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ABOLISH "THE CODE !"

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In the twentleth century, the civilized races of this earth ought to have advanced far enough to sense the folly and savagery of duelling. Nothing is proved by a resort to physical force, even when used with skill, except that one of the combatants is stronger or quicker, or more carefully trained than the other. No principle is vindicated, and "honor" is not established or lost by the outcome. If one is called "a liar," his veracity is not made any more apparent if he kills his accuser, than if he is killed himself.

The feuds in the South, a relic of the vendetta in southern Europe, is worse than the ordinary duel, because it is a heritage of hate that crops out in assassination and its victims often are innocent of any wrong or evil intention. It is a horrible and inexcusable form of barbarism, made worse by a measure of intelligence and cultivation. It ought to be suppressed by a rigid enforcement of law, and those who are guilty of the murderous practice should be dealt with as wilful and bloodthirsty assassins.

A short time ago Judge W, H. Thomas of the city court, in charging the grand jury at Montgomery, Alabama, denounced the custom of bloodshedding in the South in alleged defence of "wounded honor," and proved from figures he had prepared that th

ons of defense. Terrorism is what 650,000,000 bushels. As to the foreign s aimed at. In view of this fact, is it not time to demand compulsory arbitration of labor troubles? Why should not corporations and unions be compelled to abide by the decisions of competent courts, as are individuals? The conmaximum shortage estimates are for a iention that compulsory arbitration or labor troubles is impractical comes from those only who have an interest a keeping up strife. No labor dispute an be settled, or has ever been setled, except by arbitration. Why should the parties involved, then, not be com-

is imperfect, as long as it offers no dequate remedy against the strike evil.

elled by law to resort to arbitration

first, instead of last? Our civilization

THE TWO ALLIES.

f either Great Britain or Japan, in

the defense of their respective interests in China and Korea should become in

volved in war with another power, the

other high contracting party "wil

maintain strict neutrality, and use its

efforts to prevent other powers from

joining in hostilities against its ally."

Japan was shrewd enough to take ad-

vantage of this clause and insist that

it be carried into effect. The prompt

recognition by Great Britain of the

justice of Japan's claim is a notice to

Russia and to France, that the treaty

with the Japanese government means

that interference by a third power will

not be tolerated. The treaty also pro-

vides that if in the event of war "any

other power or powers should join in

hostilities against that ally, the other

high contracting party will come to

its assistance, and will conduct the

war in common, and make peace in

will not be a dead letter, if the con-

A DANGEROUS OCCUPATION.

The assassination of the Russian min-

ister, Von Plehve, recalls the fact that

the business of governing nations is about the most dangerous of all. The

percentage of violent deaths among rul-

ers is astonishingly large, considering

all the safeguards placed around them.

It is a wonder that there are not more

resignations. During the last quarter

of a century, almost every your some

ruler, or high official, has met weath at

the hands of murderers.

ditions contemplated should arise.

crops are now growing, the prospects The question raised by the passage are represented as favorable. Argen through the Dardanelles of two Rustina advices say there will be a very sian cruisers in disguise, is not likely o cause further trouble, since Russian large crop. For Asla the estimates are liplomats are about as great experts for 500,000,000 hushels, against 471,000,000 a retreat, as are the generals. But bushels for the previous crost is of the greatest interest because If these figures are even approxihas shown that the Anglo-Japanese mately correct, there will be a general wheat shortage this year. In this counllinnce is more than a dead letter. the British government protested, not try there will be enough to export to y virtue of the Paris and London supply Europe, at least, and the probability is for a good demand at strong treatles by which Russia is restrained to the Black Sea and Turkey made the prices. The corn crop of the country is est guardian of the Straits, but by virtue

mated to be the second largest one on of the existing allance with the other elligerent. As soon as Japan called record. With the earth yielding an England's attention to the fact that abundance, and the mines pouring Turkey was alding Russia, by permitforth their wealth, there should be no ting warships to pass the Dardanelles, reason for fear of "hard times." the British government felt under obli-In the Far East Russia needs an sation to intervene in behalf of her

inti-retreat society. The treaty with Japan provides that

Uncle Sam to the Czar: "I'll sing thee the songs of Arabia."

The butchers are steaking their al on the outcome of the strike. Why can't the packers and but

thers meat each other half way? The weather growler can no longer

omplain of hot July days.

The striking meat handlers should cemember to handle with care.

"To hesitate is to be lost." So Kuropatkin doesn't linger but retreats at nce.

To Judge Parker dipsomania means a dip in the Hudson; to others it means a drop without water.

General Howard has informed the mutual agreement with it." England's President that he is going to take the present action means that this clause stump for him. O! O!

The correspondent who slew thirty thousand Russlans is the same one who captured Port Arthur.

As the Japanese are closing in on Kuropatkin they and the Russians should soon be at close quarters.

Government by injunction-Deporting miners from Colorado and enjoining them, under severe penalties, not to return.

