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In sentencing Fred. A. Van Valkenberg to pay the costs in the Reeder case at Easton, Judge Scott openly inbrought the action against General ville. If that be true, Van Valkenberg escapes easily.

Canada and the United States. At a time when the premier of Canada has been receiving conspicuous of- direct concern. ficial attentions at the capital of our republic and there is renewed impulse. toward the cultivation of more cordial ought therefore to be well qualified to and to allay the disposition of the pop-

conigrated to the United States; and tice. cited as reasons why the relations between Canadiars and Americans ought the Pittsburg Times sent a staff reprenot to be strained. But frictions growing out of tarin' regulations have irritated ginla town where the trial was held to the Canadians and engendered prejuby the artiflees and exigencies of Canadian politics. In consequence, the mentiment for annexation, if it ever

since died out. Professor Newman says: "The comparative stability of Canaselves on the possession of an independent and incorruptible judiciary, and they have received a very distinct impression that in this respect the United States is far less happy. Looseners. of legislation and of Judicature in the matter of divorce is frequently commented upon very unfavorably here. These are only specimens of the points in which Canadians felicitate themsolves when they compare their situation with that of Americans."

Of course, this Canadian writer knows that the spirit of the Pharisee is vain; that the United States, too, has its superior points; notably in enterprise and push-characteristics which, while opening the door to large faults, such as he has noted, also make possible correspondingly large progress. which in Canada is lacking. We gather from Professor Newman's article that public expense a day longer than is necwhile the Canadians would like to enjoy freer trade relations with us than they possess at present they are well satisfied with their existing political status and have no wish to make a change. That being true will not cause Americans to repine. The continent is plenty big enough for both governments provided they will come together in sensible negotiation and allay the petty causes of friction that now disturb the relations between them.

A Pittsburg genius claims to perceive that Robert E. Pattison wants to be

Cloture is Imperative.

The Washington Star, while recognizing the propriety of the public sentiment adverse to sheer obstruction in the senate, contends for a special reason that this is not an opportune time to agitate for cloture. This special reason is the oncoming of the currency reform issue, which will, it thinks, need

free and full debate. Cloture, however, such as sane senators would order, would never without the senate's own wish operate to abridge genuine debate. The suggestion that the senate should adopt a rule empowering a majority of the senators at any time within their discretion to fix a future time when debate on a given measure must cease involves no arbitrary curtailment of traditional parliamentary rights, but merely recognizes, in accordance with obvious justice and common sense, the vitally republican principle of majority rule.

A 'point which escapes many students of this problem is that conditions in the senate have undergone material change since unlimited debate was the senate's proudest boast. The membership has increased from 26 to 90 and the volume of business has multiplied abounding public issues to permit each | the place he now has? of 90 senators to talk on, week after week and month after month, without let or hindrance save the bounds of his own pertinacity, regardless of the in- ary discussion of the civil service probterests and wishes of the other 89, is lem is that while the champions of the not freedom of debate but an intoler- present deformed law all aver that it able tyranny of loquacity. It is a is utterly impregnable against any con-

the senate's relief public opinion, as more radical and dublous changes in the structure of congress' upper cham-

in error in saying that Dr. Shields is timated that Van Valkenberg had sure by authoritative tribunals of the Presbyterian church, inasmuch as Reeder and his co-defendants insin- Princeton Theological seminary is cerely with a view to forcing a let-up | under the direct jurisdiction of that in the case against his brother at Potts- | church. But Dr. Shields is a professer in Princeton university, a non-sectarian institution; therefore it was felt by him and by his advisers that the propriety of his act was not a matter in which the church courts had any

Common Sense from the Bench.

