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HALF-BREED AROUSES WORLD BY WORK IN ENGLAND.

In Tour of Great Britain He Preached to 4,000,000 Persons — Writes Autobiography — Remembers from Ninth Month of Birth.

New York.—Lonnie Lawrence Dennis, the 11-year-old boy evangelist who for three months has been touring England, Scotland and Wales, where he held successful revivals, has returned to this city.

The boy is, for his years, a prodigy as a preacher, and all who have attended his meetings are amazed at his wonderful flow of language.

During the lad's tour of Great Britain he preached to probably 4,000,000 persons. His converts numbered 20,000. His daily audiences in London, the boy said, averaged 4,000.

In personal appearance the boy shows his parentage—his mother is a negress with a strain of Indian blood, while his father is half white and half Indian.

When he speaks it is with the deliberateness of age, and he at times emphasizes his words with vigorous shakes of his head. With the lad was his mother. Speaking of the English revivals, he said:

"The reason the Welsh revival is looked up as so remarkable is due to the fact that a revival in Wales is a very rare occurrence. To an American evangelist it would not seem unusual, for I have seen many revivals in this country which had a wider sweep and were more effective in their results."

Young Dennis has written a book, an autobiography. In the book he says that his memory dates from the ninth month after his birth, and that he can recall many things that happened to him when he was but a babe in arms. Of his family he says:

"My father's ancestors were French and Indian; my mother's African and Indian. I was born in Atlanta, Ga. Although my hair has gradually become very dark, as a baby I was red-headed. Unlike most babies, I did not care to be rocked to sleep. I always tried to chew my food instead of swallowing it down like other babies. I walked and talked fairly well when I was nine months old."

"I did not care much for the company of other juveniles. When I was two years old I had a definite impression that the Lord had a great work for me to do, and that He would soon call me out to preach to the people. While still a baby I would arrange my dolls on chairs and preach to them."

PRODUCES A NEW FLOWER.

The Head Gardener at Chicago Park Crosses Cinerarias—Experiment Results in Larger Blooms.

Chicago.—By crossing the stellata and hybrida varieties of cineraria, Alois Frey, head gardener at Lincoln park, has succeeded in producing an entirely new variety of the beautiful flower which combines the large plant of the one with the large bloom of the other.

Scores of the new flowers are now on exhibition in the Lincoln park conservatory and more will be placed there soon.

The remarkable feature of the production of the new flowers is that they were produced within a year after the varieties were crossed. So encouraged is Mr. Frey by the success of his experiment with the cineraria that he will continue the crossing of flowers, hoping next year to produce varieties that far surpass in beauty and grace the wonderful results of his first experiment.

The cineraria stellata is a large plant which bears a small flower, less than an inch in diameter. The cineraria hybrida, on the other hand, is a small plant which bears a large flower about an inch and a half in diameter.

A year ago Mr. Frey, who does a great deal of work similar to that of Luther Burbank, the celebrated florist of California, who has produced hundreds of new varieties, concluded that by crossing the two varieties he might succeed in producing a new flower combining the strong qualities of both and surpassing either of them in beauty.

Joy Ahead.
Jenkins—Aren't you disappointed that your baby was a girl?
Popley—No, indeed. I've just been thinking how much pleasure it will afford me some day to tell some foreign duke or count that he can't have her.
—Philadelphia Ledger.

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BECOMES HUBBY'S SERVANT

Discharged After Three Years' Service, She Sues Spouse for Nonsupport.

New Bedford, Mass.—Suit for non-support has been brought by Mrs. Henrietta H. Poltras, who, after being legally separated from her husband, returned to the house as his servant, and after three years' service was discharged by him.

Poltras says he had a perfect right to discharge his servant, and will claim that the first adjustment by the court of his troubles gave his wife no more rights than any servant hired through the agency of an employment bureau.

