

The Times' Daily Short Story.

INGENIOUS JUSTICE

(Original.)
"Mary Easton, stand up."
A girl of twenty arose, and the judge asked:

"Have you anything to say why sentence should not be passed upon you?"
"Only that I am innocent."

Then Judge Lester proceeded to sentence her for two years in the state prison for receiving stolen goods, the articles being a new old piece of silver of no very great value. The girl had never offended before, and witnesses testified to her good character, but she could not or would not explain how the silver came into her possession. There was nothing for her but conviction and nothing for the judge but to pass sentence. As she stood before him there was the serene look of a martyr on her face, and the judge said mentally, "The assurance of criminals and the appearances they can assume are marvelous."

The girl was led away, and the judge left his office. Lighting a cigar, he strolled home. On the way he stopped at Sandiver's, his jeweler, to get his watch, that had been left for repairs, and while looking over the wares remembered that the anniversary of his marriage would come off in about a week. He had decided on a brooch for a present on the occasion, and went over to where these articles were displayed. While looking over them a young man at his side divided with him the attention of the salesman. The judge left the store without making a selection.

The next evening while sitting in his library before dinner there was a ring at the doorbell, and a note came in from Sandiver announcing that the day before he had got in a new lot of brooches and begging that the judge would examine some that he had sent by the bearer.

The judge read the note several times. Surely Sandiver was anxious to sell his goods; he had never sent samples to his house before. Competition seemed to be driving the druggists of reputable firms into people's homes. However, he had a little time before dinner and would look at the brooches. The salesman was brought in and produced articles that the judge had seen in Sandiver's cases the day before, besides new ones. One of those he had seen and fancied was offered at a third of the value put on it when he had first seen it.

"You are mistaken in the price of this," said the judge. "It is worth more money."
"Perhaps I am," replied the salesman, "but it is a rule of our house never to go back on a price once given."

The judge took the brooch and held it under the gaslight. There were jewels in it that sparkled beautifully. "I will take this one," he said, "but

mind, if you are mistaken in the price and will notify me within a few days we will call the sale off."

"The price is correct," said the salesman—"that is, to you—and the sale will stand so far as we are concerned."

The brooch was left and the salesman departed.
A few days later, during a recess of the court, an inspector of police stepped up to the judge and asked him if a man purporting to be from Sandiver's had called on him with some jewelry to sell.

"Yes," replied the judge, "and I bought a brooch."
"Then, your honor," replied the inspector, smiling, "you are a receiver of stolen goods. The man was an impostor."

"Impossible! He presented a note written on Sandiver's letter head and brought jewelry that I had seen in Sandiver's cases."

"Please speak lower, judge," said the inspector. "This is a very embarrassing case. The man has done the police department, Sandiver and you. He came to me and offered to work for nothing till he had proved his skill. I didn't employ him, but he stayed about headquarters long enough to steal some of our letter heads. On one of these he forged a letter introducing him to Sandiver, stating that he was on the track of some of their stolen goods and if they would mark some brooches and permit him to take them out for sale he was quite sure he could recover a large amount of their property. The singular part of it is that he returned all the articles except the one sold you."

"Captain," said the judge, "you are right in not letting the world know of this trick. Come to my house after 5 o'clock, and we will talk it over."

When the inspector called he carried with him a letter he had received, which he handed to the judge to read:

Captain—Judge Lester recently sentenced a girl, Mary Easton, to whom I am engaged to be married, to state prison for receiving stolen goods. I determined to show the judge that he could readily be induced to commit the same crime, if it be a crime. On the day he sentenced Mary Easton I followed him to Sandiver's, saw him examine brooches and then told my scheme. The honest intent of my act is established by the fact that I immediately returned through a confederate all the jewelry except the one sold to Judge Lester, and the money for that is at your service. Yours truly,
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No. 10 South Fifth Street.

After reading the note the judge looked up with a singular expression.

"Captain," he said, "notify the attorney who defended Mary Easton that if he will draw up an application to the governor for a pardon I will sign it."

The inspector left the judge to mull over the many defects of justice.

"Mary," said her lover the evening after her liberation, "for heaven's sake give up protecting that scoundrel brother of yours. I could never get you off this way again."