On a recent Wednesday in a remote relations between the two Angio-Saxon West Virginia mountain region an aged nations which reside side by side on woman and two children, a son and a the North American continent, interest daughter, were most brutally murdered attaches to an article in The Common- by a man who had been reared in the wealth or last week, from the pen of household as an adopted son. The crime Professor Albert Henry Newman, of was committed in the morning; it was McMaster university, Toronto, entitled discovered at noon; the murderer was "Sentiment of Canadians Toward the captured by a sheriff's posse in the af-United States." Professor Newman is ternoon and that night was put for American bern, but has for sixteen safe keeping in the county Jail. Court years been a resident of Canada and chanced to be in session at the time. ulace to resort to lynch law the judge Among the best classes in the popul of the district, Hon. Reese Blizzard, lation of each country there is, he as- gave assurance that the murderer, who serts, a feeting of condulity for the in the meantime had confessed, should other which is shown in the warm have a speedy trial. The case went bewelcome accorded by each to repre- fore the grand fury Thursday morning: contatives of the other who cross the an indictment was returned immediateborder line as delegates to interna- by and by Saturday the murderer had tional conventions of any kind or sim- been duly arraigned, tried, convicted ply as mivate visitors. The facts that and senienced to death. Notwithstandeducated Canadians buy most of their log this apparent haste the accused books and much of their periodical lit- man received every consideration due erature from American publishers; that to him under the law and the verdict many thousand sons of Canada have represented obvious and recognized jus-

that a large interchange of commerce | The circumstances of this somewhat prevails between the two peoples are remarkable case naturally attracted widespread attention; so much so that sentative over to the little West Virinterview the judge and thus to sedices; and these have been intensified cure his ideas on the propriety of such swift dispatch of court business. Judge Elizzard is a self-made young man, 3 years old, serving his first year on the existed in considerable strength, has bench, having been elected by 742 plurality as a Republican la a district normally Democratic by 2,000, Some dian finances during the recent period things said by him in this interview of depression in the United States con- are of general interest. For example:

tributed not a little to Canadian completency. The entire immunity of Canadian form demoralizing political agitation with reference to the currency, from great labor disturbances, and from anarchistic demonstrations of every kind, has led many Canadians to be thankful that they were not as these Americans. The Canadians are these Americans. The Canadians are law-abiding people, and nothing impresses them more unfavorably than what they read from time to time of the way in which law and order are trampled upon in some parts of the great republic. Canadans pride themselves and the research of an independ. costs the state, county and clients about \$300 a day overy day count in in session in this district. Looking upon a court as a purely business body I aim to save as many of those \$100 days as I can. It takes more cierks to keep up with the work, but three or four clerks are cheaper than a couple of hundred witnessen and jurers, I run court from 8 to 12 o'clock, and from I to 5.20 or 6. I draw the line on the atterneys as well as on the others, and we do not consume time talking about nothing. I have noticed that the matterneys as well as that the mon in my district who pay the costs of courts werk long days, and waste no time while they are at work. This being the case I see no reason why those who are employed by these men at carrying on the courts should not carn their money in full days of homest attempts. money in full days of honest attempts. The legislature has been continually struggling with some method of cheapening the chormous court expenses re-turned from each session. But that is not the place to attempt retreachment. The matter is all in the hands of the cours themselves. I hold that a machine that costs \$300 a day to cut should not run at public expense a day longer than is nec-

Morgani I hope will have a wholesome ef-fect. I think delay is one of the most profific causes of lynching in the south, Perhaps the blood of the south is hotter than delay. than that of the more conservative states farther north, But, leaving that out of consideration, so many murder trials drag along with intolerable slowness that juries are worn out and they lose interest in the case. Then they less in to seek a means to get rid of their tasks as specially at possible, and any kind of a verdict is agreed to that will give them freedom at the english may be the freedom at the english the e governor again. Any school boy hereabouts could have told that, months
ago.

Cloture is Imperative.

Give them freedom at the earliest moment. Judges lack in discretion in the
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it a letter withdrawing from the Presimeaningless verbiage and obscure points. What the state wants is not an exposition of idleness under the meck name of dignity, but justice. The judge should possess firmness, and such a sense of fairness that the prisoner is given all possible just chance to escape the terrible pendity that follows conviction of murder. If time is needed by the accused to prepare his case, or to obtain witnesses, every right should be granted him. Fairness is an ettribute of the law. But there is a difference between needed time and the oclays that are common. I tolerate no nomense. If a witness is summaned to my courts and fails to come I put an attachment in the hands of the sheriff and have him bring the indifferent fellow. If public interest can be aroused

Judge Blizzard has fixed upon the sovereign remedy for lynch law and for much other lawlessness beside. All

Governor Lowndes, of Maryland, announces that he wants Senator Gorover and over. In these busy days of man's place. What is the matter with

honor to him!

