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Punish Less and Reform More.

Too long the criminal has been a subject of public indifference. So that he is caught and punished, the majority of people care little what becomes of him after, nor do they often question whether or not his punishment is proportioned to his offense. But slowly the public attitude on this matter is changing. The work of the reformatories in curing criminals when mere punishment had only made them bitter, and the reluctance of juries to find just verdicts, lest the men on trial receive unjust sentences, have shown society to be wrong in its theories. Men who sin in ignorance are better lifted from their sins than forced to expiate them, when it is partly the fault of society that they are ignored and sinful. A most significant change in the treatment of the criminal has been made in recent years by the introduction of the indeterminate sentence system in several of the states. This puts it into the power of men who may have been harshly judged in the first place, and whose mere conviction was penalty enough, to earn their freedom.

The hope of liberty is in itself a stimulus to effort in the reformatory school and training classes, and the man reformed of the law goes back into the world stronger than when he left it.

In addition to the parole, or indeterminate sentence, a few of the States (Massachusetts, notably) have adopted a probation system which goes into operation before sentence. Certain men and women attend trials in the lower courts and act as intercessors in cases that promise reform. The probation officer is the opposite of the prosecuting attorney, in that the latter brings up everything bad against the prisoner, while the probation officer finds all that is good. It is no longer necessary to confine a man even if he is guilty; he can be placed on parole instead. These probation officers can, with a paroled man's consent, collect his wages and give them to his family. He then has no power to buy drink or squander his means, and if he misbehaves in anywise his liberty is forfeit and he can be sent to prison.

That the warning of an initial arrest suffices in a majority of cases is proved by the records, for few of the paroled ever imperil their liberty again, and something like 4000 persons are conditionally released in the State of Massachusetts every year. It will not be alleged in consequence of these mercies that Massachusetts make a bad showing in respect to criminal records.

People who misunderstand the nature of these reforms cry out that the prisons are made too comfortable; that sin is encouraged by cleanliness, air, light, sufficient food, and the use of books and papers; that prisons ought to be made places of terror, so that the hesitating might be frightened from them. If mere punishment is the aim, then it were wiser to return to old methods and to whip and rack the offenders, put them into stocks and pillories, crop their ears, take away their property, divorce them from their families, deny their civil rights, even take their lives. But did those punishments prevent crime, or save society? No. The severer the laws the worse the behavior. When stealing was a capital offense thieves abounded in every city, they were in every street, they picked pockets in the church; property was not safe either in the home or on the person; highwaymen infested every road.

As laws modify and the sacredness of life is better appreciated, the causes of offense diminish. And deprivation of liberty is punishment enough.

A prison should not be an inferno, but a purgatory. The criminal is almost invariably weak of will and mind and body; he does not understand himself or his relation to society; his ideals are wrong, his passions have never known check. In this state of barbarism he is dangerous, and society in its own defense sends him into the exile of a prison. If it does no more, he returns, at the end of his sentence, worse than he went in. When it opens his cell door it must open the way to a new life. The prison must be a school, a shop, a church, rather than a place of penitence, for, till the mind and conscience are awakened, there will be no penitence; only anger and nursing of revenge. Mere punishment consigns its victims to darkness and hopelessness, but the probation officer and the reformatory bring him to the light.—CHARLES M. SKINNER, in the Saturday evening Post.

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A surgical operation performed under necessity by an amateur in the Maine woods was quite as remarkable as the operations of city specialists, who are provided with almost perfect implements and elaborate conveniences. The accident was a dislocated shoulder, and the extempore surgeon's outfit was of a kind hitherto unused in professional practice. It is described by a writer in the Lewiston "Journal."

Old Sabattus was not an Indian, as the nickname implies, but a Yankee guide. One autumn he was left on a steamboat at one of the upper landings on Moosehead Lake while the engineer went ashore with some guests.

A man named Meservey came aboard, and in fooling around the boat managed to fall into the fire-pit and put his shoulder out of joint. Here was a dilemma. The other members of the party would not be back for half an hour, and the injured man was in great pain.

The guide was a man of expedients. He got a rope and tied his patient securely to a post. Then he tied another rope around the man's wrist and fastened the loose end of it to a pulley of the engine. He managed somehow to turn on steam, and the pulley began to wind up the rope.

It drew the arm out tight in beautiful shape, and presently the joint snapped back into its socket. Then Sabattus jumped around to shut off steam, while the pulley kept on winding.

"How does it go? I don't know where it is!" gasped the guide, excitedly. "I can't stop the blamed thing." And the pulley meanwhile was slowly but surely pulling the patient to pieces. His eyes were sticking out of their sockets, and he screamed and gasped for breath.

Sabattus danced around like a wild man, not knowing what to do, when he happen to spy a hatchet lying near, and, jumping for that, he cut the rope.

Some years after a lot of summer company arrived at Greenville. Sabattus was there, too, and presently a distinguished-looking man, one of the newcomers, went up to him and said, with a meaning smile, "Aren't you the man who practices surgery by steam?" Sabattus admitted that he was "that same feller."

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"How do you mean?" was asked. "Did you ever hear of Judge Booker of my town?"

"Never." "He's a justice of the peace, you know." "That may be possible."

"He's worth \$15,000 if he's worth a cent. He's the man who says whether we shall celebrate the Fourth of July or not, and he runs the schools and the police and firemen. You don't mean to say you never heard of him?"

"Never in my life." "Well, well! They didn't say anything to him about beginning the war, but after it had been going on for a few months he wanted to be a general. They told him they had all the generals they wanted, and he bowed and said:

"Gentlemen, I'll either be a general or stop the war." He waited three days, and as they didn't make him a general, he put his foot down and stopped the war. So you never heard of Judge Booker?"

"Never." "And you didn't know that even funeral processions turned out for him?"

"I did not." "Well, well! I used to be just like you. I used to run all to Nero and Napoleon, as you probably do, but after seeing Judge Booker just once and hearing him call his dog, I found that Nero and Napoleon were knocked into cocked hats and old Alexander the Great could have rested in the shadow of his coat-tails."

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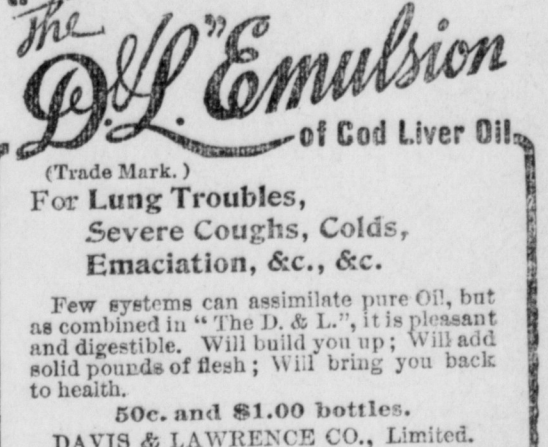
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