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A YOUTHFUL GENIUS.

Nine-year-old Boy a Prodigy In Study.

SPELLED WELL AT AGE OF THREE.

Norbert Wiener, Son of a Harvard Professor, is Master of Higher Mathematics, the Sciences and Several Dead Languages—At Eighteen Months He Knew His Alphabet and at Five Years He Was Reading Latin.

Although he is only nine years old, Norbert Wiener, son of Professor Leo Wiener, instructor of Slavic at Harvard college, is master of higher mathematics, of the sciences and of several dead languages, says a special dispatch from Cambridge, Mass., to the New York Herald. With little preparation he could enter Harvard, but his father will not permit him to do so until he is fifteen years old. In the meantime he will continue a course of study Professor Wiener has mapped out for him, and it is predicted by several of the Harvard faculty who have watched his wonderful progress that at fifteen he will be one of the educational marvels of the century.

Young Wiener does not look like the student that he is. He likes play as well as any boy of his age, and his chums are robust looking little fellows.

"It is a pleasure to study," said Norbert, "and I find much amusement in making tests in chemistry in the little laboratory which papa has fitted up for me. I spend an hour in the laboratory every day, and then I read some Latin, German or French author. Bury's 'History of Greece' I also find interesting."

"My eyes trouble me at times, and for that reason I have been obliged to give up reading extensively for more than three months. My mamma reads to me about an hour each day except Saturdays, that being a vacation day to me as well as to the other boys and girls in Cambridge. I have been outdoors all day playing marbles, running about with my playmates."

"The only thing that I read today was the morning paper story about the war between Russia and Japan. I am for the Russians because my papa was born and educated in Russia and that is his country. He and I talk about the battles every day and night, and I hope that Russia will win."

Professor Wiener does not consider his boy any brighter than the ordinary lad of his age and tries to impress this fact upon him. The little fellow has had advantages to learn which do not come to every boy, his father has told him, and he is often warned not to make a display of his knowledge that would make his playmates feel uncomfortable.

"I detest allowing the boy to imagine that there is anything out of the ordinary in his makeup," said Professor Wiener, "and throughout his life I have taught him to consider himself inferior rather than superior to any of the children of his own age."

"The boy has been remarkable in many things. When he was only eight months old he knew his alphabet, and when he was three years old he could write and spell very well. It was during his third year that I discovered that he really had a desire to learn, and when he was five years old he was studying Latin. When he was eight he could reason out problems in differential calculus, perform tests in chemistry and read intelligently Latin, French and German, besides having a fair idea of Slavic."

"When he was five years old I took him to a public school, but found that he was not fitted for any class there. He was either too advanced for some class or not enough advanced for another. After considerable tutoring on my part I have him educated now so he will be fitted for high school in another year, although he is studying matter now that is considered advanced work for the year. He is too young, too much of a child—to go to college."

"Within a few weeks I will send him out to a farm, where he will romp and play with other children until fall. His eyes are so weak that it is necessary for him to wear glasses, and I do not intend to allow him to overwork or strain his eyes on any account. He has somewhat of a matured expression but he is mature only in reasoning. Personally I see nothing out of the ordinary in him, any more than that he is studious, has a very retentive memory and has acquired a taste for picking up such work as I am interested in."

Norbert has a little brother and sister, but they take little interest in study. They love to romp and play with him, and they are proud of him, but mud pies and marbles appeal more to them than chemistry tests and mathematics.

Rubber Trees.
The milk of the rubber tree contains 56 per cent of water and 44 per cent of rubber.

CUSTOMS OF KOREANS

Punishment of Criminals Extended to Their Families.

ALL WORK LEFT TO THE WOMEN

Their Participation in Public Entertainments Limited to Two Festivals a Year—Men Strained Only For Amusement and Sport—Fearful Tortures Still Fate of Evil Doers.

