

PUBLIC PUNISHMENT.

The Days of the Whipping Post, Stocks and Branding Irons. Up until the end of the war and a little while after the whipping post and stocks stood not far from the north-west corner of the courthouse and between that building and the present postoffice, and there the last whippings took place, though as it began to be sought to be stopped by a federal officer. The sheriff was, however, simply carrying out the mandate of the old court of pleas and quarter sessions.

VANITY OF CONVICTS.

The Way Some Men Spruce Up in the Penitentiary. "The vainest lot of men I ever did know are behind these walls," remarked a convict in the penitentiary. "For fastidious dressing and cleanliness I have never seen anything like it. Those who have been accustomed to sleeping up on the outside grow much worse in here, and those who never even combed their hair on the outside have it as clearly parted as they can. I know of a hundred instances where convicts have risked being paddled or having time taken away just for the sake of shaving. They get hold of a razor or improvise one and keep it in their cells. They all have mirrors in their cells along with the calendars.

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AUSTRALIAN RAIN.

When It Does Fall It Pours Down in a Perfect Flood. How different things are in the old world from what they are in the far-away tropics! "They had no rain here for a fortnight, and they called it a drought," wrote an Australian from Scotland in a scornfully superior tone calculated to induce the belief that it never rains in Australia and that droughts last a hundred years. Not so, Australia is the land of contrasts. A drought has lasted for seven years. But what is there even in Scotland to compare with the persistence of Australian rain when it does see fit to fall?

Blankets of Bark.

In Ecuador, one of the South American republics, the bark of a tree which grows on the slopes of the Andes is utilized for the making of blankets. The blanket is over six feet long and over five feet wide and is as soft and pliable as though it were made of flannel. It is about the thickness of a good flannel blanket and can be rolled up and put in a strap without hurting or injuring it. This tree or bark blanket is merely a strip of bark cut from a section of the trunk of the blanket or demajagua tree. The Indians make a cutting around the trunk to get it, and they prepare it by soaking it in water until it is soft. It is then pounded so that the rough outside can be stripped off and the inside alone left. The inside is of fine fibers so joined together by nature that it makes a beautiful blanket, warm enough to be used as a cover and soft enough for a mattress.

A Clock Case Made of Pennies.

A novelty in clockmaking consists of a timepiece whose case is made of English pennies. The coins of which there are ninety-six, all bear the date 1797 and were beaten out to almost double their original size and then riveted together, while the figures were made of small strips of copper cemented on to the face. The clock stands fourteen inches high and is eight inches broad at the base. That "time is money" is an adage with which we all more or less agree, but this is a case in which the saying might be reversed and still remain true. The clock is owned by a resident of Laurel Bank, Ilkley, Yorkshire, England.

The Family Dog.

An Edinburgh clergyman says: "Every family should have a dog. It is like a perpetual baby. It betrays no secrets, never sulks, asks no troublesome questions, never gets into debt, never comes down late to breakfast and is always ready for a bit of fun."

To Save Time.

The Parson—I intend for praying that you may forgive Casey for throwing that brick at you. The Patient—Mebbe yer reverence 'ud be saving time if yer 'ud just wait till Oi get well and then pray for Casey.—London Fun.

Hard Luck.

Wife—What luck? Husband—None whatever. Wife—Were there no servants at the intelligence office? Husband—Yes, lots of them, but they had all worked for us before—Saturday Sunset.

What Willie Saw.

When Willie saw a peacock for the first time he said to his mother: "Oh, mamma, you should have seen it! Electric lights all over the ferns and a turkey underneath!"—Delineator.

Quite of Her Opinion.

"Oh, I did so want to have a talk with you! I'm simply mad to go on the stage," exclaimed a gushing young lady to a popular actor. "Yes, I should think you would be, my dear young lady!" remarked the great histrion.

Consistent.

"Why do you wear a ratcheting cap, dear boy? It's your brother that owns the yacht." "Very true, old chap. This is me brother's cap."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Beauty is part of the finished language which goodness speaks.—Elliot.

As a Caution.

Weeks—The true American always sees the under dog in the fight. Wise men, and then gives him a swift kick being chump enough to get into it. Boston Transcript.

Guilty of Counterfeiting.

Using counterfeit money is no worse than debauching some unknown worthling for Foley's Honey and Tar. Remedied cough and cold remedy that the most obstinate coughs and the lungs. W. E. Brown & Co.

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What Being Burned Out May Mean to a Business.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, State of South Carolina, County of Clarendon. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. Mary J. Murray, in her own right, and as Administratrix of the Estate of Marshall D. Murray, deceased, Mary Elizabeth Connor, Martha Washington, Roseger and William W. Murray, Plaintiffs against Julia S. Brailford and Warren Conyers, Defendants. UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF A Judgment Order of the Court of Common Pleas, in the above stated action, to me directed, bearing date of December 8, 1908, and made at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, at Clarendon Court House, at Manning, in said county, within the legal hours for judicial sales, on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1909, the following described real estate:

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, State of South Carolina, County of Clarendon. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. Margaret E. Curtis in her own right and as Administratrix of the Estate of Horace B. Curtis, deceased, and Charles S. Curtis, Plaintiffs against Horace B. Curtis, an infant under fourteen years of age, Defendant. UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF A Judgment Order of the Court of Common Pleas, in the above stated action, to me directed, bearing date of November 7, 1908, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, at Clarendon Court House, at Manning, in said county, within the legal hours for judicial sales, on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1909, being salesday, the following described real estate:

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, State of South Carolina, County of Clarendon. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. David Levi and Abe Levi, Executors and Trustees of the Last Will and Testament of Moses Levi, deceased, Plaintiffs against Edward P. Briggs and John Wulber, Ashley C. Tobias, J. H. C. Wulber, Edward N. Wulber, each in his own right, and J. H. C. Wulber, A. Wulber, M. Wulber, E. Wulber and Clara Wulber, as Executors and Executrices of the Estate of C. Wulber, deceased, all being copartners doing business under the firm name and style of C. Wulber & Company and Marion Moise, Defendants. UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF A Judgment Order of the Court of Common Pleas, in the above stated action, to me directed, bearing date of October 2nd, 1908, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, at Clarendon Court House, at Manning, in said county, within the legal hours for judicial sales, on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1909, being salesday, the following described real estate:

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