"Make no mistake: we cannot have too many campaigns," says Secretary Shaw. Perhaps not too many, but a surfeit of them sure.

general public is likely to share in the regret, for it is obvious that popular sympathy is not strongly enlisted upon situation, it is thought that the Eurothe side of the beef trust. This nominal organization held together by ver-bal compact or "understandings" has a bad record. Dignitaries of the bench have spoken in no uncertain terms of its iniquities, and the legal machinery of the government has been invoked to punish it for infractions of the law.

Pueble Chieftain.

The reopening of the packing house trike is extremely regreitable and it should not have been permitted to oc-cur. There seems to have been too much haste on the part of the union officers and phenomenal jack of com-mon sense on the part of the packing house managers. The agreement that ended the strike was a fair one for both wides end is should have been edhered and it should have been adhered to scrupulously.

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The proprietors of the packing houses and their striking employes have used the public as a shuttlecock in their game once too often. The fail in the prices of meat. In the face of shipments from the west reduced to only a frac-tion of their usual amount, proves that a basen has been taylet that the lesson has been taught that the achors never contemplated. That les. teachers never contemplated. That les-son is that too much meat is eaten at all times, and immeasurably too much of the heat making food in summer time. The contending parties have put unwittingly the proper weapon into the hands of the people. The packers and the strikers will be punished and the public benefitted by the simple means of abstaining from much meat eating. public benefitted by the simple mean of abstaining from much meat eating.

San Francisco Chronicle

As between the meat packers and the strikers, public sympathy would almost certainly be with the strikers if they would go peaceably about their busi-ness and make no trouble for those who take their places. The meat trust is about as unpopular as the sugar trust, and on general principles the public would probably rejoice at the success of anybody in getting money from its members. There is little doubt, how-ever, that if the strike goes on the strikers will soon alienate all public sympathy by the riots and murders in which they will engage. When the cause of strikers is just, public opinion strikers, public sympathy would almost cause of strikers is just, public opinion will be more powerful than bludgeons preventing employers from securing





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pean crop will be short. In Russia and France, conditions are said to be unfavorable. The rye crop of Russia, a very important one, will be much smaller than last year's. In France the

reduction of twenty-five to thirty per cent, which would mean a crop around 270,000,000 bushels this year, against 365,000,000 bushels in 1903. An estimate of 288,000,000 bushels of good quality h made by other authorities. The Hungarian official estimate is for 127,300,000 bushels, against 151,000,000 bushels a

year ago. The Roumanian crop is also deficient. The Italian and Spanish crops are turning out below expectations. In Sweden the shortage is esti-New York Evening Mail. mated at thirty per cent. In Argantina, Asia and Australasia, where the

high rate of homicide was due to depraved public opinion, rather than to other causes, and in vigorous language urged upon the jury the duty of propeeding against the perpetrators of unjustifiable homicide. He said in part:

We all must condemn and punish the silly sentiment that avenges wounded honor or fancied insult with the life of its victim; to condone it is to place a premium on brute courage and to cheapen buman life. The law of our state says retreat is no coward-ly doctrine (87 Ala., 6), and if this rule be actually observed, and not proven in court alone by way of defence, the rate of homicide would be much reduced. I, therefore, urge that you honestly investigate such offences pre-sented, and base your findings alone upon the evidence, regardless of what any former grand jury has failed or refused to do, regardless of the findings of any coroner's inquest, or of the opinan of committing magistrates; without regard to the color or standing of the unfortunate victim. Let it ring in your ears and burn in your hearts that the blood of the slain cries out to you that the crime be avenged."

These sentiments ought to be held and uttered by the administrators of the law in every part of this land where the so-called "code of honor" is 'in force, and the doctrine should prevail, that killing a human being except in necessary self-defence is murder, and calls for the extreme penalty without fail.

THE MEAT STRIKE.

According to the dispatches, the meat strike is to be fought to a finish. Nelther side is disposed to give in. What the conflict really is about, does not appear, but assurances are given that a stubborn fight is to be waged.

The magnitude of the business involved can only be comprehended, if the figures are considered. Those figures show that the receipts of cattle at the Chicago market for 1903 amounted to 3,432,486 head; of hogs, 7,847,859 head; of sheep, 4,582,760 head. The shipments of dressed beef from Chicago during the same year aggregated 1,252,233,792 pounds; of lard, 371,000,-959 pounds; of barrelel pork, 175,795 barrels; of other hog meats, 580,282,643 pounds. The strikers, of course, no matter what the outcome of their campaign may be, will lose considerably, by the holding up of this immense business, but the general public will be the main losers. For the consumers will have to pay for the loss of the packing houses. That is a forgone conclusion.