Mr. and Mrs. Poltras formerly resided in Canada, and when he left his flourishing hotel and came to this city and opened a grocery, his wife trailed him here and instituted separate maintenance proceedings. In lieu of alimony, Mrs. Poltras accepted \$500. She went to live in Middleboro, and he remained in this city.

After a few months the husband discovered that he needed a housekeeper and inserted an advertisement for one. His wife applied for the position, and out of several applicants was accepted because of her experience in that line of work. Under these unusual circumstances the two lived together.

A written contract was drawn up by the husband's attorney, whereby Mrs. Poltras was to live on the premises a stranger to her husband, and in this agreement she consented to be his servant and housekeeper in payment for her board.

Some days ago Mrs. Poltras claimed that her husband recently discharged her by forcibly kicking her into the street. She also said: "There is another woman whose name will probably be mentioned in the case. She was the cause of our first trouble, and, in spite of our legal separation, I claim that my three years' stay in his home has restored me to my wifely rights." Poltras would not say why he discharged his wife. "I had a perfect right to send her away, for she was only a servant," was his only explanation.

GIVES COAT FOR BOARD.

Proprietor of California Hotel Claims Clubman Owes Him \$15.60—Gets Article Back.

Oakland, Cal.—Police Judge Smith awarded into the care and custody of Col. J. Lynch of the Waldorf hotel an overcoat belonging to George E. Lawrence, capitalist, clubman and bon vivant, and thereby hangs a tale.

Lawrence, whose domestic troubles at his beautiful home in Piedmont have been aired in the press for some time, was arrested some weeks ago at the instance of his wife, Mrs. Laura Lawrence, who charged he came home overburdened with liquor and attacked her with a knife. She even claimed he had cut her on the neck, but the husband denied this, and asserted his wife had sustained her injury by falling against a telephone.

When Lawrence had spent several days in jail, and the wife, who is also suing him for a divorce for the third time, had failed to swear to a formal charge against her spouse, the prisoner was released. According to Lawrence, the colonel invited him to the Waldorf as his special guest. Lawrence remained at the hotel almost a week, and then went back to the Toluca. When he went back to the Waldorf after his overcoat, Col. Lynch refused to give up the garment, holding it as security for \$15.60 due from the owner for board.

Lawrence swore out a bench warrant, the police secured the coat, and after a partial hearing Judge Smith continued the matter. When the case was called Lawrence failed to materialize, and the court dismissed the proceedings and ordered Lawrence's overcoat turned over to Col. Lynch.

Wanderers of the Night.
The night's tale of vagrancy is an appalling one. In the aggregate the vagrants are a serious source of disease and danger to the public. Even an industriously disposed and honest man may be so broken down by adverse circumstances as to lose heart and strength and to let himself go downhill with despairing indifference.—London Hospital.

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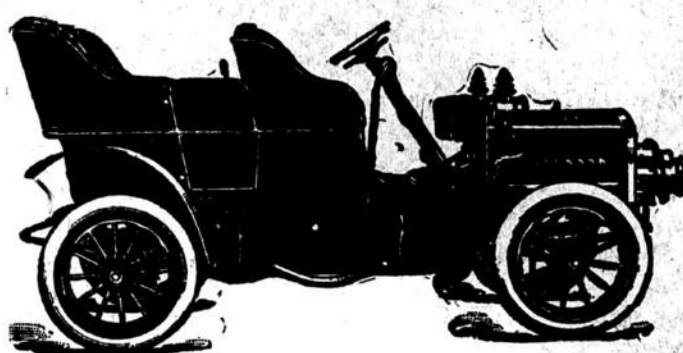
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Few Deliberately Bad.
Judged even by the most definite code of morals, no one is wholly bad. Few are deliberately bad. Their weaknesses and their errors are due to a certain defective sense or disease. They cannot for this reason accept condemnation and punishment for such offenses as come within the recognition of the law—though perhaps in the end the greatest harm to the individual and to society results from such moral lapses or perversions as are not recognized by the law.