

BOY TORTURED IN HYPNOTIC TRANCE

While Under the Spell, Incredible Witnesses Put Pepper in His Eyes

AGONY FOR HALF AN HOUR

Fery Product Put on Young Man's Face to Test the Genuineness of the Hypnotist's Power — Pepper Ate Way into the Tissue.

St. Louis, Mo.—While George Schneider, twenty years old, of Collinsville, Ill., lay under the hypnotic spell of Prof. G. L. Norwood, in a store window at Collinsville absolutely unable to help himself, some incredulous witness to the exhibition poured essence of pepper into his eyes, nose and mouth. The youth suffered torment for half an hour, not being able to arouse himself until a passing physician noted his suffering and had him brought to consciousness.

When brought out of the trance by Norwood at the direction of Dr. J. A. Spiegel, manager of the Opera House in Collinsville, Schneider fought for half an hour with four men before being subdued, such was his torture with the pepper burns in his nostrils and eyes.

The fiery product, put on the young man's face by somebody desirous of testing the genuineness of the hypnotic trance, had eaten its way into the tissue, and when Schneider revived he thought he was burning up. Half a day's work on the part of the doctor was required to restore him.

Norwood has been showing at the Collinsville Opera House as a hypnotist and mind reader. Before going to Collinsville he was in St. Charles, Mo., where his exhibitions were conducted with his wife as the subject for the trances. Recently Mrs. Norwood became ill after one of the exhibitions, and was brought to St. Louis for treatment at a hospital.

Young Schneider was then chosen. Norwood announced he would keep the lad in a trance over night, just to demonstrate his power, and that Schneider would be on view in the window of the Kluge hardware store. Doctor Spiegel passed by the window to see how things were progressing, and noticed in one glance at the unconscious lad that something was wrong. Norwood was called and caught the lad out of the trance. This horrible crime was probably committed in thoughtlessness and from sheer love of mischief, nevertheless the person who was guilty of it should be found out and severely punished. People who perpetrate practical jokes without regard to the consequences to their victims should either be sent to the insane asylum or punished as criminals. A joke is a joke, but there is no joke in cruelty.

SURRENDERED 151 SKULLS.

Wild Formosan Tribes Giving Way Before Steady Japanese Advance.

Victoria, B. C.—News of the progress of the fighting and killing of natives in Formosa by Japanese troops has been received here by arriving steamships. A despatch from the Formosan capital to the Asahi of Tokyo says that forces sent to suppress the revolt at Kwarenko, reinforced by 800 of the subdued aborigines, attacked the headquarters of the rebellious tribe and burned their houses, capturing the supplies of rice and millet and also thirty fresh human heads.

The reinforcements sent from the capital arrived the next day and it was decided to attempt the final suppression of the revolting tribe. A telegram received at Tokio from the Governor-General of Formosa says:

Eight groups of the aborigines in the Giran district have been blockaded for many years and have at length had their supplies of salt cut off. Pressed by the advance of the attacking line since April last, the difficulties of the tribe were aggravated and on several occasions they offered to surrender. The authorities doubting their sincerity ordered them to turn in the human heads taken as trophies as a token of their willingness to surrender.

Finally 600 of the aborigines, including their chief, came down the hill to the guard station and surrendered twenty rifles and 151 human skulls as ordered.

BROTHERS UNACQUAINTED.

Long Separation Necessitates an Introduction.

Ishpeming, Mich.—Daniel and John Ole, of Ishpeming, are entertaining their brother Ole Ole, of Eau Claire. It is thirty-five years since the brothers had seen each other and the two Ishpeming men did not know Ole when he walked in on them. Ole has been located in Eau Claire ever since he left Ishpeming, and this is his first visit here since his departure.

Deer Carried Off His Hay.

Winsted, Conn.—Visiting a barn in which he had stored several tons of hay, situated a short distance from the rest of his farm buildings, Joshua Hall, of North Colebrook, found the door badly smashed and fully a ton of hay gone. He soon discovered it was the work of an antler, which had been broken by the animal when he smashed the door with his head.

CHICAGO WOMEN GAMBLE

Law and Order League Scouts Find Them Playing Cards in Groups of 100.

Chicago.—"Oh, we're pinched! They are copper!" This shout from an excited woman started a hurried exodus from Douglas Pavilion Hall, Cottage Grove avenue and Thirty-fifth street, as Detectives Frank Hulse and F. N. Hanchett, of the Chicago Law and Order League, broke in upon more than one hundred women preparing to sit down to card games.

About half the crowd had departed when Hulse said to Mrs. Richard E. Finn, who was in charge: "We don't claim to be policemen; we are connected with the Law and Order League."

"Well, what are you doing here?" demanded Mrs. Finn, and Hulse replied: "We are here to see that the law is not violated."

"Oh, please go away and let us play again!" and similar pleas were made by a score of women who formed a semi-circle around the two detectives. We don't play poker; just euchre and bridge whist for china."

But Hulse was obdurate. Finally, the women got their heads together and decided to play anyhow. And they did.

The detectives were given a lot of fibes. "You fellows would soon go out and lose yourselves if we handed over five spots," all of which they took good-naturedly. At No. 5441 Westworth avenue they entered a hall where fifty women were playing whist.

