

stands; the anti-Jewish crusade, which is so dear to his heart, cannot be kindled at all.

Dr. Ahlwardt might as well go home before his fame is altogether extinguished. He will not add anything to it by remaining in America. The class which he may be able to proscribe in Germany are esteemed as law-abiding and worthy citizens here; nobody wants to worry or expel them. They happen to have one national trait that may be sincerely recommended to Dr. Ahlwardt and upstart trouble-breeders of his class, no matter whence or when they come: they mind their own business. A little of this same Jewish shrewdness, if adopted early into the gentleman's practice, may save him much humiliation that will otherwise await him.

SPAIN'S NEW TROUBLE.

The announcement that Porto Rico in all probability will join Cuba in theurrection against Spain is now made. It appears to be the next number of the great program prepared by the leaders of the Cuban revolution, and that it is about to be carried out proves beyond a doubt that the Cuban rising so far has been successful, notwithstanding all official reports to the contrary.

The insurgents commenced their struggle with ill-drilled and badly equipped soldiers, without money and almost without modern arms. They had no organization to speak of and no resources, and yet they have held out against the army of the mother-country and gained ground inch by inch. They have forced Spain to send reinforcements repeatedly until the army at home has become so reduced as to threaten the safety of the country, and to borrow millions in order to carry on the war. And now with the fact demonstrated that a handful of patriots can hold their own in the apparently unequal struggle, another dependency is about to rise and strike a blow for the common cause. It looks as if it would be good policy for Spain to give up her West Indian possessions as gracefully as possible.

Porto Rico is a little island, one of the Great Antilles, about a hundred miles from east to west and forty miles from north to south. Its area is not quite 4,000 square miles, and it has a population of between six and seven hundred thousand. It is one of the most healthy and fertile of the West Indian islands, and would undoubtedly under a rational government become a comparatively wealthy country. The grievances of the people are similar to those of the Cubans, nearly all the resources of the island being monopolized by foreigners, while the natives are kept in poverty and a state of subjugation.

PAID THE PENALTY.

Harry Hayward has paid the penalty of his crime, and the last scene of one of the most notable tragedies in the criminal jurisprudence of the country is over. The condemned man professed to be a believer in Spiritualism,

and in accordance with his views he cursed one of his brothers in blood-curdling terms, promising to haunt him from the moment his spirit left the body, while he assured the attending physician that he would send him some message from the other world. With a hoarse laugh he ascended the gallows and died without a sign of regret for a wasted life.

Harry Hayward was a professional gambler. He visited different parts of the United States, everywhere spending his time in the most disreputable places. He played a double role, however, and sometimes appeared in high society, where he was lionized by those ignorant of his real character. In Minneapolis he became acquainted with Miss Ging, a young lady whom he decided to sacrifice for the sake of what little money she had. Her body on the evening of December 3, 1894, was found lying by the side of a lonely road, and the murder was fastened upon Harry through the confession of one Claus Blixt, who said he had acted as the hireling of the executed man, and committed the murder. Blixt was sent to the penitentiary for life.

The baneful consequences of contact with immoral persons is plainly visible in the history of the principal actors involved in the Hayward tragedy. Even if the outcome is not always the same as in the case of the victim and his slayers, it is certain to lead with more or less precision in that direction. There is profound wisdom in the remark made long ago, that he is blessed who walks not in the council of the ungodly, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; for the final result is certain destruction.

FALSE AND OBSCENE.

In a Homœopathic Magazine just at hand appears an article copied, it seems, from an Eclectic medical journal. It purports to be a correspondence from Dr. A. L. Davidson, of Mount Pleasant, Utah; and it is so full of falsehood, and so nauseating in its obscenity as to exclude it from the columns of respectable journals.

We do not know whether there is in Mount Pleasant a Doctor A. L. Davidson, or whether it is merely a nom de plume; it appears that no such person is a member of the Utah Medical Association. But it seems pretty clear to us that any medical man, or other professional, who can stoop so low as to betray the trust of the people among whom he is living and on whom he is dependent, and publish abroad falsehoods incubated in his own imagination, if his full deserts were to be given to him, would find himself behind the walls of the penitentiary. And it is further clear that if any community has the misfortune to harbor among its members such an individual, the attention of the people whom he has grossly insulted should be called to the fact, so that they may be in a position to govern themselves accordingly. It, on the other hand, the correspondence referred to is forged and the doctor's name used without his knowledge, a grievous wrong has been committed against him, which he can hardly afford to pass in silence.

Reputable medical men in this city do not hesitate to say that the article referred to is most unprofessional and unwarranted, and steps are likely to be taken to find out where the responsibility for it rests.

As to the medical journals that have given it publicity, it remains to be seen whether they cannot be reached through the legal enactments that make it a serious offense to send obscene literature through the mails. We believe that publishers have been made aware of the existence of that law on account of far less objectionable matter than this, to which we refer.

IN TACOMA, Wash., there exists, it appears, a vigilance committee of fifteen for the express purpose of purifying the community of the presence of Chinese. Since Nov. 3rd, when a raid was made, the city has been free from the hated Asiatics, it was thought, but the other day a Chinese domestic was discovered in the household of a Tacoma resident. This caused great excitement and the committee immediately came together and discussed the matter and concluded to force the Chinese to leave the city. The objection is, of course, that the Mongolians work for lower wages than the white laborers, but to the impartial spectator of things, it will be difficult to discover the difference by the spirit manifested in Tacoma against the Chinese and that displayed in China against the foreigners—a spirit which, however, all are agreed to call barbarous.

A BABY alarm, or means for signaling the crying of an infant which has been left asleep in a distant room, is one of the recent boons offered by science. A sensitive microphone, connected to a battery and to the primary of an induction coil, is placed near the child's cot. The secondary of the coil is connected by two wires to a small electro-magnet at the place where the alarm is to be given, and on the crying of the child the microphone sets up an undulatory current in this circuit, causing the electro-magnet to deflect a delicate steel balance and close an electric bell circuit. It would be a brave child, who in view of all this paraphernalia would dare to lift up his little voice at all.

A GOOD many divines during the present generation must have been in a position to sympathize with the Chicago Sunday school urchin who was invited to prove by a verse from the Scriptures that it is wrong for a man to have two wives. Few of them, however, have had the ready wit and memory that enabled him to give as an answer: "No man can serve two masters."

EX-GOVERNOR TAYLOR of Tennessee says the mountains of his state are so high that one can stand on the top of some of them and tickle the feet of the angels. We suspect that moonshine, which is naturally plentiful in the vicinity of those high mountains, has a great deal to do with the ex-governor's feelings and figures of speech.

THE NEW YORK Sun, always on the lookout for novel subjects of discussion, is querying whether it is correct to use "tooth-brush" or "teeth-brush." It is regrettable to say that too few people use either.