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Indians of the Loyal Legion.

The Indiana Commandery of the Loyal Legion will hold a stated meeting at Room 17, When Block, to-morrow evening, to ballot on a candidate for admission to the order, and to invest those heretofore elected to companionship. The candidate for admission is Asa Coleman, of Logansport, Indiana, assistant surgeon of the Forty-sixth Indiana Volunteer Infantry, and the companions-elect are those balloted for at the last meeting. After the business of the commandery has been transacted, companion George F. McGinnis will read a paper on "Shiloh," and after that lunch will be served. The present membership of the commandery is 129, of which 83 are residents, and 46 non-resident members.

New hat-racks at Wm. L. Elder's.

TAKEN FROM THE DARK SIDE

As a Recreation from Bossism, Coy Proposes to Enter the Literary Ranks.

He Will Increase the Interest of Chapters on Politics by Telling What He Knows About Criminals of Many Grades.

Yesterday afternoon a Journal reporter called on Simeon Coy, at his suburban retreat, and found him in an upper room, leaning back in an easy chair, the smoke of a fine Havana making a halo about his head. The restored boss of Marion county Democracy was the picture of comfort, his smooth, round face beaming good nature. "How did you know I was writing a book?" inquired he. The reporter murmured something about a canary bird having brought the information. "Well, it's true," quoth he, "no matter how you got it. I am getting out a book of my experiences, and on Tuesday next it will go into the hands of the printer."

"How large will the book be?" inquired the reporter. "Here's the manuscript," was the answer of the Democratic boss, pointing to a table upon which was about a ream of closely-written foolscap. "I am told it will make a book of 400 pages. You never took me for one of them literary fellows, did you? Well, it is a new field for me, but I have the material, and I have no doubt the work will be very interesting reading to a large number of people. I certainly hope so, for I want to make some money out of it."

"What is the title of your book?" inquired the reporter. "I have not yet decided upon it," replied Coy. "I have a number of titles in mind, but I have not yet decided upon any one. I have been a rather stirring man; have been connected with some of the most important events of the world. I have seen the inside of a prison, and I have seen the inside of a jail. I have seen the inside of a work-house, and I have seen the inside of a penitentiary. I have seen the inside of a prison, and I have seen the inside of a jail. I have seen the inside of a work-house, and I have seen the inside of a penitentiary. I have seen the inside of a prison, and I have seen the inside of a jail. I have seen the inside of a work-house, and I have seen the inside of a penitentiary."

"Did you have any difficulty in getting the information?" inquired the reporter. "Not a bit," replied Coy. "I had befriended quite a number of them on the outside, and those men are much less apt to forget a favor than you might suppose. The prisoners there would say to me what I wanted, and I would say to any official, or to any one else, I met men who were in there for long terms, and would sit and talk with them for hours, and even for days, over their past lives, until I became familiar with nearly all the noted criminals in the institution, and I had many daring deeds of which the public knew little or nothing, and the doers of which were not even suspected. Shortly after I began to keep notes of conversations I had with these men, and I heard many strange stories. It was when I had fairly begun upon my system of taking notes, that a gentleman visited me, and fully apprized what I was doing. He went to go ahead and collect material for a book, and give a full account of my prison experience as well as my political career. As a sample of some of the things that I had written, I will give you an instance. Of course you have heard of the notorious Blinky Morgan. Well, I have an occurrence that has never been published which I will give you in my book. I shall tell with full details of a murder committed by Morgan, the victim being a pal. Blinky buried him; though much inquiry was made for him, he was never known or even suspected of the cause of his disappearance."

"What benefit did you derive from your investigation of prison reform?" inquired the reporter. "From personal experience, I found there are many men in prison who would make good citizens if released. Many men in there for murder, in my opinion, are thoroughly reformed and reformed men, and could be allowed their liberty with safety to society. On the other hand, there are many serving short sentences who ought never to be turned loose upon society. The northern prison is as good an institution of the kind, perhaps, as there is in this country. In conversation with men, and I think I found there men who had served in almost every prison in the country. I was told time and again that the Michigan City prison was a paradise as prisons go. The men are kindly treated, the rules are not carried out with severity, and the men are controlled by a warden of a greater extent than in any other prison. Warden Murdoch is a safe man, and has done everything possible under the law. He has asked the legislature to enact laws that would benefit the prisoners, improve the prison, and would be of benefit to society, but nothing has come of these requests. There is a law allowing the commutation of sentences of prisoners into classes, the first-timers from the old and repeated offenders. I found one man in the prison who had been there eight times, another seven, and quite a number who had been there six times. Now those are old and hardened offenders. I believe the criminal laws of Indiana should be so changed as to conform in some respects with the laws of Ohio and Illinois. Acts relating especially to habitual criminals should be passed; that is, they should be paroled or ticket-of-leave system and a board of pardons. I have taken some space to these matters in my book, treating them in a practical sort of way. The Governor of Indiana has no time to look through the pardon applications, which should be looked through carefully. The Governor of a State, even though he is busy, should have a great burden laid upon his conscience in these pardon matters. If a board of pardons be created the law should provide that the members of the board meet every three months at the prison to examine all applications, and in addition to that inquire into the conduct of every prisoner in the institution. They should examine the records and advise themselves of the facts in all cases."