"Don't stop the games!" urged a tall, burly-haired woman. "We have just as much right to play cards as the men."

"And I heard that the stock yards police said they couldn't touch us for just playing for prizes!" cried another. They quit.

"This gambling among women of all classes here," said Arthur Burrage Farwell, of the league, "has taken such a strong hold upon them that they neglect their homes and families. Some of them play both afternoon and evening, and we shall be compelled to arrest some of them before they will stop."

CATHOLIC STATISTICS.

Directory Gives Catholic Population of the United States as 14,235,451.

Wilwaukee, Wis.—There are 14,235,451 Roman Catholics in the United States, according to advance sheets of the 1908 "Wiltzian Catholic Directory." The directory figures include adults and children.

According to the directory there are 16,993 Catholic priests and 12,923 Catholic churches in the United States. There are eighty ecclesiastical seminaries, with 5,687 students. There are 213 universities and colleges for boys and 708 academies for girls. The directory shows 4,703 parochial schools, with the number of children in attendance rated as 1,197,918, and 290 Catholic orphan asylums in which 41,966 orphans are cared for. Including children in parochial schools, orphans in the orphan asylums and the young persons in the institutions for higher education there are 1,397,348 children being educated in Catholic institutions.

The Catholic hierarchy of the country at present consists of the Apostolic Delegation, one Cardinal, thirteen Archbishops, ninety Bishops, two Archabbots, sixteen Abbots and one Prefect Apostolic. The Catholic population of the twenty leading dioceses, according to the latest statistics, is as follows:

New York, 1,219,920; Chicago, 1,179,000; Boston, 850,000; Brooklyn, 700,000; New Orleans, 525,000; Philadelphia, 525,000; Pittsburg, 425,000; St. Louis, 375,000; Hartford, 365,000; Newark, 365,000; Cleveland, 330,000; Springfield, 321,211; Detroit, 267,000; Saratoga, 265,000; St. Paul, 260,000; Baltimore, 255,000; San Francisco, 250,000; Buffalo, 244,739; Milwaukee, 245,000; Providence, 222,000.

KILLED A GIANT BEAR.

Arkansas Hunters Bag a Beast That Weighs 650 Pounds.

Little Rock, Ark.—A bear weighing 650 pounds was killed by a party of hunters from Little Rock on the north bank of White River in Desha county recently.

The bear measured 32 inches around the neck and 7 feet 9 inches from tip to tip.

The bear was killed by Ed. Warrington. The animal whipped eleven dogs in fifteen minutes and tore one of the hounds to pieces.

END OF A LONG EXILE.

General Who Helped to Defeat Maximilian Returns to Mexico.

Mexico City, Mexico.—Gen. Rafael Benavides, who was in command of the Mexican forces which recaptured the port and city of Vera Cruz from Maximilian in 1867 after a siege of 110 days, arrived here from the United States. He had been there ever since his victory at Vera Cruz, forty-one years ago. He had not visited Mexico during that period.

Yacuis Taken Into Mexican Army.

Mexico City, Mexico.—Gen. Torres, Governor of Sonora, telegraphs that Chief Bulo, of the Yaqui Indians, with several hundred of his followers, have surrendered, and that in consideration of that surrender Chief Bulo has been made an officer in the Mexican army and provided with a body guard of sixty-five of his former followers, equipped and maintained at the government expense.

Of Interest to Women

Clara Morris' Views On "Woman Speaking in Public"—The Thinking Woman With a Sincere Message Should Be Heard—The Audience of To-Day Influenced by Her Dress.

It is hard to believe that at this late day there are those who, being sorely perturbed in mind, ask unavailingly, "Should woman speak in public?"—and straightway the old wolf cries of "boldness—vanity—woman unsexed!" rise upon the air. Ah, la-la-la!

Some of woman's rights came to her after long waiting; some she worked hard for, and some she asked for prettily; but the right of free and unlimited speech was seized for her away back in Eden, when Eve filled with light, chattering perisflage the long silences left by Adam's heavy, slow moving tongue; and since she practices free speech by right of precedent—so why not let her speak in public?

Of course the public is human and should not be caused needless suffering, so that a woman with nothing to say should really not be permitted to climb upon a platform and say it at agonizing length. But when the thinking woman sincerely believes she has a message to deliver, or a promising plan to offer for the betterment of those who are in sore need of help—then "in God's name" let her speak as publicly as she pleases! "Bold—vain—unsexed!" Oh, la-la-la! What nonsense! The woman who becomes a good public speaker learns to think more clearly, reason more closely; ceases to converse almost wholly in adjectives; conquers the inclination to describe her hat as "perfectly grand," a broken side-comb as "perfectly awful," a headache as "terrific," and Niagara as "just too sweet for words!" So you see a woman can benefit herself by public speaking.

