DEATH BY ELECTRICITY.

An English Doctor Thinks It Will Not Work.

Dr. Richardson in Asclepiad.

While executions still continue, there is nothing in the present and long-established plan of carrying them out which needs be changed. If the process be considered brutal, it is not more brutal than the spirit of the act itself, all attempts to refine which cannot add to its efficacy as a deterrent of crime. The process of hanging looks brutal without being actually so. Since the age of Morgagni the question now under discussion has been considered, and the opinion of the best informed physiologists, then and since then, has always been that death by strangulation, or by suspension, is practically a painless mode of death. Persons who have recovered from the unconsciousness produced by strangulation have testified completely on this point, and that the old and legal method of death by suspension, according to the terms of the judical sentence, should, at the instance of any ignorant or common officer who may carry out the sentence, have ever been changed for the long drop, or death by an excruciating and cruel blow, is incredible. Some member of the House of Commons ought to put to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, who is charged with the duty of directing that the law, be it good or bad, shall be carried out, the question why the gentle, though it may seem prolonged, extinction of life by hanging should not be restored. While death is the national punishment for murder, this national mode of vindicating the law is also the most rational. Making the method of execution more scientific, if it be right to degrade science by so connecting her civilizing powers with such degrading and ignorant work, is simply to put a premium on crime itself.

Since I set up a lethal chamber for the painless extinction of the lives of the lower animals I have more than once met persons, not strictly insane, but in morbid states of mind, who have looked on the lethal easy death as a prospect of release from life so invitingly pleasant that if such mode of death were to be adopted as the national plan of capital murder they would not hesitate in some of their worst moods to kill, that they might be killed, since the severest fate that could happen would be a death brought to the painlessness of pleasure. Death by the electric shock would convey to minds of this stamp the same anticipation, but would not necessarily produce the same certain result. In some researches on the application of the electric discharge for the painless extinction of the lives of animals to be used as food, the details of which I recorded in the Medical Times and Gazette for the year 1863, this mode of death was anything but certain in its effects.

Sheep stricken apparently into instant and irrevocable death by electricity, after a few minutes showed signs of life, and if they had not been despatched in ordinary way by the knife would have been restored to consciousness. The same fact has been observed in attempts to kill dogs by the electric shock, and I once published an instance in which a large dog struck into perfect unconsciousness, by the stroke of a powerful battery, was submitted to a surgical operation while lying, to all appearances, dead, and was yet so little affected as to make an easy and sound recovery. It need not be inferred from such facts as these that the electric shock will not kill at one discharge—in most cases it will kill—but, exceptionally, instead of killing outright, it will simply stun, and may induce the semblance of death instead of the real death.

INEBRIATE ASYLUMS.

A Movement on Foot in Hamilton to Establish One in That City.

From The Stratford Beacon.

A movement is on foot in Hamilton, says The Spectator, to establish an inebriate asylum. It will be started by private subscription. Should it be established the magistrate will send no more drunkard to jail, but to the asylum, where remedies moral and physical will be used for their cure. The pressure on the jails will thus be relieved and expenses lessened in proportion. It is not claimed that the cost of maintaining the asylum will be met by this reduction of jail expenses, but as the cure of the drunkard will result, the investment will be a good one, as such institutions have been the means of doing much good both in the States and Britain. Away from the N. P. This Spectator's head is tolerably level, and its remarks under this head are well worth reproduction. Here they are:

A young man gets drunk. A policeman "runs him in." We do not know why this is done; a man who is simply drunk—not disorderly—does not interfere with the peace and enjoyment of Her Majesty's subjects. He is cast into a cell which, under the circumstances, cannot be kept clean. He finds himself in the morning in the "pen," in company with half a dozen or so of the most degraded men and women. The magistrate says "Two or ten," and the young man goes forth with the brand of the prison upon him, and the moral filth of his fellow prisoners upon his metaphorical garments; or he goes to jail. If he goes not to jail the first time, he is pretty sure to go some time. Few young men recover their self-respect after a night in the police pen in company with vagrants, strumpets, thieves and habitual drunkards. Too many continue on their downward course until they become habitual drunkards and are run in on sight and sent to prison with regularity and promptitude. But what is the use of sending a habitual drunkard to jail? There is nothing in the associations of a jail to induce a man to reform; and ninety-nine times out of a hundred so soon as the man is free again he gets drunk as quickly as possible. He becomes an expensive burden upon the community, a general nuisance and a reproach to the community. Why not cure him? That he can be cured is evidenced by the experience of inebriate asylums. Confirmed drunkards have been taken to the inebriate asylum at Binghampton, N.Y., and have come forth as new men, with clear eye, steady nerves and firm purpose, fully equipped to again become respectable members of society and good citizens.

The number of habitual drunkards is happily but a small proportion of those who use intoxicants, and many of those owe their condition to heredity. Every community great and small has its hopeless inebriates, some of whom become mental and physical wrecks and finally a costly charge on the public chest. If such could be reformed it would be a public good from an economic standpoint alone. Our jails are not reformatory, but in numerous instances hasten the debasement of the subject. Drunkards are not criminals and should not be made to herd with such. Any scheme which will secure more rational treatment for them should be eagerly welcomed and find cordial support.

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From Globe Board of Trade Number.

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A CANADIAN MONTE-CHRISTO.

The Romantic Career of Mr. Oliver Daunais.

From The Montreal Star.

The career of Mr. Oliver Daunais, who had just purchased "Mille Fleurs," Hon. J.R. Thibaudeau's residence at Longue Pointe, reads like a romance, resembling more perhaps that of Monte-Christo than any other. His parents in Sorel were by no means in comfortable circumstances, and when still not much more than a boy he moved to the United States, where he expected to earn an easy livelihood. After a number of ups and downs in life he one day found himself in the far Northwest trading with the Indians. Upon a visit he once paid to tribes at the foot of the Rockies, he found that several of the Indians often used gold nuggets, roughly beaten into shape, as bullets. Where they found these nuggets they persistently refused to say and Mr. Daunais married one of the women of the tribe in order to find out. He succeeded and from the Government he purchased, at a nominal price, ten thousand acres of rocky, mountainous district in that part of the Rockies where the Indians had found gold. Several rich discoveries were made and Mr. Daunais soon became a wealthy man. He invested largely in real estate in Port Arthur and gave his several children a thorough education in Toronto and Port Huron. He has decided to dwell hereafter in Montreal and his fortune is said to amount to two million dollars.

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