Giving Its Case Away.

A curious feature of the contemporwrong upon the senate and it is a ceivable form of attack, they invariably

crime against the people. Unless rea- go into spasms if any one ventures to sonable cloture shall speedily come to call its wisdom into question. The subjoined quotation from the Rochester sure as fate, will proceed to enact far Post-Express is a specimen of many

comments on this subject: We observe that one Baker of New Hampshire, who poses as a Republican, The article reprinted in another col-umn from the New York Sun and deumn from the New York Sun and de-scribing the ado which has been raised over the Princeton Inn Ilquor license is evenings ago. The sooner Baker repeals such silliness of piterance the better it in error in saying that Dr. Shields is a professor in the Princeton Theological seminary. Had he been his course in signing a petition for the inn's license would have been properly a subject for criticism and official seminary. subject for criticism and official cen-sure by authoritative tribunals of the Presbyterian church, inasmuch as ties. The person who suppose service reform has not come ses that civil

laboring under an inexcusable mistake. One would naturally infer that if the act is so well fortified as that, it wouldn't make a particle of difference what one Baker or anybody else might say in the premises. The trouble with the Post-Express is that its claims and its fears don't begin to agree.

Admiral Jouett's assertion that foreign warships could anchor twelve miles out at sea, beyond the range of fort guns, and shell New York city at their leisure, is vigorously denied by a number of military experts, who remind the admiral that there is no spot at sea within thirty miles of Gotham's city hall where a foreign warship would be safe from the guns at some headland fortification either built or projected. Still, let us take no rash chances.

The new general master workman of the Knights of Labor, Henry A. Hicks, f New York, is an American by birth. real worker and a believer in conillation and arbitration instead of strikes. If he can impress his conservative character on the deliberations of the Knights, the deposition of Sovereign will be borne by the public with tolerable: composure,

1,000,000 Europeans. It is possible the United States might spare some. The news which comes relative to

iladstone's physical decay is truly

saddening. There is a grand old man

chem civilization can ill spare. There are 484 colleges in the United States, but there are also several thousand broweries.

The Tap-room of the Princeton Inn

specifically, of graduates and friends of the students visiting the university towa. The establishment has no direct connec-tion with the university, but is recognized in the Princeton catarogues and guile books as associated with it indirectly. In this very inviting in there reacted their junior year. Under the law of New Jersey and the ordinance of the borough, in order to obtain a license for such a saloon it is necessary that a stip-ulated number of adjacent residents, mated number of adjacent residents, property holders, shall sign an application for it. In past years the requisite rignatures have been secured, and the sale of figures has some on without provoking serious public discussion, Nor has any instance of any abuse of the fun's drink-ing prichage on the course. ing privileges on the part of the Princeton students been complained of, so far as we have heard. Priends of the univeras we have heard. Priends of the univer-sity seem rather to have regarded its

places of the town into which they might

When this year it became necessary t secure the signatures of the stipulated number of adjacent property holders to an application for a renewal of the li-cense, the existence of the taproom was brought into public discussion by the cirbrothlic expense a day longer than is need brothlic expense a day longer than is need brothlic expense a day longer than is need shadow, the murder trial mentioned above, the judge said:

The prompt and speedy trial of the man Morgan' I hope will have a whole-some effect. I think delay is one of the most profific causers of lynching in the south. Perhaps the blood of the south is hotter. started a great time and cry against Dr. Shields more particularly, on the ground of his direct complicity in the maintenof his direct complicity in the mainten-ance of a drinking salcon in a university community. Unquestionably Dr. Shields was chargeable with such complicity, for, under the circumstances, the renewal of the license of the Princeton Inn's tapreom seems to have been impossible with-out his signature. Accordingly, after long and bitter discussion among the Prohibihe forestalled its decision by sending to it a letter withdrawing from the Presbyterian church, and consequently from its ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and announcing his intention to "enter some other portion of the visible catholic church to which the good hand of God may guide me in due time." Accordingly, a resolution was adopted to crase Dr. Shield's name from the roll of ministers in the Presbytery and recite in the minutes the circumstances of his case,

The course of Dr. Shields in withdrawing was the alternative he had to accept, provided that he was not willing to remoned to my courts and fails to come I put an attachment in the hands of the sheriff and have him bring the indifferent fellow. If public interest can be aroused to demand that courts become what they are intended, a business adjunct of the state for preservation of peace and the protection of society, lynchings will be few, because the courts will leave no occasion for such summary justice. The people naturally respect the law, but they do not respect the law's delay.