The strike would goon be settled, if the strikers were to confine their operations to legitimate methods. Were they simply to refuse to work, as they have a right to do, their places would speedily be filled with other men. But they do not rely on legitimate methods for victory. They hope to Intimidate the so-called "scabs" and so prevent them from doing the work they have abandoned, and they hope to exasperate the public, until pressure is brought to bear upon the employers in favor of the strikers. Strikes are no favor of the strikers. Strikes are no able wheat yield of the entire country condemnation of the sympathetic longer relied upon as legitimate weap- is now estimated at from 580,000,000 to strike. If a blunder has been made the

In Russia no less than five sinations of this class have occurred, within the period just metioned. Alexander II was killed by the explosion of a bomb by Nihilists in St. Petersburg, March 13, 1881. Sipiagin, the predecessor of M. Plehve, was shot by a student April 15, 1901. M. Bozolepoff, Russian minister of education, was killed by a student early in 1901. Ivanovitch Bobrikoff, governor of Finland, was shot by a son of Senator Schaufice. mann, a Finnish patriot, June 16, 1904. And M. De Plehve was killed by a

bomb thrown under his carriage July In the same period our own country has to its discredit the assassinations of Presidents Garfield and McKinley, not to mention the murder of Goebel in

Kentucky. Such crimes stain almost every country under the sun. Stanislaus Stambouloff, expremier of Bulgaria, was killed by four persons, armed with revolvers and knives, July 25, 1895. Nasr-ed-Din, shah of Persia, was killed May 1, 1896, as he was entering a shrine near his palace. Antonio Canoyas del Castillo, prime minister of Spain, was shot to eath by an Italian Anarchist, August , 1897. Juan Idiarte Borda, president of Uruguay, was killed August 25, 1897. Jose Maria Reyna Barrios, president of Guatemala, suffered a similar fate February 8, 1898. Empress Elizabeth of

Austria, was stabbed in the heart by Laochini, a French-Italian Anarchist, in Geneva, September 10, 1898. Ulisses Heureaux, president of Santo Domingo, was shot at Moca, Santo Domingo, July 26, 189., King Humbert, of Italy, was shot at Monza, Italy, July 29, 1900. And Sadi Carnot, French president, was stabbed to death by an Italian, June 24, 1894.

One of the most sanguinary deeds of the kind was the murder of King Alexander of Servia and Queen Draga, who were shot to death in their palace in Belgrade. Premier Markovitch, Minister Petrovitch and Minister Tudorovics, members of the king's cabinet, were also attacked and shot to death in their respective homes the same night, June 10, 1903, and the queen's brother, Nikodem, also was assassinat-

In view of such a history, it must take courage to occupy thrones, or places near the thrones. It is easily believed that many a monarch would like to exchange position with some of his subjects. And yet, very few voluntarily descend from the stormy summits of honor and power, to the peaceful sheltered valleys below.

CROP ESTIMATES.

Whalever other conditions of prosperity may be, nature certainly contributes her share in bountiful proportions toward the general supply of wealth. It is now evident that the damage done to the crops in this country, by floods and other agencies, is smaller than once supposed. The probable wheat yield of the entire country

The name of one of the judges of the Quebec court of appeals is Bosse. A good name for a man from whose judgment there is no appeal. People and papers still are asking,

What is the paramount issue of the campalgn?" The answer is "dead easy:" To capture the presidential of-

General Wood insists that all American soldiers should learn to swim. The insistence is proper. Let them be sent to Esopus, the most famous swimming school in America.

A friend of the "News" brought today to the office a sugar beet from Raymond, Canada. It is a fine specimen and proves what that locality is capable of producing in that line.

Governor Warfield of Maryland says that young women should not marry until they are twenty-six. That is the age at Which Mrs. Warfield married, Maryland, the land of belles, will hardly echo the Governor's sentiments,

Mr. John Rider of Winder Ward, Granite Stake, shows his friends some apples grown in his orchard close to the city. They are beauties. They would show up well among the horticultural wonders of the World's fair.

The superior court of Georgia granted Mrs. Eva Creighton of Savannah, a widow, an injunction restraining one D. E. Currie, a young man of that city, from communicating with her daughter, Celeste, fifteen years old, "either by letter, note, telegraph, telephone, public or private messenger, or by whistle, sign, signal, scheme or device whatscever, whether practised alone or in conjunction with another, by which his thoughts or will may be communicated or become intelligible to said Celeste." The Georgia supreme court will yet find out that love laughs at locks and bars, and injunctions.

THE STRIKE.

New York Evening Post. Now, it is not the consuming public that the strikers desire to hurt. Doubt-less they count upon the general in-convenience, caused by the strike, to force a settlement. But their anger is not directed that way, nor even mainly against their employers. Their chief enemy they consider the free working-man. Him they pursue with savage ferocity. The existence of a body of non-union men ready to work is to hom-union men ready to work is to hom-union men ready to work is to hom-union men ready to be their feilow shaves in the union, and to per-fect their own monopoly. In other words, the anti-monopoly laboring man is marked out for the especial venge-ance of the labor unions. New York Evening Post.

