

BLACK HAND SOCIETY A MYTH

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HAS CREATED PREJUDICE.

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Chicago, April 14.—"The Black Hand society is a myth. No such organization has ever existed,"

So declares Bernard Barassa, a prominent Italian lawyer and former attorney for the Italian consuls here, commenting on the recent alleged "Black Hand" outrages in this city. He is at the head of a formal movement to abolish what he calls a "hoax" on the public.

"The thing has gone too far," he says, "is hurting the Italian people. Matters have got to such a point that when I go into court to try cases before a jury, I have to ask the verdict—whether they are prejudiced against Italians. I don't think I have ever seen a little questioning brings out the fact that this prejudice is founded on the Black Hand stories, and Italian businessmen are troubled the same way."

The term Black Hand originated in New York. A small group of blackmatters wrote letters to a number of wealthy men, since then it has been used thousands of times in correspondence with hundreds of different persons or organizations.

An investigation of crimes among Italians will show that they are either victims or murderers. The Italian is not often a thief. He is not tempted and that accounts for the results.

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Call your disease what you will—Indigestion, Gastritis, Nervousness, Dyspepsia, Catarrh of Stomach, etc.—you know the real name, the real disease is fermentation of the food you eat—a sour stomach which belches gas and eructs undigested food or causes a feeling of nausea and miserableness.

All these miseries vanish promptly when you stop this food fermentation. Take fifty cents to your Pharmacist for a case of Diapepsin. Eat a triangle, and five minutes later your stomach will do what a healthy stomach should—that is, turn every bite you eat into healthy nourishment and without you realizing that you have a stomach. One triangle will digest all the food you eat without the aid of the stomach, because it contains just the elements found in a good, strong, healthy stomach.



MRS. MATTHEW SCOTT, CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENCY OF D.A.R.

Washington, April 14.—Mrs. Matthew Scott, who will be the administration candidate for the presidency of the Daughters of the American Revolution at the opening of the congress of that body here on April 15, is prominent in the social life of the capital. She is a resident of Bloomington, Ill., the widow of a wealthy coal mine operator. Mrs. Brownell, wife of Captain Charles Brownell, formerly major domo at the White House, is her daughter. The most important measure to come before the convention is the matter of the completion of Continental Hall.

ORIENTAL WOMEN GOING INTO POLITICS

New York, April 14.—That oriental women are going into politics in Turkey, is a subject of interest at this time, in view of the revolutionary disturbance, is held by Col. Monroe Newton Kahn, a member of the Imperial Persian legation. In an address before the Women's Republican club at the Waldorf yesterday he declared that the current movement in Persia was nothing compared with the activity of the women in the orient.

"Practically all the arms and ammunition and dynamite carried across the frontiers of Turkey, Persia and Russia, at the present time are smuggled over by women," who carried them under their skirts," said Newton. "When politics touch the home and bread and butter, that is when the women begin to be interested. Turkey and Persia are about 300 years behind America. Politics are in a disruptive condition, about as they were here at the time of the Boston tea party. All is riot and murder, and that is what the women there are doing now. When they want anything done in the east they are very apt to put the women forward. I have seen a woman attack a man in the street, and when he would not have stood it from a man, he would submit to the woman."

After hearing Col. Newton's address, the club women voted to send sympathy to the women of the east.



ROY WEST, WHO MAY SUCCEED SENATOR HOPKINS.

In the progress of the senatorial deadlock in the Illinois legislature several men have been mentioned as possible successors to Senator Hopkins. Among the more prominent of these is Roy O. West, who is now regarded as the man the party factions may ultimately unite upon. He is chairman of the Republican state committee.

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SCHOOLBOYS AT TARGET PRACTISE FOR NATIONAL RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP

The National Rifle Association of America has designated April 12 to 14 as the time for holding the championship indoor matches for the public and private schools of the country. The matches will be held at local schools, the shooting being done at targets supplied by the national association. Each institution will be represented by a team of 10 students. All over the country schools are practicing for the matches, much of the practice being done outdoors on regular rifle ranges. The war department also is taking an active interest in the event, and is all the military schools where officers are detailed they have been ordered to act as judges for the National Rifle Association. Among the institutions that have entered teams are: Morris High school, New York city; a rifle association. Among the institutions that have entered teams are: Morris High school, New York city; a rifle association. Among the institutions that have entered teams are: Morris High school, New York city; a rifle association.