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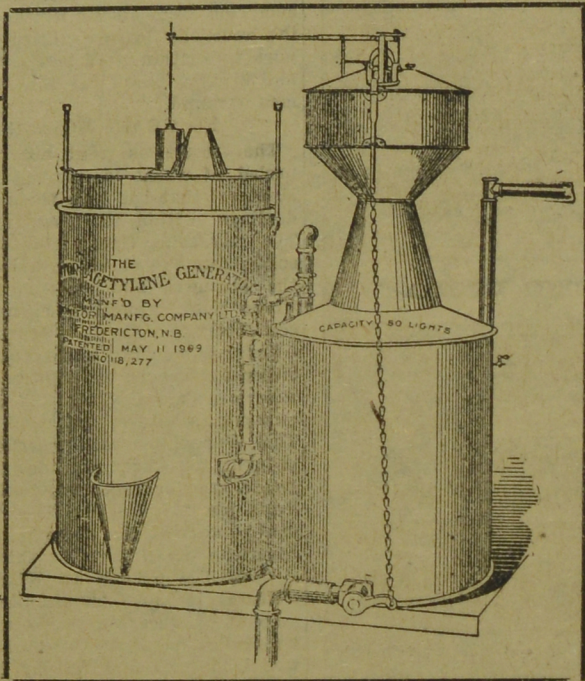
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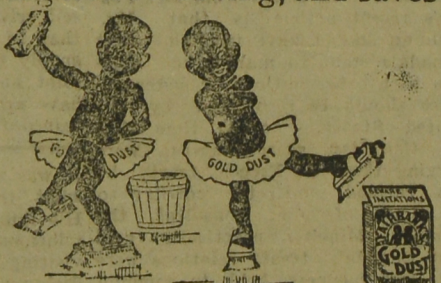
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## FORMS OF OATHS IN DIFFERENT LANDS

The ceremony of taking the oath has been known since earliest history. According to the "Green Bag," the only changes in form which have come in thousands of years have been due to the introduction of the Bible and the cross by Christian nations. As administered in most of the English law courts the form of the oath is practically the same as that in the United States, though rather more ceremonious. In France it is perhaps the simplest. A crucifix above the judge's seat is supposed to obviate the necessity of the witness handling either the cross or the Bible.

"You swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth?" asks the judge. And the witness, raising his right hand, answers: "I swear it."

In Austria a Christian witness is sworn before a crucifix placed between two lighted candles. Holding up his right hand the witness says: "I swear by God Almighty and All Wise, that I will speak the pure and full truth in answer to anything I may be asked by the Court."

If the witness is of the Jewish race he uses the same words, but places his hand on a Bible opened at the page on which appears the Third Commandment and the crucifix is removed.

In a Belgian court the witness says "I will speak the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help me God and all the saints. No Bible is required in the administering of this oath."

The Italian witness generally takes the oath in a dramatic manner. Resting his hand on an open Bible he exclaims: "I will swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth!"

More ceremony attends the administering of an oath in a Spanish court. The witness kneels on his right knee and places his right hand on the sacred book. The judge then asks: "Will you swear to God and by those holy gospels to speak the truth to all you may be asked?" The witness replies: "Yes; I swear," to which the judge rejoins: "Then if thus you do God will reward you and if not will require of you."

In a few districts this form is varied by the witness placing the middle of his thumb on the middle of his forefinger, kissing his thumb and declaring "By this cross I swear."

It is to be hoped that the Norwegian witness is properly impressed with his obligation to speak the truth or considerable energy is wasted. He is required to raise his thumb, forefinger and middle finger, these signifying the Trinity. Before the oath is actually taken a long exhortation is delivered, running in part:

"Whatever person is so ungodly, corrupt or hostile to himself as to swear a false oath or not to keep the oath sworn sins in such a manner as if he were to say: 'If I swear falsely, then may God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost punish me, so that God the Father who created me and all mankind in His image, and His Fatherly goodness, grace and mercy, may not profit me, but that I as a perverse and obstinate transgressor and sinner may be punished eternally in hell. If I swear falsely, then may all I have and own in this world be cursed; cursed be my land, field and meadow, so that I may never enjoy any fruit from them; cursed be my cattle, my beasts, my sheep, so that after this day they may never thrive or benefit me; you, cursed may I be and everything I possess.'"

And sometimes all that—and all the rest of it—in the matter of a suit brought to collect for a pair of boots, perhaps.

