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## THOUGHTLESS CONDUCT.

The Planet feels strongly on the question of enforcing the law, but we believe that in some cases the officials in their eagerness to perform their duty may utilize such measures as are entirely unnecessary and unbecoming, and which often place the persons who are under their charge in a very humiliating position.

During last week a case of this kind was instanced in our city, and was much commented upon and condemned by a number of citizens. A man came up in one of our local courts charged with lunsacy. The evidence given on behalf of the prosecution was sufficient to convince the judge that the man's mind was to some extent affected, and he remanded the prisoner to be examined by physicians.

The man, however, aside from the fact that at times he would give vent to strange utterances, seemed to be as sensible as any man in the court room and was to all appearances perfectly harmless and showed no evidence of being inclined to do anything contrary to the will of the court. In spite of this fact, however, before he was taken to the jail he was handcuffed like a common criminal and paraded through some of the principal streets of the city.

An act such as this on the part of an official will hardly meet the approval of any fair-minded citizen. The man was not a criminal and should not be treated as such. His only offense was the unfortunate condition of his mind which, by the way, was his misfortune and not his fault. Surely he could have been conveyed to the jail in a less public and humiliating manner.

The authorities should provide some better means of conveying such unfortunate from Harrison Hall to the jail.

## BRITAIN'S NAVAL STRENGTH.

In an address before the Mercantile Marine Association at Liverpool, Gerald Balfour, M. P., recently spoke in optimistic terms of the seafaring outlook of England. There were pessimists, he said, who thought and said that decay had begun. He did not believe it. He did not believe there ever was a time when, taking it all in all, the mercantile marine of the country was any more flourishing than it was to-day, and he did not think that the nation which possessed more than half of the entire steam tonnage of the world, and which in ten years had added to its steam tonnage an amount which was more than the equivalent of the entire mercantile marine of France, Germany and Holland together, need be afraid that its ships were going to be driven from the sea by the competition of other countries. This was, however, one spot which to some extent detracted from the brightness of that prosperity. He referred to the increasing proportion of foreigners on board the British merchant ships. He did not think there was anything in the figures that need alarm them. Out of a total of over 13,000 officers who passed for the certificate during the last three years, only 279, or about 2 per cent. were foreigners, and

that proportion, so far as could be judged, was not increasing, but, if anything, was diminishing. Unfortunately, the same thing could not be said of the seamen. In the case of seamen there had for many years past been a steady diminution in the proportion of those who were of native origin. In the year 1870, 10 per cent. of the seamen were foreigners. That 10 per cent. had increased in the year 1900 to 21 per cent., and what was even more significant, during those 30 years the actual numbers of British seamen had remained stationary, while the number of foreigners during the same time had fully doubled. That was not altogether a satisfactory condition of things. To what cause was it to be attributed? Certainly not to any diminution in the British national love of adventure, or their national inclination for the sea. The very fact that the government could obtain in increasing numbers all the recruits which were required for the navy proved that conclusively, and beyond a doubt. Where then was the explanation to be found? Mr. Balfour thought the main cause was connected with a circumstance on which, taken by itself, they had only to congratulate themselves—he meant the great improvement that had recently taken place in the material welfare of every class in the community, and above all, in the welfare of the wage earning classes. While that improvement had taken place to some extent in the mercantile marine, he did not think it had been experienced to the same extent there as in other employments. On the other hand, it was certain that the conditions of employment in the merchant service were greatly superior to those which obtained in the mercantile marine of any other country. That superiority in the conditions of employment had the very natural effect of attracting the best sailors from the foreign merchant service. If he was right in thinking that this was the main cause of the evil which they all deplored, it was clear that the only complete and permanent remedy was an improvement in the conditions of the service such as would attract more men and better men into it; but to that end there was no royal road, either by way of legislation or in any other way that he was acquainted with.

## CONDEMNED "LYNCH LAW."

Judge Lewis who was appointed to defend Czolgosz, the murderer of President McKinley, was perhaps not expected to do any more for the prisoner than make sure that all the forms of the law were complied with, and he undoubtedly did his duty. He could not save the prisoner nor avert the fate which is so close upon him, but he did something which should earn for him the gratitude of the republic. In his address to the jury he rendered the very best service he could give under the circumstances. "This man," he said, "has declared that he is an anarchist. We all feel that organizations of this kind are dangerous, but I don't think that they are nearly so dangerous as the doctrine of lynch law. That is something that will sweep aside the strongest of our institutions if allowed to grow at its present rate of progress. It is the duty of every good citizen to see that every man charged with a crime, no matter how heinous its nature, should get a fair trial in a court of justice." There was in this no justification of anarchy, no attempted palliation of the crime for which the prisoner was on trial; but he had the courage to point out—and it required no small amount of courage at that time—that the menace of lynch law is greater than that of anarchy. The assassination of President McKinley has drawn attention to the menace of anarchy as no other event could have done; it will eventually do more to stamp out anarchy than perhaps any other event could do; but with each succeeding lynching the menace of mob rule grows. Every negro that is burned at the stake, whether he be guilty or innocent of the crime charged against him, means the demoralization of a community.

## WHAT SHALL WE EAT

## To Keep Healthy and Strong?

A healthy appetite and common sense are excellent guides to follow in matters of diet, and a mixed diet of grains, fruits and meats is undoubtedly the best, in spite of the claims made by vegetarians and food cranks generally. As compared with grains and vegetables, meat furnishes the most



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The nights are growing long, but the Mayor of Montreal thinks we are lamentably short of Knight-hoods.

The pessimistic farmer is now complaining that it is just his luck to have very few apples this year when the prices are high.

The Globe's intimation that Hon. Geo. W. Ross, the old War Horse, is again in the saddle, is, no doubt, designed to stir up the enthusiasm of the stable boys.

The shooting season has scarcely begun, but accidents are already reported. In New Brunswick a few days ago a thirteen year old boy was mistaken for a deer and fatally wounded. Several shooting accidents have also occurred in Michigan. Such mistakes indicate a want of care which is little short of, if it is not actually criminal. There should be no doubt in the mind of any man as to what the object is at which he shoots. During the shooting season, there are many people in the woods and those who are

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