Other judges have talked in this same wholesome strain, but inasmuch as this judge practices what he preaches, his words doubly merit our respect. There can be no doubt that Judge Blizzard has fixed upon the soverage for the fails to come in signing the preceding in signing the peculiation is given in signing the presental in signing the presental fixed that he desired in signing the presental fixed on the liquor license. The general assembly of the Presbyterian church in saked in the state for preservation of petitions for license as reprehensible compilety in the sale of intoxicating biquors," and this injunction he had violated squarely, if not knowingly. But Dr. Shields would not withdraw his "complicity," preferring rather to withdraw from the church as this judge practices what he preaches, his words doubly merit our respect. There can be no doubt that Judge Blizzard has fixed upon the soverable professor in the foremest American divinity school of Presbyterianism leaves his church rather than a venerable professor in the foremest American divinity school of Presbyterianism leaves his church rather than administration of religious fatth and theology. Or. Shields leaves the church to which consider his proceeding in signing the pr Dr. Shields leaves the church to which he had given allegiance through a long life, and in which he has been a foremost the, and in which he has been a foremost teacher of theological doctrines, because it undertakes to dictate to him when he feels entitled to exercise his private judgment freely. The New Brunswick Presbytery is not censurable in the prendise, since it merely regarded a deliverance of the supreme authority of the Presbytery in church. The incident is remark.

'run things.'

THE FUTURE OF THE NEGRO.

From Leslie's Weekly. the politics and industry of this country than the future of the negro. The In-lian is gradually abolishing himself; the vellow races are not numerous enough to be a factor, and the immigrants from Circassian lands are generally digeste Circassian lands are generally digested and assimilated by the general population. But the negro is of himself apart. He cannot be digested or assimilated; he must ever remain a black race. The fact that the negro population, owing to the large mortality due to ignorance or negligence of the laws of health, is not increasing as rapidly as the white has led some people to say that time will eliminate the negro problem by constantly reducing his percentage in the population, but this view misses the important fact that the negro breeds rapidly, and the that the negro breeds rapidly, and the spread of compulsory sanitation will in evitably increase his ratio. This idea of moving the race back to Africa is pur-folly, and from every point of view the conclusion is absolute that the negro is not only here, but he is here to stay and to increase and multiply.

Frederick Douglass used to tell his ra Frederick Douglass used to tell his rac that the only way they could gain equal ity with the white folks was to be equal to the white folks. Booker Washington | preaching and practicing the same trutt As united as the hand, yet as separate a the fingers, is his figure of speech to show the right relation of the races. Unques lonably there is a disposition to do all bat is posisble for the negro, but those who have been studying the situation ncluding intelligent negroes themselves yould like to be more hopeful than th facts admit. The very worst sign is that the negro seems to be losing the occupa-tions which he formerly monopolized Barbaring, shoe polishing, waiting, wash ng, whitewashing and kalsomining, driv-ng, serving, are a few of the humble but elpful employments in which white comoctition is making its way. And worse han that fact is the furtner fact hat in most instances the negro is unable to hold his own against white com-petition. Of course there are many exceptions to the general rule, and individ-ual negroes have made splendid suc-cesses—for instance, the artist whose painting was recently bought for the Louvre-but the real truth is that the great mass of negroes are not much, if any, further from the drudgery basis than they were twenty or thirty years It is said a syndicate has recently has been most deplorable. One of the grand juries in a border state complained within the past month that, while the negro population was only one-fifth of the whole population of the state, the negroes outnumbered over lifty per cent, of the inmates of the penal institutions.

It is not too much to say that politics responsible to a very large degree for the failure of the negro to advance on broader and better lines. The white poli-ticians who live on the negro vote are. practically without exception, utterly un-orincipled and mendacious. They lie to the negro unceasingly, and do all in their power to keep his citizenship down to a small cash basis. This sort of denoralization is increasing at a rate whis alarming, and it is a common thing to sear Republican politicians in the south From the New York Sun.