## THE ADVANCE OF THE WIRELESS

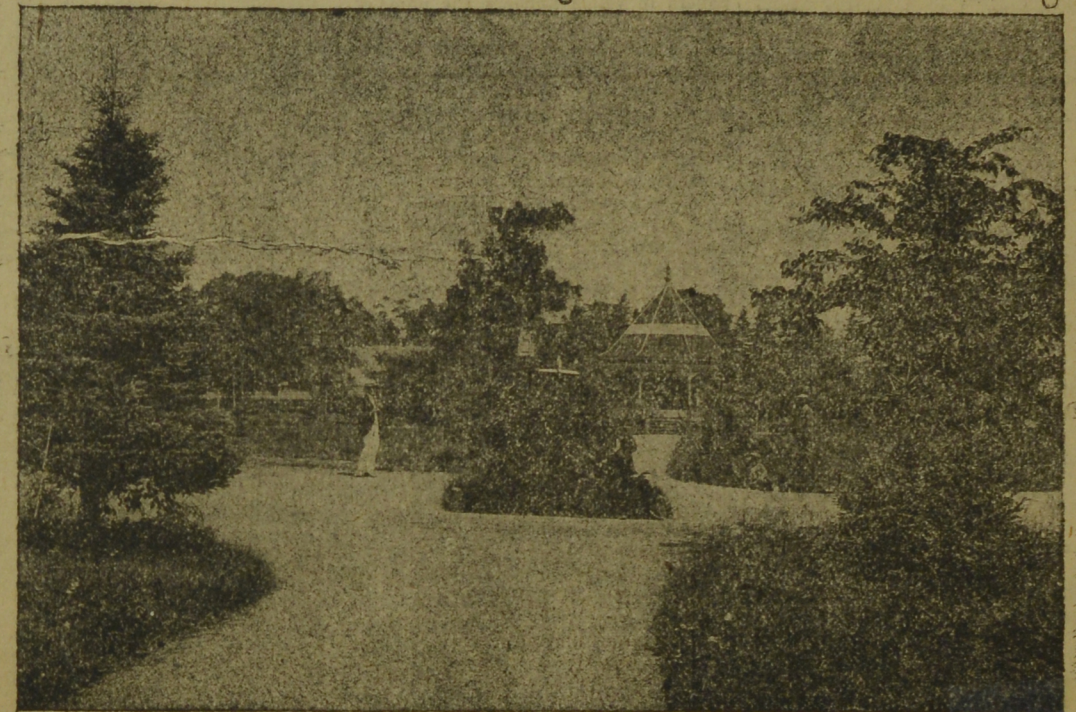
The announcement last week that the Marconi Company would start on the Saturday a Transatlantic wireless message service between the company's high power stations at Clifden, in Ireland, and Glace Bay, in Canada, marks an advance of profound significance. Wireless telegraphy, like practically every other great invention, has had its difficulties and its disappointments. The men who expected that everything would be done at once, and that transmissions, which had proved possible for short experiments could be at once undertaken in wholesale fashion on ordinary commercial lines, found that their dreams were not immediately realized. Now even the first hopes of the most extravagant have been more than exceeded, and men are slowly beginning to understand the profound changes the coming of the wireless telegraph involves. The fact that it enormously cheapens the transmissions of messages is in itself the least of the changes, although by no means a small one. The Marconi Company is prepared to send agrams to Canada for 7d. a word, as against 1s., the ordinary cable charge. A cheap service, whether by cable or air, is bound to prove a great bond for the strengthening of Empire, for cheap transmission means greater intercommunication and the consequent establishment of closer relations between all parts of the Empire.

## BEAUTY SPOTS IN AND ABOUT FREDERICTON



VIEW ON THE NASHWAAKSIS.

A Popular Resort for Canoeing and Picnic Parties During the Summer Months.



VIEW IN WILMOT PARK.

One of Fredericton Beauty Spots, much frequented by old and young during the summer month. The Park was open to the public several weeks ago and is already putting on its summer garb. The roads and walks

are in good condition for driving and promenading. The action of the City Council in arranging for several Sunday afternoon concerts in the Park during the summer months seems to meet with general approval. This

beautiful Park was donated to the city in 1894 by the late Mr. E. H. Wilmot. Some months ago a lot of land on the corner of Odell Avenue and Government Lane was acquired by the city and merged into the park.

## TAXES AND LAND IN ENGLAND

(From "Wealth and Want" by W. B. Northrop.)

While the industrious middle classes pay upward of £55,100,000 in "direct taxation" £31,000,000 of which is a vexatious "income tax" on industry, and also help to contribute to an "indirect tax" of £64,700,000—making £119,800,000—the ground lords of the country only pay £750,000. While the workers pay the vast sum of £119,800,000 the ground lords pay less than a single million, because they are assessed in accordance with a valuation passed in the year 1892. Though their property has increased more than 2,000 per cent., in value they are paying on a valuation passed more than 200 years ago. The ground lords extract upward of £200,000,000 per annum for permitting the people to live and work on "their" (?) land, both city and country and yet the middle-class workers, in income tax alone, contribute to the government of the country forty-one times more than the ground lords. On the other hand the people in customs and excise duties alone contribute £64,700,000, which is eighty-seven times more than the ground lords.

