designs, strange fantastic emblems that have some hidden meaning I do not understand, and which they wish me to prick in colors upon "I will tell you a funny story.

few years ago a well-known society woman in London with whom I had woman in London with whom I had had a little business sent to me a gentleman to whom she had just become engaged, and he explained that at her desire he wanted her name tattooed above his heart. I did it satisfactorily, and he went away. Six months later another young man arrived with a letter from Lady B——, and above his heart also I inscribed her name. Eighteen months later a third arrived with the same request. This time I thought it was the last, but last Christmas another yictim came to this room thought it was the last, but last contermas another victim came to this room from that same lady. I shall, however, get no more clients from the same source, for only last week I read in the papers that Lady B—— is successfully have husband. papers that Lady B—— is successfully married—and the name of her husband is not amongst the list of men whom I have had the honor of operating

Among other love fashions in tattoo ing is the custom of engaged persons having some motto or device inscribed round their fingers in such a way that it is hidden beneath the ring.

Practical Uses. "I get the strangest characters ere," said the tattoolst. "Many of here," said the tattoolst. "Many of them are foreigners, and they come to have various and curious signs pricked upon their skins, generally above the heart. Of course I have not the ghost of a notion what these signs mean, but there is no doubt that they are the marks of secret societies."

He went on to tell me how tattooing is largely used in the British
army and elsewhere for purposes of
identification. As he truly said in
many cases the body of a dead soldier
is often stripped on the battlefield,
and if his face is mutilated it is not
casy to tell who he was In men. and if his face is mutilated it is not casy to tell who he was. In many cases during the late South African war, so my informant said, officers were identified only by tattoe marks on their chests and arms.

Another purpose for which tattooing is used for the identification of a man's living personality. For instance one of the clients of this particular tattooing ist is a commercial man constantly tra-

of the clients of this particular tattooist is a commercial man constantly traveling about the country. In prany
cases it would be necessary for bim to
produce some evidence do to the fact
that he is the person he gives himself
out to be. In these cases, however, he
merely pulls up his shirt sleeve, and
there tattooed in red upon his fore-arm
is his own signature. This is an indisputable guarantee, for no thief would
go, to the trouble of having another
man's name inscribed indelibly upon
his body, and in any case, it would be
a dangerous clue to the police.

My society tattooist told me many
anecdotes concerning his clients, and
the strange and fantastic pictures
which they had had painted upon their

which they had had painted upon their flesh with the sharp little needle. It seemed to me that this fat and smiling seemed to me that this fat and smilling little German was as curious a char-acter as might be found in the great city of London, and his profession as amazing a survival of savage instincts as might be discovered in our modern civilization

What we hope ever to do with ease we must learn to do with diligence. What is there that is illustrious that is not also attended by labor?

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Your miniature boomerang should be cut out of stiff cardboard, the form being somewhat like a right angle, ex-



TO THROW THE BOOMERANG.

cept that the corner should be round ed both outside and inside. The illustration will give you the idea. The strip should be about half an inch wide and each end, or stem, a few inches

To throw it so that it will return to your feet lay it on a book held at a slight angle, allowing one end of it to project about an inch over the side of the book, and then strike the project penholder. After a little practice you will be able to make it fly off and come back to you.—New York Mail.

THE DOG'S BARK

Some of the Proverbs About It and What They Mean. When Dr. Watts said that dogs "delight to bark" he wrote of the dog of civilized folk. The wild dog, whether wolf or dingo, does not bark. howls or growls or whines. Barking dog has acquired it just as a little girl may learn the piano or a boy French. For that reason it follows that barking alone is not a sign that a dog is savage or ill tempered. In fact, there is a proverb that "barking dogs never bite," but of course this rather means that fellows who are always bragging never can do anything else. When a dog barks at the moon it expects to frighten it or to express its contempt for it. The other proverb, which says that "his bark is worse than his bite," means, let a person scold and bully as he may, he doesn't intend half the mis-

ne may, he doesn't make the chief he threatens. It was from the sharp, loud noise of the dog's bark that pistols came to be called "barkers." Advice For Boys.

A boy who is envious of the good for tune of others and is dissatisfied because he, too, cannot have it makes all around him unhappy. He should not be envious of anything but the good traits of others, and these he may possess if his desire for them is real. One restless, unhappy boy in a house, who is always bemoaning his own fate and envying others, will jar upon the good nature of a saint. He should not be vainglorious and assume airs for something which he supposes places him a little beyond his fellow creatures. hope to exact it from others, but his self esteem must be tempered with modesty. He may be conscious of his own achievements, but it will be more becoming in him to allow others to herald them.—Pilgrim.

The Boy Was Right.

A schoolteacher, examining the class, lights on the youngest and is so struck with his intelligent aspect that he questions him forthwith, "Now, my little man, what do five and two make?" The little one remained silent. "Well. suppose, now, I were to give you five rabbits today and two more tomorrow, how many rabbits would you have then?" "Eight!" promptly answered the juvenile. "Eight! Why, how do you make that out?" "'Cause I've got one to home already."

He Knew it All.

Here is the exact answer of a New York schoolboy to the questions, "What is the meaning of the word hall,' how many other words are there that sound like 'hall' and what are their meanings?"

"Hall, where you open the dore and go in; hawl, hawling along a boy that won't go to skool; aul, what the shoemakes charges you 25 sents for to aul your shoes; all, all, everybody in the wurld."—Success,

Funny Kind of Kick Some little girls were returning home from the park when they were overtaken by a goat that wanted the whole street. They ran for dear life, the formost shouting to her companions: "Run, run, girls! He will kick you with his head!"

Dotty's Learning,
Teacher says the world is round,
And yet it looks real flat.
She says it turns around like madNow, will you think of that!

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I'd tell them to you only I
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stories make a child cowardly. Don't hang curtains around the cot. Children need plenty of air, especiallywhen sleeping.

Don't encourage little children to drink tea or coffee. It is very injurious to the nerves. Don't forget that regular habits.

proper feeding and long hours of sleep are necessary conditions for a healthy infant.

Don't lift an infant up by its arms or make it stand on its toes while part-ly lifted. Neither allow a child to be placed too early on its feet to stand or walk.

Don't use artificial means to put a child to sleep. Walking about with it, rocking it and jogging it are also bad habits. A child should be taught to go directly to rest.

A Good Cleansing Fluid. The following recipe is highly recom-mended for its efficacy in cleansing fabrics without injuring the texture or "starting" the color, however delicate: Grate two potatoes of ordinary size into a bowl containing one pint of clean cold water. Strain carefully through a sieve, allowing the liquid to fall into enother vessel containing an additional plut of cold water. Let it settle and then pour off the water and bottle it for use. It may be put into a clean fruit jar. Rub the soiled garment soft-ly with a sponge dipped in the potato water, after which wash it in clean water. Dry carefully in the shade and then iron it. Use the sediment left after pouring off the water for cleaning heavy clothes, rugs and carpets.

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