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Written for the Saturday News by Prof. L. P. Christensen of Christensen's Dancing Academy,

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An interesting subject of discussion [among the maids and matrons of the city at the present time is propriety in dancing. Among the younger set there is an inclination to continue to justify the "Bunny Hug," often called the "Football Hug" or the "Bowery Rassle." Partially to the credit of the more mature members of society it may be said that the dance of the vulgarians is being adaptioned, not so much from a desire for propriety as to get away from a custom that has been taken up by those who are lower down on the social ladder.

Whence came this degredation among respectable people of the simplicities and beauties of the dance? From that seat of learning known as Harvard , fle all efforts at blotting them out.

"ETERNAL PUNISHMENT." "Eternal Punishment" is a question which has caused much trouble in the past. The dogma of eternal punishment was propagated by a decision of a council of the church of Rome in the year 237. Antherius being pope at that time. It was directel particularly against Origen, who was the greatest biblical scholar of his day, who taught that in time even devits would be exempt from punishment; that hell would cease to exist and that God would refus supreme over all-heav-en, earth, hell, and the entire universe, which belief was held by many thousand Christians of that day. Origen was call-ed to account by a council of the church and his teaching condemnei as heritical, although most of the oriental Christian churches still adhere to him, among the number being Antioch and Ephasis." This decree was 165 years before the adoption of the final canon of the Scrip-iure at the third council of Carthage, in the year 357, when a good many writings heretofore considered inspired were re-jected, among the number being an episother. The power of example became apparent when the servant girls, who at first scorned to degrade their manners by imitating a gross and awkward custom, finally fell victims to the contagion and every grade of the lower stratas of society became infected. Only then did the ultra-fashionables see the error, and even now there is an apparent unwillingness to abandon the vuigarism

Salt Lake has not by any means es aped the social degredation, for it has found secure lodgment in some quarters.

Our community has not suffered as much from the introduction of improper forms of dancing as some castern cities have, and yet we have not escaped entirely. Because I am engaged in the teaching of the art of correct dancing it is doubly painful to me to witness these innovations, which seem to baf-

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The executors repudiate the claim

college. As a matter of history the Bowery style of dancing was naturally in vogue at Coney Island because it expressed the character of the dances did not have to be introduced, fo had its origin there. It was the dance of the vulgar, without the slightest attempt at decency, morality or manners. Because of its natural growth and its natural expression of low life, it flourishes at Coney Island and was qupite characteristic of the place. Heal-thy young pigs at play in a barnyard could not act more naturally than did the dancers at Coney Island. The dance fitted the class of people responsible for its origin, and thus had some merit as a performance because of its naturalness. Those who enjoyed the dance did not assume to have good manners, and were not even pretenders of decency. They simply danced as their warped consciences dictated, and there were none to make them afraid.

While the Bowery dance was confined to Coney Island, there was no apparent unpropriety about it so far as the great mass of the public was concerned. The degradation came when it was taken from its native soil and planted in the midst of decent people. Some Harvard students, the sons of millionaire citizens, while striving for new sensa-tions, adopted the Concy Island side of dancing. It spread like a conta-gion. So prone is human nature to retrograde rather than advance along moral lines, that the transplanted vul garism quickly took root in the aristo-cratic social gardens of the entire country. No respectable servant gir could be found at that time who would permit herself to be drawn into the shocking custom adopted by the better classes. The outlandish and uncouth innovation was confined to Coney Island at one end of the social scale and

When I realize that Harvard college was responsible for the vice, I am more than ever impressed with the convic-tion that the schools and colleges are adly deficient in the teaching of moral lessons. They bend all their energies to the training of the mind and body, and yet leave the question of morais and polite deportment entirely out of the curriculum. They suggest moral conduct but do not teach it. They leave his important matter entirely with the pupil. The result is a shocking laxity in those things which form a moral guide to the young. To be a good foot-ball player is a great achievement in these modern days, but to have graceful manners forms no part of a student's training. On the football field manners are of little importance, and when the quarterback shalfback or full-back happen to be in the presence of polite people, they bring their football ideas with them to the drawing room, the ballroom or the exclusive social

circle. It seems to be entirely in keep-ing with the football player's daily-life, that when he dances he should seize his partner as though he were lifting a sack of potatoes.

One of the most startling paradoxes in student life is to be found in the military or naval academies. There the attitude and carriage of a soldier is dwelt upon with great care, yet these same students, after all their training may be seen when waltzing in society to assume attitudes worthy, only Comanche Indian. So remarkable a perversion of the mind can only be exlained by saying that the knowledge f young military men on this subject is far below their general stan-dard of culture. Had they been taught that the attitude of a gentleman when moving among cultivated neople is of equal importance with that of a solthe ultra-fashionable circles at the dier, they would not fail to maintain

tle of Clement, who was the third bishe or pope of Rome, who was a disciple Paul, and who is mentioned in Phil plans. This epistle was rejected, we told, because it was 'Of Gnostic 'f Paul, and who is mentioned in Fullap-plans. This epistle was rejected, we are told, because it was 'Of Gnostic Ten-dency.' The Gnostics were a powerful Christian sect of the early ages, who did not believe in eternal pumphment, the great Christian writer. Tertalian being among the number. There were other writings that were also rejected by the council of Carthage, where the Book of Reveitions only had a majority of one vote in its favor. In the New Testament are mentioned 12 books that were also rejected. Other dogmas of the early Chirs-tian church were also decided by coun-ells presided over by the pope-among them the time of observing Christmas. Easter, and other questions. Finally the trinity question-divinity of Jesus Christ was settled by the council of Nicš in the year 32, presided over by Pope Syl-vester I, although the dogma of 'linear-nation' was not settled until the councel of Calcedon, many years later,-Fort Gibof Calcedon, many years later,-Fort Gibson, I. T., Post.

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