Adjacent to the grounds of Princeton stances vote the Democratic ticket, they are obliged to pay them to vote the Republicant ficket. But this will certainly reach its climax, and then there may sommodious structure, and was built set. commodious structure, and was built several years ago by Princeton alumin of way is to hope on and work on, knowing wealth for the accommodation, more specifically of respirate and the several product of the second seco

REAL VS. FALSE EDUCATION.

From the Lewiston Journal. If contentment is the highest good, it is books as associated with it indirectly. In this very inviting inn there is a taproom remarkably tastedu in its appointments as such and its artistic decorations. It is one of the prettiest and most
comfortable drinking places anywhere to
be seed, and students of the university
are admitted to it and served with its
beverages, but only after they have
beverages, but only after they have
reached their inner year. Under the law cation given by Professor Mahaffy in ollegiate event at Birmingham. loubts if the schools give as good an education as they did thirty years ago; at any rate, he discovers frightful ignor-ance among graduates of his acquaint-ance. He has himself known students of his own Trinity college, Dublin, to turn out remarkable criminals. Did not that argue something wrong with the system? He modestly said nothing about what it argued in the teachers. But, however that might be, he had the gravest doubts whether the diffusion of education had diffused morality or happiness. tasteful and refined surroundings as con-ducive to the welfare of the students in diverting them from unseemly drinking

That a distinguished professor should ake such superficial views is the strong est indictment that we have seen of suc-partial mental discipline as that of Proesor Mahaffy. Everybody knows that the intellect and the character are no invariably developed in the same degrebut everybody, except Professor Ma-haffy knows that ignorance and vice av-erage to go together, although, fortu-mately for society, only a molety of the ignorant are criminals, and only a molecy of the victous are educated. We are concerned not with exceptions but with rules The Duke of Devonshire says that ever education does not make happiness, it necessary if the modern man and wo nan is successfully to compete larger existence. The fact is that educa-tion makes usefulness, not contentment the basis of happiness, and thus substi-tutes a larger for a smaller life.

The fact is that false education sur ies Professor Mahaffy the basis of hi ndictment. An education that units nan for life, that leaves him powerless not education in the sense of relation o the actual world. They talk in Europe f the learned proletariat—that is, of ody of scholars that can scan Virgil an of affairs, little of science and art. Heris where our educational systems are weak. To enter upon life we must have cience and art, because modern life ! wrought out-that is, the worker mus know how to think aright and how to ac aright. The trade school, the technical chool, are essential if we are to produmething above Professor Mahaffy's pes

A PROP OF BRYANISM.

From the New York Sun.

All the use of the cry for currency reform of the "bank currency" suri, is to provide Mugwumps with an apparent cause for complaint against the national administration. Legislation by congress cannot possibly be among the results. Congress is not so constituted as to de-sire to cancel the notes of the United States for the sake of substituting and guaranteeing in some form or other th notes of private banks. No congress of that character can be made, for the reaon that, if at election time the redemy tion of the greenbacks for the gratilication of the bankers were proposed, Bryan ism would be returned in such over-whelming volume that almost the last vestige of conservative sentiment would be swept out of the capitol. In lashin the Republican party for not reformin the currency in accordance with the In dianapolis platform, now dead with the organization of National Democrats, the would-be reformers are punishing a stalled herse whose only possible move under their guidance would be to fall lown a precipice.

The country can rest happy in the fact that the currency of the United States is unassailable so long as the government' ance of the supreme authority of the Pres-byterian church. The incident is remark-able, however, as showing how light have become the bonds of church allegiance.

STICKING TO A WILFUL LIE.

Hassanable so long as the government's revenue meets its expenses, and that all danger can be removed from that side by a law to keep greenbacks received for gold as a fund by themselves, to be paid out for gold only. None the less, the continued agitation of the bank currency fanation for what is practically tunessel. From the Providence Register.

W. S. Langstaff was defeated for county treasurer because he was sold out, and he Scranton Tribune knows it, but for bolicy sake only keeps up the talk about present condition of politics.



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