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# The Great Trials of History

## TRIAL OF HICKS

Albert W. Hicks, who was executed on Bedloe's Island, where the Bartholdi Statue of Liberty Enlightening the World now stands, on July 13, 1860, was the greatest murderer who ever has been convicted and punished in this country. Hicks was merely tried for the murder of Captain Burr, Smith and Oliver Watts, which he had committed on board the oyster sloop E. A. Johnson. But this was but a minute part of the great number of crimes of a similar character of which he was guilty.

The indictment against the prisoner was that on the 21st of March, 1860, on the sloop Johnson, Hicks had committed the crime of robbery upon George H. Burr, master and commander of the vessel, and to conceal the crime had murdered the three men named. The sloop, which was found floating in the New York bay, showed every evidence of the crime by the large spots of blood upon it.

When the murder became known Hicks made his escape from New York and was apprehended at Providence, R. I. and brought back to the city. When he was arrested he had on his person a silver watch which was identified as having belonged to Captain Burr, as well as other articles belonging to Burr and the other two men murdered.

After a preliminary examination before the grand jury Hicks was indicted and placed on trial on May 18. The trial lasted five days, during which time the prisoner maintained a show of cold indifference. In those days robbery on the high seas was punishable with death, and in consequence only for piracy was the prisoner tried, and not for murder. The prosecution was conducted by ex-Judge Roosevelt, the United States district attorney, and by two assistants, Charles H. Hunt and James F. Dwight. Messrs. Graves and Sayles defended the prisoner.

Mr. Dwight made the opening speech for the government. The first witness called was Selah Captain Burr of the sloop in which the robbery and murder were committed. The examination of many other prisoners followed, all of which testified as to seeing Hicks on the sloop when it left the dock, others seeing him on the boat, and still others meeting him after the murder. Several witnesses who had met Hicks testified that he had told them that he had been in a wreck at sea, in which his sloop was run into and the other members of the crew were knocked overboard and either killed or drowned.

The watch was brought in as evidence, as well as the other articles found on the prisoner. At the end of the fifth day Judge Smalley charged the jury, and they withdrew at 10:35 and were only out seven minutes before they returned and announced a verdict of "guilty." Hicks was then removed to the Tombs in irons. A motion for a new trial was afterwards argued and denied. Immediately after this decision the sentence of death was passed upon Hicks, the day fixed for the execution being Friday, July 13.

Hicks made a long confession before Lorenzo de Anzeles, the deputy United States marshal for the southern district of New York, on July 9. In this story the prisoner gave a complete history of his life from the date of his birth, in 1829, in the town of Foster, Rhode Island. He had run away from home when he was fifteen. From this on for the next twenty-five years the story of his life of crime is most amazing, and covered almost every section of the globe, down to the murders on the "E. A. Johnson."

Hicks confessed that he had never known of or seen Captain Burr before he shipped with him. He said the captain was an amiable man, and that he even liked him, but that he had engaged himself solely, and only for the cruel purpose of taking his life, because he knew that he had considerable money with him. This confession is one of the most remarkable ever subscribed to by a criminal.

Hicks was executed at half past eleven o'clock in the morning of July 13. The execution was witnessed by thousands from the numerous excursion boats on the bay and was in plain view from the Battery. A company of United States marines preserved order. He made no remarks on the gallows, except to request the marshal to hang him quick. Hicks' confession was printed generally throughout the country the day after his execution. There is no doubt, from this confession, that he was one of the most fiendish monsters that ever lived.

Tomorrow—Trial of Henri Rochefort.

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# OPEN FORUM FOR DEBATING STATE WIDE PROHIBITION

The very important issue of state-wide prohibition has been raised. A campaign in favor of a constitutional amendment will be shortly instituted. This, like all other important questions has two sides, on each of which are found honest and intelligent persons.

The Republican has decided to provide for a reasonable discussion of this issue in its pages, allowing to each side at least a half column daily for signed articles, for which there will be no charge. No anonymous article will be published.

It is only stipulated that the communications for and against prohibition be just and fair and that in no case shall there be any wild and extravagant statement that will in any way reflect upon the reputation of Phoenix for good order.

It is suggested by The Republican that either side, desiring to avail itself of this offer of space, name a committee through which all matter relating to the issue shall be transmitted. In such case, all communications received at this office from other sources will be rejected. We believe that this arrangement is necessary to keep the discussion within reasonable lines.

No paid advertisements from either side will be accepted.

## LIQUOR SOPHISTRIES

Everybody's Magazine is running a series of articles on John Barleycorn, "both sides." Of course there is only one side to the question, but as a concession to politeness and as an inducement to the liquor forces to defend their traffic we have to pretend that there are two sides.