Ernest von Hesse-Wartegg, the famous German traveler, husband of Minnie Hauck, relates some interesting facts on Korean life, writes the Berlin correspondent of the New York Times. "In Korea, as in Morocco," he says, "tortures are very common. In the prisons I saw instruments which were not so fearful as those which two centuries ago were used in our own country—only simple sticks and ropes or the well known 'kang,' the neck board—but they put them to a fearful use. Only a few years ago the legs of condemned persons were broken with the sticks, while the ropes were placed twice around the joints of the victim and pulled together in such a manner as to sink deep into the flesh. Besides these tortures, the punishments are extended to the family of the criminal. For example, even today the punishment for treason is decapitation of the offender and the poisoning or enslavement of the mother, wife and daughter. The treason of a woman is punished by poisoning. For murder the punishment is similar. If a man commits theft he is decapitated or in lesser cases banished to a lonely island, his property confiscated and his wife sold as a slave."

"For the desecration of the graves of ancestors—for in Korea a cult prevails similar to that in China—the offender and all his male relations to the fifth degree are decapitated, and his mother and the other female members of his family are poisoned. The poisoning is usually done in prison by a dose of arsenic. The decapitation until a few years ago took place in a broad, frequented street before the west gates of the city. The notice of death sentence is usually published in the written State Gazette."

"The police system in Korea is very elaborate, and it is rare that a criminal escapes unless he has money enough to fill the pocket of a mandarin. Every male Korean possesses a pass, consisting of a long tablet, on which his name, position and residence are written. The tablets of the common people are of wood, of soldiers' horn, of the low nobility and officials bone. The ministers, princes and high nobility use red visiting cards; also small tablets of ivory, for every Korean is compelled to have such a pass. Usually he wears it with a string around his neck under his clothes or on the lower arm under the sleeve. If at night a pedestrian in the street is found without his tablet he is at once arrested. At receptions the Koreans introduce themselves by presenting these passes with a deep bow."

"On the public streets one sees only women of the lower classes, and these hide their faces when foreign men approach. Only the dancers and singers appear on the street without a veil. Women take no part in public amusements or in out of door sport. Two festival days of the year are, however, given up to them entirely. The first of these festivals is a general bathing day, usually occurring in August. On this day in all of the cities and villages women and children troop to the shores of the river. The second feast day is devoted to the old women of the lower classes, who for the whole year are compelled to do the heaviest work, carry burdens, gather rags and clean streets. On this day they need not do any work. They dress themselves in clean white clothes and go to the quarters of the rich, where all houses are open to them. There they receive gifts of money and refreshments and are allowed to wander through the houses and gardens. On the next day they return to their usual work. On the day devoted to ancestor worship the women also take part with the men."

"Owing to the lazy characteristics of the Koreans public amusements in their life play a great role. All work is left to women. The men sleep, smoke, gossip, play cards and dominoes, fish, hunt, fly kites and practice with bow and arrow. The Koreans in this respect have acquired great skill, and the sport is fostered by the government. Boxing and wrestling are also industriously practiced, and in a personal fight even the Manchoo are not equal to them, while the small Japanese are pygmies in comparison. Neighboring villages or parts of a city frequently arrange sporting contests."

"Next to the birthday of the king the greatest festival day of the year is the commemoration of victories which the Koreans have repeatedly won against the Japanese. No nation is so hated by the Koreans as the Japanese, whom they contemptuously call 'wojen.' This hatred cannot be easily eradicated, and in case of a Russian victory the Japanese will have to do with the Koreans."

Somnambulist's Long Trip.
An extraordinary case of sleep walking is reported of a young servant girl, says a London cable dispatch to the New York Herald. She went to bed the other night in her employer's house at Roughton, Sussex. When she woke up she found herself on Mousehold Heath, Norwich, eighteen miles away. On a former occasion she took another night walk in her sleep, waking up to find herself fully dressed in Cromer, several miles away from where she had gone to sleep.



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Strong Faith of the Japanese in Their Emperor.

The divine attributes which the Japanese believe attaches to their emperor, the "son of heaven," is curiously shown in Admiral Togo's reply to the imperial message of thanks sent him and his men after the attempt to blockade the harbor entrance at Port Arthur, says Richard H. Little, the Tokyo correspondent of the Chicago News. The admiral in his message says:

"We, humble subjects of your majesty, are deeply impressed by the gracious imperial message granted us regarding the attempt to seal the entrance to Port Arthur. It is a matter of great regret to us that the attempt was not successful as fully as could be desired, yet we are grateful that almost all the officers and men who undertook the task returned safely by the unseen power of protection of your illustrious majesty. I submit this reply with profound humility."