The entire land of the country is literally in the control of a handful of people. Taking England and Wales and leaving Ireland out for the present, the total area is 34,524,974 acres, of which total 13,546,949 acres or more than one half are in the hands of 4,217 people or less than one-thousandth of the population. Of the controllers of this vast area 400 peers and peeresses "own" 5,729,079 acres, while 1,288 great landlords "own" 8,497,699 acres, or 1,688 persons "own" 14,227,678 acres.

The public seems so little aware of these vast holdings that the figures should be presented in various aspects in order to bring them home. Here is a little table that might assist toward this object:

One-fourth of the total acreage of the country is "owned" by..... 1,200 persons  
Another fourth by..... 6,200 persons  
Remaining half by..... 312,150 persons

Entire country "owned" literally by..... 319,550 persons  
This means that out of a population of 44,000,000 practically 43,680,450, have no land, no "stake" in the country. Eight one-thousandth of the population "own" the whole country. Six hundred peers alone "own" near-

## BOARD OF REVIEW HANDS OUT DECISIONS

New York, N. Y., May 11—The board of review of the national trotting association today revoked the fines of \$250 imposed on Thomas W. Murphy and Thomas Nolan, at the Lexington meeting last fall when it was charged that they did not drive to win in the 3 year old trotting division of the Kentucky futurity.

Charlie Cassidy and George W. London, of Altoona, Pa., who were expelled from the association in 1908 for the alleged changing of the time of a horse in a race where they were timers, were reinstated by the board as was Leon Dygert, of Springfield, N.Y., who was expelled at Friem, Pa., in July, 1908, for entering the mare Game Maid in his name when he was not present. The mare remains under the ban. Others reinstated are:

E. Lefevre, of Montreal, who was expelled for ten years in 1900 and E. A. Westcott of Rochester, N.Y., expelled in 1908. Westcott showed he knew nothing about the horse Eraser 2.28½ which he started as Price of Rochester, no record.

Lefevre, it was charged, dyed his bay horse Prince chestnut and entered him as F.M.B., at Worcester Mass. The temporary reinstatement of Edward Poulois of Montreal, who was expelled in 1907 was continued and Bert C. Wells of New Vineyard, Me. was temporarily reinstated.

Old collars and cuffs that have become worn on the edges from wear and laundering can be used again by sandpapering the edges of same with a fine piece of sandpaper.

ly one-fourth of the entire area. Twelve landlords alone hold 4,500,000 acres among them.

The laboring classes in England own no land whatever, whereas in even so small a country as Belgium there are more than 1,000,000 small land-owners. In France there are 5,000,000 small landowners each with 7½ acres, and in addition there are 500,000 small proprietors each with 75 acres. In Prussia 800,000 of the laboring classes hold land and have a "stake in the country."

In England the laboring classes and the middle classes or the vast majority of them, are absolutely "disinherited." Not a foot of soil have they got, except perhaps a square yard or so in some cemetery, even for which a goodly price has to be paid.

## WOOLING OF A SQUAW

If an Indian wants a wife, he appears before the vernal of the gentleman whom he has selected as his father-in-law, attended by a party of male friends of a very strong flavor who screech and whistle and stamp an offer of so many cows for the lady's hand. The chosen father-in-law, also supported by a high-flavored party of male friends, screeches, whistles, and yells (being seated on the ground, he can't stamp) that there never was such a daughter on the market as his daughter, and that he must have six more cows. The son-in-law and his select circle of backers screech, whistle, stamp, and yell in reply, that they will give three more cows. The father-in-law (an old deluder overpaid at the beginnings) accepts four and rises to bind the bargain.

The whole party, the young lady included, then fall into epileptic convulsions, screeching, whistling, and stamping and yelling together. The noble savage is considered married, and his friends make demoniacal leaps at him, by way of congratulation.

Rapid growth of the finger nails is considered to indicate good health.

The quickest eradicator is a piece of pumice stone kept on the washstand. Wet before using and rub steadily, but not vigorously, or the skin may suffer.

Even in winter do not close your window at night. Two inches at the top will keep the air pure. Open it the last thing before you get into bed on cold nights.

## THE STENOGRAPHER'S EXCUSE

A girl stenographer was discharged today for being two hours late, her employer refusing to accept the very good excuse she gave. "I was up at the usual hour," she said, "and while breakfasting and on my way downtown I was bothered with the tantalizing thought that I had forgotten something. I had reached this office door fifteen minutes ahead of the usual time when I remembered. I had forgotten to read the Thought for the Day in my Uplift Calendar. So I ran all the way home and read this Helpful motto: 'Let the True Inwardness of love penetrate to your subconscious self and all will be well. Then I started on a run back to the office, invigorated and refreshed by what I had read; got there late and lost my job. I claim this life isn't up to the plans and specifications laid down in the story-books.'"