It is surprising how the public's judgment as to the propriety or impropriety of the woman, who dares, is influenced by the suitability of her toilet, and her personal attractiveness while daring. The most eloquent woman on earth would be utterly flouted, jeered and condemned if she presented herself on the platform in bloomer or some other reform garment, such as "common sense shoes"—weight all from the shoulders; health-waist, without bones, etc., etc. No, no! Woman must first please the eye, then the public will lend her their ears, and probably end up with giving their hearts. Have you seen her? Have you sat in front and waited the coming of some woman, who is to speak against a cruel wrong, or plead for the passing of some new law; and no one cared very much, and every one was indifferent and cool? And then she comes rather hurriedly into view; charmingly gowned, a big, plummy hat, making a soft, shadowy frame for burnished hair, and a flushing and palling face, a touch of rose ointment on her lips—because excitement dries and pales and cracks them. A little ripple of applause greets this satisfactory first view. She lays some notes on the desk or table; her hand trembles, she shifts uneasily from one foot to the other. Then the hand suddenly goes up to the nape of her neck and nervously feels for any escaping scolding-lock. Then she smiles, a shamed, deprecating little smile, and every heart thumps understandingly; every face smiles back, hands clap cheerily, and every one is ready and willing now to listen earnestly. And if, by and by, should feeling get the upper hand of calm argument, and a mist come into her eyes, and a little tremble to her lips, so that white teeth bite down hard on it for a moment—why it only wins sympathy for her cause, and people will say, "How much it means to her!" "I—must look into this thing—she may be right!" and there you are!

Is she unsexed by an hour's earnest talk to a listening crowd—who can't talk back? That being the only difference between public speaking and private argument. La-la! The question is not, "Should woman speak in public?"—but, how the dickens are you going to stop her? And who wants to, so long as she looks well a-doing it?

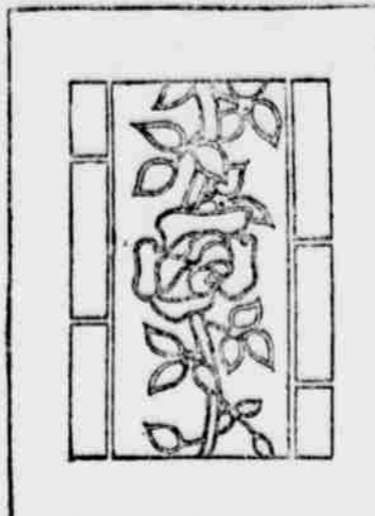
The American Husband.

The American masculine claim of absorption in his work does not in the least justify such a condition. Frenchmen support their wives and still find time to go shopping with them too! Englishmen do likewise, and find energy left to place their sons in school, energy to watch keenly the love-affairs of their daughters, unhesitatingly bidding this or that man to be gone; moral courage and physical vitality left after the day's work to be in fact, as well as in fancy, "the head of the house." They have the wisdom to leave hours for play, for pure boyishness of living. And all this may be observed in the same middle class that with us turns the whole issue over to the wife, expecting of her all wisdom, though knowing her sheltered youth; and all vitality, to run unceasingly and unaided the whole machinery of the family. No wonder our women have "nerves"! No wonder they are becoming more and more restless (one of the first evidences of strain), more and more discontented as time passes. Masculine kindness to our women is sometimes so tangled up with selfishness that there need be no surprise that there is some confusion regarding them.

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Quick and Inexpensive.

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JUROR WITH WHISKERS.

Why He is not Favored by Lawyers for Defence in Criminal Cases.

Is a juror with whiskers apt to be old fashioned in his ideas in a criminal case and "soak" the defendant upon the principles embodied in the ancient Mosaic law? Or does the fancy of the old Greeks that a man with whiskers naturally was endowed with bravery still exist, and are bearded jurors feared as pitiless?

The remarks of Judge Willard M. McEwen before the State's attorneys' convention in Chicago to the effect that lawyers for the defence in criminal cases do not trust whiskered jurors' decisions called forth these suggestions by State Attorney John E. W. Wayman and Attorney Charles E. Erbstein.

"It is true that a feeling exists among lawyers to the effect that a man with whiskers is an undesirable juror," said Mr. Wayman. "I confess I don't know the specific reason for it, and in fact must admit that the best case I ever won was a case where the foreman of the jury had whiskers all over his face. So did the man who hung the jury for the defence in the first Cronin trial. The ancient Greeks believed that a man with whiskers was endowed with bravery, and perhaps the present superstition is traceable to the ancient belief."

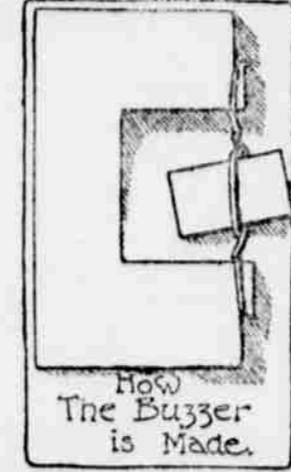
"All men wore whiskers in the old Bible countries in the days when judgments were unrelenting," said Attorney Erbstein. "A strict adherent to the ancient laws of Moses might be unyielding and be stern. It is on the principle that a Jew with whiskers is likely to be orthodox. I don't want men with whiskers on juries that try cases for me."

The jury experts went far in the way of sweeping aside the impression that benevolence goes with "old gentlemen with whiskers."

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