Here the little Democratic boss lighted a fresh cigar, and continued: "I have considerable stress on the separation of prisoners and giving marks of conduct. This record should be submitted to the pardon board every three months, and on these marks some prisoners should be allowed to go out on parole or ticket-of-leave, while others should be advanced or lowered in record."

"What about work for prisoners?" inquired the reporter. "You know that good streets and roadways is my hobby. I believe there should be a work-house in every county in the State, even though it be only a small one, attached to a jail. There are tramps and those who commit the smaller offenses and crimes who should be made to crack stone, and this stone should be put upon the streets of the cities and towns. Justices and police magistrates should be given more power to commit such offenders, and they ought to be kept well supplied with stone to break. There are many offenders who get off lightly who ought to be given six months. For a second offense they should be given a shorter sentence in the penitentiary, and for a third offense be kept there until the board of pardons would see fit to release them. Some of this may seem severe, but if men are continually committing crimes and violating the law there is certainly a little room for reformation, and they should be kept

in for the security of the community. Ohio has tried the parole system for three years, and has found it to work well. Out of almost three hundred men paroled during that time only 25 per cent. returned to prison for any thing like serious crimes, a few having been returned for drunkenness and petty misdemeanors. By means of work-houses and the parole system the criminal record would in a few years be greatly changed. The number of criminals would be greatly reduced. The work-houses would be turning out men for the streets and highways which would be covered with broken stone, laid by free labor (not by prisoners) at a very little cost. There are, on average, eighty-five men in our work-house all the time. If their labor was taken up in breaking stone, and that stone placed upon our streets, it would not only beautify Indianapolis, but would have first-class roadways."

"What is your view of employing convicts in the State prison?" inquired the reporter. "I have a stationer in my book covering that subject. I am satisfied that labor of some kind must be maintained in every State's prison. It is for the benefit of the prisoners, and it is for the benefit of the State. I believe the mind is apt to become weakened, perhaps his reason will be overthrown. There is a proof of this in the fact that the prisoners who would mind work, and who would be employed in the prison, are not as deranged as those who are not. I observed in the northern prison that men employed on contract labor as a rule finish by 4 o'clock, and go to their homes. Some would finish as early as a 2 o'clock, and would then sit in the shops and read the papers, or make trinkets of various kinds for the prisoners. There were a few who required all the working hours to complete their tasks. Work is a blessing to them. It is in the evening on retiring to their rooms that they would read the papers, and it is then that he broods over his wrongs, and perhaps maps out a course to pursue when he gets out."

"The library has about three thousand volumes, and the books are well selected. There is also a school of forty-eight prisoners, who are employed in the prison. I think it would be well to have the school system enlarged, in employing teachers, and have all the prisoners attend. The prisoners who would mind work, and who would be employed in the prison, are not as deranged as those who are not. I observed in the northern prison that men employed on contract labor as a rule finish by 4 o'clock, and go to their homes. Some would finish as early as a 2 o'clock, and would then sit in the shops and read the papers, or make trinkets of various kinds for the prisoners. There were a few who required all the working hours to complete their tasks. Work is a blessing to them. It is in the evening on retiring to their rooms that they would read the papers, and it is then that he broods over his wrongs, and perhaps maps out a course to pursue when he gets out."

"Will the book be illustrated?" inquired the reporter. "I saw that my opportunity was at hand. The people I have met will be in this book; the politicians and everyone else. I have been a rather stirring man; have been connected with some of the most important events of the world. I have seen the inside of a prison, and I have seen the inside of a jail. I have seen the inside of a work-house, and I have seen the inside of a penitentiary. I have seen the inside of a prison, and I have seen the inside of a jail. I have seen the inside of a work-house, and I have seen the inside of a penitentiary."

RACIUS CRINOVARX HUMANUS.

A Discovery by an Indiana Man Which Will Make Hairless Millions Hurrah.

