

The Vendetta in America

By FREDERICK J. HASKIN.

Every section in America has its criminal problem, but none has one more difficult to solve than that of the Appalachian region, where the vendetta is a common to-day as it has ever been in the past.

Far from being always primitive, the mountain feudist is often an advanced criminal, capable of business affairs, fairly educated, well-to-do, and of good address.

Romance has invested the feuds of the Appalachian region with a glamour, but the feud of fact is sordid. The fighting is rarely done in the open.

The dockets of criminal courts in the West cases are clogged with entries against mountaineers, but convictions are few, death sentences extremely rare, and pardons secured by clan leaders with State-wide political influence for convicted assassins are not uncommon.

In a famous criminal trial in Kentucky recently, testimony was adduced showing that there existed in the mountain counties from which witnesses were summoned a secret order planned for the mutual protection of outlaws.

During the progress of the notorious Tolliver-Logan feud in Rowan County, Ky., the State administration made many ineffectual attempts to secure the conviction of the leaders of the Tolliver clan, but nothing material resulted.

On one occasion a number of Tolliver's men were sent to the home of a physician with directions to demand the surrender of his two sons in return for warrants which they pretended to have.

At this time it was apparent that no appeal to the law could avail to crush the power of the Tollivers. At the point of a rifle, and by the votes of a handful of his retainers, other voters fearing to come to the polls, Craig Tolliver had himself elected police judge, declared prohibition in effect, forced all saloons to close, and opened a saloon of his own.

After leaving Morehead, Boone Logan appeared at Frankfort and sought an interview with the governor. Just what advice was given to him was never divulged. Mr. Logan then went to Cincinnati, where he purchased 100 repeating rifles, having raised the funds by mortgaging his Morehead home.

At a signal another body of men led by Boone Logan, entered Morehead, and the battle began. Trains were flagged east and west of the town, for the double purpose of preventing the escape of the feudists, and preventing possible injury to passengers.

A delightful musical and vaudeville entertainment will be given by the children of St. Paul's parish next Tuesday evening in the school hall, the proceeds of which will be for the benefit of the Sunday school.

Rev. Father Van Ingelghem, of the Virginia Apostolate, and Rev. Father Crane, of St. Louis, were guests of the Apostolic Mission House last week. The second number of the Catholic Virginian, published last week, contains an interesting account of the recent missions given by Father Van Ingelghem and Father Thomas E. Waters in Danville, Alexandria, Leesburg, and Old Point. Father Van Ingelghem was formerly a State Senator. His cousin, the late Thomas Hargis, was one of the judges of the Kentucky Court of Appeals.

The Democratic State central committee, the governing body of the party in Kentucky, and is now a circuit judge. His brother, William Young, is an attorney for former County Judge James Hargis, of Breathitt County, who is charged with several murders growing out of the Hargis-Cockrill feud in Jackson.

Kentucky is just now wrestling with the prosecution of a number of men charged with complicity in the assassination of James B. Marcum, James Cockrill, and Dr. D. B. Cox at Jackson, known as "the city of sudden death."

Judge Hargis is estimated to be worth \$100,000. His brother, Alexander Hargis, is a prominent merchant in the city.

CATHOLIC CHURCH NOTES.

The Feast of the Holy Trinity, observed tomorrow, the first Sunday of the Pentecost season, recalls the fact that the Apostles, after the descent of the Holy Ghost, hastened to preach the mystery of the Holy Trinity.

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The larger feuds of the Appalachian region attract attention. Many murders committed in remote sections of the mountains never gain publicity wider than that afforded by neighborhood gossip.

Dr. Fairfax never claimed his title, but with his death, a few years ago, his eldest son assumed it, and as Baron or Lord Fairfax was summoned by royal writ to sit in the great gathering of peers and nobles which witnessed the enthronement of King Edward VII in Westminster Abbey.

The celebration of the anniversary is set for Tuesday, June 11. It was hoped that Bishop Satterlee could be present and preach the sermon, but unfortunately the bishop's arrangements prevent his doing this, and his place as preacher is to be supplied by Archdeacon La Roche.

The famous Peace Cross on the cathedral grounds, at the dedication of which the late President McKinley made one of his most effective speeches, is to be raised some three feet to permit the placing at its base of a pulpit from which the preacher can preach at the cathedral open-air services.

The special preacher at the open-air services this year will be Chaplain Pierce, who will be on leave from duty in the United States Army, and will be replaced by Chaplain H. A. Brown, of Myers, Va., formerly chaplain of the regiment of the Rough Riders, and the occasion will be a notable one.

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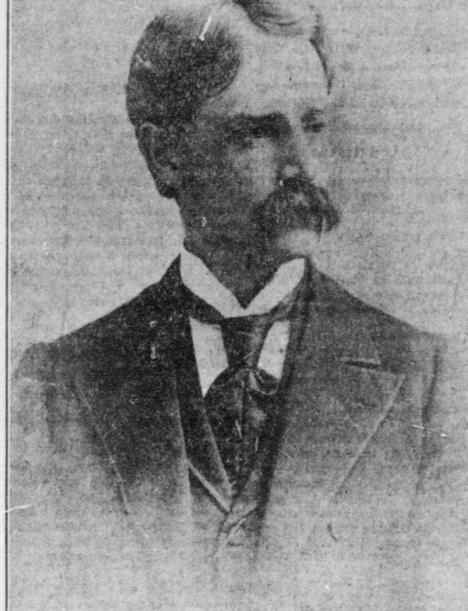
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REV. ELMER E. MARSHALL. Rev. Elmer E. Marshall, recently appointed pastor of the North Capital Methodist Episcopal Church, has entered upon his duties at the head of the congregation with an enthusiasm which promises great things in the near future.

CHURCH SERVICES TO-MORROW

NOTICES FOR THESE COLUMNS SHOULD REACH THE HERALD OFFICE BY 9 P. M. FRIDAY.

EPISCOPAL. A PEOPLE'S OPEN-AIR MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held on the Washington Cathedral grounds, Mount St. Alban, D. C., on Sunday, May 26, at 4 p. m.

PRESBYTERIAN. METROPOLITAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 4th and B streets, N. W., Rev. Albert Evans, D. D., pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

BAPTIST. WEST WASHINGTON, 1st and N. Pastor, C. P. Steadler, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Rev. C. C. Clark, pastor, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

CHRISTIAN. VERMONT AVENUE CHURCH, Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. The pastor, "Boys and Girls in the Streets of Jerusalem," 8:30 a. m. Illustrated.

UNIVERSALIST. CHURCH OF OUR FATHER, 13th and L streets, N. W., Rev. John Van Schelt, pastor, 11 a. m. morning service.

CONGREGATIONAL. THE PEOPLE'S CHURCH, 17th and Temple, 1012 10th st., Rev. Alexander Kieffer, pastor, who speaks at 11:15 of "The New Theology," by R. J. Campbell, M. A., of City Temple, London. Seats free. All welcome.

THEOLOGY. LECTURE, "The Invisible Kingdom," at headquarters of the Washington Bible Society, 22 A. st. se., Sunday, May 25, 10:30 a. m. Public invited.

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