"The 'unseen power of protection of the emperor'—there is something that is written in every Japanese heart. Perhaps that is why they are so willing to do and dare. The emperor is with every one of his loyal subjects. His protection is always about him. If he wills to withdraw it and let them die it is only because it is best that it should be so. The death of one man or a hundred men or a thousand is nothing. There is only one thing that is worth all others—the continued and ever increasing glory of Japan."

Animal Language.
Animals have a language made up of signs or inarticulate sounds expressing impressions, sensations, passions, but never ideas. So this language excludes conversation and is limited to interjections or signs or movements expressing joy, grief, fear, anger, all the passions of the senses, but never more.

"Sons of Rest."
In north London there is a gang which describes itself as the "Amalgamated Sons of Rest." One of the chief laws is that no member shall work before the age of sixty. If he has the temerity to disobey this rule a penalty is inflicted.

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CURIOUS CULLINGS.

Lowiston, Me., has a moon eyed horse, an animal that goes blind every month on the full of the moon.

A hungry crow entered the henhouse of Edward Haskins at East Wareham, Mass., one day recently and carried away six eggs.

Some russet apples tested by a man a few days ago grew in 1892 on the farm of Frank White in Newfane, Vt., and proved very good.

An orange measuring twelve inches in diameter and weighing nine pounds has been grown by F. Gerber of Braam river, Kouga, South Africa.

At Taunton, Mass., recently a man ate ten hard boiled eggs and topped the feast off with a raw one, all in less than ten minutes, to win a wager.

In Cuba two hours before a paper is distributed a copy must be sent, with the editor's name, to the government and one to the censor. When a paper is returned with the censor's indorsement, the paper may go to the public.

GOWN GOSSIP.

Fringes are a dominant note in day and evening gowns.

Shantung silk in natural color is a favored fabric for spring coats.

Bats, buttercups, coins, fleurs-de-lys and daisies are favorite designs for buttons and ornaments.

A touch of gold and of golden yellow is observed everywhere. Tinsel ribbons, tinsel lace and tinsel embroideries are common.

Flowers for millinery are very small this season and unnatural in coloring, roses appearing in every tint of the rainbow as well as the natural shades and other bloomings in like variety.

Since full skirts have come to stay, for awhile at least, it is but natural that dress materials should tend to this pliable fabrics. Taffetas have become lighter and softer, and nets, crapes, chiffons and gauzes are in high favor.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Diet and Heart Beats.
The heart of a vegetarian beats on an average fifty-eight to the minute; that of a meat eater seventy-five. This represents a difference of 21,000 beats in twenty-four hours.

None Wants No More Workmen.
Seattle, Wash., April 8.—A telegram has been received from the mayor of Nome warning laboring men to keep away from that district. This telegram was sent by messenger over the ice to St. Michael's, thence by telegraph to Dawson and on by way of Ashcroft, B. C., to Seattle. The dispatch says: "Organized labor in this city desires to spread broadcast the news that there are enough skilled mechanics and laborers in all branches here to care for all the work on hand. The need is for capital and business men of ability."

Compromise in Kansas.
Wichita, Kan., April 8.—Before the Democratic state convention to name delegates to the national convention at St. Louis was called to order the delegates who sought instructions for William B. Hearst for president agreed not to ask for instructions if J. G. Johnson, national committeeman for Kansas, and H. P. Farrelly, admitted Hearst men, were named as delegates-at-large to the national convention at St. Louis. The convention will name twenty delegates, with alternates to the national convention.

Labor War in Beaver County.
Pittsburg, April 8.—The Beaver County Builders' Exchange league, which was recently organized, has begun its first battle with organized labor. All the carpenters made a demand for an increase of 25 cents a day. They were getting \$3. The association considers the demands of the workmen unjust and has decided to fight. About 500 carpenters are striking, throwing out of employment about 1,000 unskilled workers. Other crafts will be affected and by the end of the week fully 2,000 men will be idle. The strike affects all carpenters in Beaver county.

Artificial Eyes.
Artificial eyes were first used by the Egyptians long before the Christian era. Mummies have been found with artificial optics. They were fashioned in gold, silver, copper or ivory.

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