Baldheaded men who have had to suffer the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune in the shape of the gibes of those who sit behind them at the opera, and catch the glory of the ball reflected from their shining heads, will be pleased to learn that an Indiana chemist has paved the way for their deliverance. This is not an advertisement, and the individual who speaks of chestnuts, or who utters "rats," without first applying his eye to wisdom and his heart to understanding, may have occasion to regret his hasty judgment. It seems some of the greatest scientific discoveries of the head reaching further back than was strictly demanded by the laws of beauty, began to investigate the subject, began to investigate the damage was caused by a microbe, which, for the sake of brevity and to distinguish it from other parasites, he called the Bacillus Crinovorax Humanus. This microbe, we are told, is shaped like the point of a needle, and has a power of rotary motion like a steam drill, which it uses to cut into the scalp, and by loosening the fastenings of his thatch, and finally unroofing him as completely as the Kansas cyclone unroofed the little houses in that State's heart. It might be supposed that with these powerful qualities of destructiveness the B. C. H. could pursue its infamous career of destruction, but the Indiana chemist has devised a preparation which promptly reduces it to a condition of innocuous desuetude. The first dose causes it to abandon its nefarious occupation. This remark on the rapidly-growing unhealthfulness of the neighborhood, and the next application causes it either to vacate the scalp, or to die in the most honorable manner. Not only does it rid the settlement of the unwelcome intruder, but it does others of like ilk from coming to take up the abandoned habitation.

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GOSSIP TEMPERANCE.

The Murphy Blue-Ribbon League Continues Its Good Work.

The gospel temperance meeting at Masonic Hall, yesterday afternoon, was fairly well attended, Charles E. Reynolds, of the Blue-ribbon League, presiding. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. Kennedy, of Grand St. E. Church, Capt. Wirt and W. B. Fletcher, Captain Wirt told of his struggles to quit drink, and his final success. "It pays to quit," said the Captain. "Francis Murphy is a good man to take into partnership. I took him as a partner, when, a short time ago, I started in the business of selling beer on Indiana avenue. I began with a twenty-five pound sack of flour a day, and had a hard time. I now take a barrel a day. I have not treated liquor since the 17th day of last May." Quite a number of men came for ward and signed the pledge. It is intended to have a larger meeting next Sunday, and Dr. Van Alstyne and others will be invited to address the league.

OLIVE-STREET CHURCH.

Captain Wirt, of this city, Mr. Cameron, of Terre Haute, and others addressed a large audience, last night, on gospel temperance, at the Olive-street Presbyterian Church. To-night a meeting in the same interest will be addressed by John H. King and others. The league that has been organized in this city will meet to-morrow night, and there will be services at the church every evening this week.

LIGHT INFANTRY VETERANS.

A Militia Company That Has Been Serviceable to the State and Won Several Prizes.

The Indianapolis Light Infantry Veterans' Association will hold another meeting to-night in Tomlinson Hall. The constitution of the organization provides for four quarterly meetings and one annual banquet to be held, the latter Feb. 22, of each year. The last regular quarterly meeting was held a week ago last Saturday night, but much important business remained to be transacted. The company was organized by Capt. James H. Ross under whom the company made distinctive progress, although Captain Ruckle had brought its efficiency to a high standard. The company soon became noted for its readiness, discipline and general good qualities. It has done more service for the State in the suppression of riot and the guarding of public property than any other. It has made a good record in the competition for prizes in 1881, at St. Louis, it took eighth place, but in 1882, at Nashville, it rose to fourth. In 1883, when the encampment was held in Columbus, it carried off with it the interstate prizes. At Louisville, in 1884, it ranked third, and at Fairmont Park, one year later, it once more fell back to fourth.

IT CLOSED WITH A MURDER

Oscar Johnson Killed at a Dance Because He Attempted to Stop a Quarrel.

The Murderer Lawrence Escapes, and the Police Spend Hours in a Fruitless Search—An Employer Attacked by an Employee.

Shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday morning Oscar Johnson (colored) was shot and instantly killed by John Lawrence, also colored, the quarrel arising over attentions both were paying to a young woman. For the past three weeks a number of colored people have met on Saturday nights in the house of Peter Burke, a Jeanon on Michigan street, between Crown Hill and the work-house. On these occasions dancing has been kept up to the early hours of Sunday morning, and beer has been served in large quantities. On several occasions free fights and quarreling have occurred. Nearly all who were present yesterday morning when the shot was fired were in a drunken condition, and at that time the company was separating for the night. A quarrel arose about John Jeans taking one of the women home, and Johnson endeavored to prevent Lawrence from doing so. He persuaded him not to interfere, whereupon Johnson, it is claimed, struck Lawrence. Blows were exchanged, and Lawrence, drawing a revolver, fired into the crowd of them went wide of the mark, but the third struck Johnson in the abdomen.

"He has killed me," the wounded man said with a groan, as he fell to the ground. The murderer, immediately after the shooting, which occurred in the rear of Burke's house, clambered over the fence and running through a cornfield, made off in the direction of the country. This was the last seen of him. The people gathered about Johnson, lifted him from the ground and carried him to the house of the doctor, where he died. An unconscious condition, and expired shortly afterward. Both Johnson and Lawrence were about twenty years of age. Johnson was a native of Indiana, and was on West Second street, and was employed in Bristol's poultry-house. The murdered man and the murderer had known each other for some time. Lawrence was a member of a colored quartet whose talent had been in demand at other than colored gatherings. Fanny Ewing, who was present at the time of the murder, and says that five minutes before the shooting the men were on good terms, laughing and talking to each other. 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