The national wholesalers of liquor are represented by their president, Mr. H. J. Kaitenbach, who says: "The trade is convinced that prohibition in the United States is a failure. Statistics demonstrate that the consumption of liquors has increased ninety per cent per capita in the past twenty years, despite the large increase of territory nominally under prohibition laws."

The trade is convinced that state-wide prohibition has been a failure in every state which has attempted to experiment. This so-called argument answers itself. The commonest principles of logic applied to this statement reduces it to an absurdity. There is nothing the dealers desire quite so much as the failure of prohibition, and the increased sale of liquor. If, therefore, prohibition increased the consumption of liquor every dealer in the country would be a loud and persistent advocate of prohibition.

Again, who desires effective prohibitionists more than the prohibitionists themselves? If they are satisfied why should the dealers complain? The prohibitionists, who desire effective prohibition, favor prohibition as a remedy. The dealers, desiring no effective prohibition, are opposed to prohibition as a remedy. It ought not to be difficult for any man or woman to make a choice. The liquor dealer who argues thus convicts himself of insincerity at the start.

The facts are that prohibition, state-wide, has been very much of a success. It has not stopped the crime, for no law can do that, but it has minimized it. There was never a time in history when prohibition was quite so much of a success as it is right now. Three-fourths of the territory of the nation is dry. National prohibition is on the way and we are making the last stride in that direction.

The liquor dealers, when they get to defending the traffic, are compelled by the exigencies of the case to resort to subterfuge and falsehood. Their stories do not hang together. The National Liquor Dealer's Journal says: "The argument that prohibition does not prohibit is merely one of expediency. It is neither moral nor ethical. If no better reason can be presented by the friends of the alcoholic liquor trade, their discomfiture is sure."

In its attempts to rally the liquor forces for the final stand the paper above quoted says: "The united forces of the opposition will strive to write prohibition of the manufacture, importation, and sale of alcoholic liquors into the federal constitution. If they succeed it is the death-knell of the liquor business as a recognized industry."

Then this paper goes on to show that this result is not impossible. It says that twenty-seven states can be counted on to ratify the national amendment, and that the securing of nine more is not a "superhuman task." No, prohibition is not a failure. No one knows this better than the president of the national dealers. When he writes to the contrary the wish is no doubt father to the thought. He had best take the friendly advice of the liquor journal and avoid that "discomfiture" which is "sure."

G. R. RINEHART, General Superintendent Temperance Federation of Arizona.

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## THE FIRST LINE OF WARFARE

Even as things are today, France could bring 1000 men an hour into England by air if it were necessary. Twenty years hence France will be able to transport an army of 100,000 men and guns across the channel with twenty-five airships in an hour. Germany will be in practically the same position, though I believe she will be forced to discard the lighter-than-air type. Every first-class power will possess her fleet of great aerial battle-ships comparable to the dreadnoughts of today, and while navies must be maintained to a certain extent, the first arm both of offense and defense will undoubtedly be in the air. I trust that England will realize this as speedily as other nations. The million which has just been granted for the air service was needed a year ago, as I then stated—which created a good deal of ridicule at the time. Each year now must see the air estimates increased, and there must be no false economy in the matter of retaining old types. Daily now improvements are being made; the construction is changing; and, most important of all, high-powered engines are coming into existence. Once we can get, as I say, engines of sufficient power, there is no limit to what may be accomplished.

These changes must take time; but I am convinced it will be short. The

# THOMAS H. CHARRETT IS COMPLETELY EXONERATED

Young Man Suspected of Theft Proves Himself Victim of Circumstances

Completely exonerated of any charge of wrongdoing, restored to the full confidence of his employer and reinstated in the position he had held previous to his embarrassing encounter with Detective M. Joe Murphy in Prescott, Thomas H. Charrette, is one of the happiest young men in Phoenix today. Circumstances which cast suspicion over him and which practically convinced the detective that Charrette had been engaged in systematic stealing from the Ezra W. Thayer hardware store have proved unfounded.

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first principle has been established. It is as safe in the air as on the ground today. The rest is merely a matter of natural evolution. It is absurd naturally to say there are no more problems to be solved. There are; but they are not so difficult as was the initial one of actual flight—Claude Grahame White, in London Graphic.

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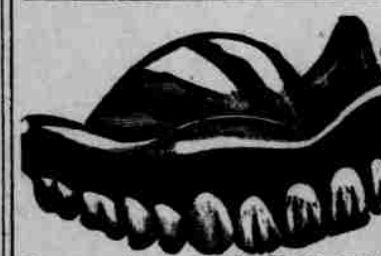
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