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**Forgetting the Victims**

The warden of Sing Sing recently pleaded before a convention of penologists for the abolition of capital punishment. He argued that many men do not fear death, and hence are not deterred from murder by the threat of death. The warden evidently is a benevolent man, who views the whole matter from the prisoner's point of view.

In that convention of penologists the cause of the convicted criminal seemed to be pleaded from every angle. There wasn't a word in favor of the victims of criminals, those whom they have robbed, clubbed, shot, injured, killed. All the social forces of the day would seem to be enlisted in the criminal's behalf. Yet in not a few cities the ordinary citizen is not secure upon the streets in the day time nor even safe in his house at night.

A poor man, or a hard-working woman, is robbed of the weekly wage or the year's savings by some lazy, vicious, worthless rascal. A citizen of good habits, of productive value, is robbed of his life by a brutal, perhaps a drug-eating wretch who hasn't one good point in his favor. The indignation of the sentimentalists is not aroused. Most of the protests one hears comes from the tender-hearted who have no compassion for the victims, but are sedulously concerned for the thing's comfort of mind and body, and even for the sensitiveness of his feelings.

Capital punishment may or may not be justified. A really intelligent and imaginative man would fear death, less than life than life-long imprisonment at hard labor. What is demanded, however, is certainty and celerity in punishment, and a degree of punishment commensurate with the felony. All the experience of mankind in all lands and times goes to prove that adequate punishment does prevent crime, and that crime flourishes in proportion to the delay and uncertainty of punishment.

A newspaper recently cited the experience of Judge Thayer of Massachusetts. By severity of sentence he stopped crimes of violence in Springfield and Worcester. When knaves go unwhipped of justice, their impunity encourages other knaves to steal, injure, kill. When a manlayer swings, when the robber gets a long term at hard labor with no time off, when the gunman is sent up reluctantly to prison in which he isn't coddled and in which he stays twelve or fourteen years, then and only then is a decent citizen safe on the streets and in his home.

**A Work to Interest World**

With the carrying out of the Morgenthau plan for the settlement of well-nigh a million Greek refugees upon lands in Macedonia possessed or politically controlled by the Greek Government—and there is apparently no political or business reason why it should not be carried out—the Hellenic kingdom will achieve a social and economic feat which will more than compensate it for any humiliation that may have been inflicted upon it by the unfavorable and punitive settlement of the Jewish murders crisis. We recall indeed, but two events in modern history which compare with this project in the way of utilizing the beneficent gifts of nature. One of these two was the famous exploit of Count Rumford in settling the refugees and congested city inhabitants of Bavaria on the land, and making industrious and productive citizens out of them, and the other and much greater one of the settlement of the western lands of our own Western Provinces under the homestead and pre-emption laws.

As it is now outlined from Geneva, this Greek project calls for the acquisition of 1,200,000 acres of land in Macedonia, or that general section, to lands of families of young men of

the Greeks who have been expelled from the Turkish dominions by the triumphant Turkish Nationalist Government. These people, who lived in Anatolia and Thrace, are now mostly maintained at the expense of American charity and appropriations by the Greek Government. They number almost if not quite a million; nearly all of them are pure Greeks, and all are Christians. They were, in their original homes, an industrious and peaceable people, and they average more distinctly Hellenic blood than the inhabitants of Greece proper. Settled upon land, and making their own living, they will constitute a most important addition to the strength of the Greek nation, instead of being a burden, as they now are. They will contribute notably to the rebuilding of the new Greek kingdom.

The funds which are to be used in establishing these people on the land are to be provided by a European loan of from \$15,000,000 to \$30,000,000 (of which \$5,000,000 are to be advanced by the Bank of England, and under the European guarantee, which are understood to be forthcoming there should be no difficulty in raising the requisite amount. The whole proceeding will be handed over by the Greek Government to a commission which will be headed by Mr. Henry Morgenthau, a former U. S. ambassador to Turkey, and surely a man of responsibility as well as of proved benevolence. The project seems to be surrounded with every requisite guarantee that its terms will be successfully and honorably carried out.

How does it happen that there is all this land to dispose of for this excellent purpose? The Turks themselves are chiefly responsible for that. Their centuries of misrule turned the greater part of Macedonia into a wilderness. Practical agriculture, even grazing, became impracticable in the valleys and upon the hills where Alexander's empire of the world was once nourished. Only a sparse population survived there, for the most part. The Balkan wars have completed the devastation. As for the private titles which exist in the region it will be the task of the commission to adjust those. The Greek nation, with its undoubted practical genius, may be trusted to make Macedonia bloom, as it has already redeemed the Peloponnesus, once desolated by the Turk. So at last not only Macedonia, but the world, will be helped.

**Funeral Flowers**

A prominent church official ten years ago started a national movement to abolish the sending of flowers to funerals. He said, "Take the roses and put them, not on a coffin, but in the lapel of the coat of the laboring man on his way to work." The gentleman did not succeed in abolishing a custom that is essentially beautiful. A love for flowers is a sign of refinement, native or acquired. A flower is a symbol of joy. In its living texture Nature concentrates all the glow of sunlight and the sparkle of the stars. There is an appealing tenderness in their friendly faces that has made them appropriate gifts to bereaved friends.

But sometimes the custom of sending flowers to funerals is so overdone as to constitute a heavy tax on families that can ill afford it, for it has

come to the point where people frequently are called stingy for not doing it. The sentiment of love and sympathy is often more eloquently expressed in the little bunch of blossoms plucked by a lady from her garden than it is in the blanket of roses sent by the fraternity to which the deceased may have belonged. And those who grieve for their dead know this to be true.

**Facts and Fancies**

**Tired of It**  
"I see that some musician has discovered the genesis of 'Yes, We Have No Bananas.'"  
"That so? The exodus of the silly thing would be of more interest to me."

**Still Better to Stay at Home**  
"Fred is such a dear, thoughtful fellow."  
"Isn't he? Why if he has a cough, he goes to the movies instead of the theatre."


**Didn't Want the Worm**  
Mother—You darling little boy! In dividing that apple you kept the half with the worm-hole for yourself and let your sister have the other half.  
Johnny—Yes; I s'pected that the worm had bored through to the other side.

**Might Well Have Paused**  
"Why don't you get an automobile?"  
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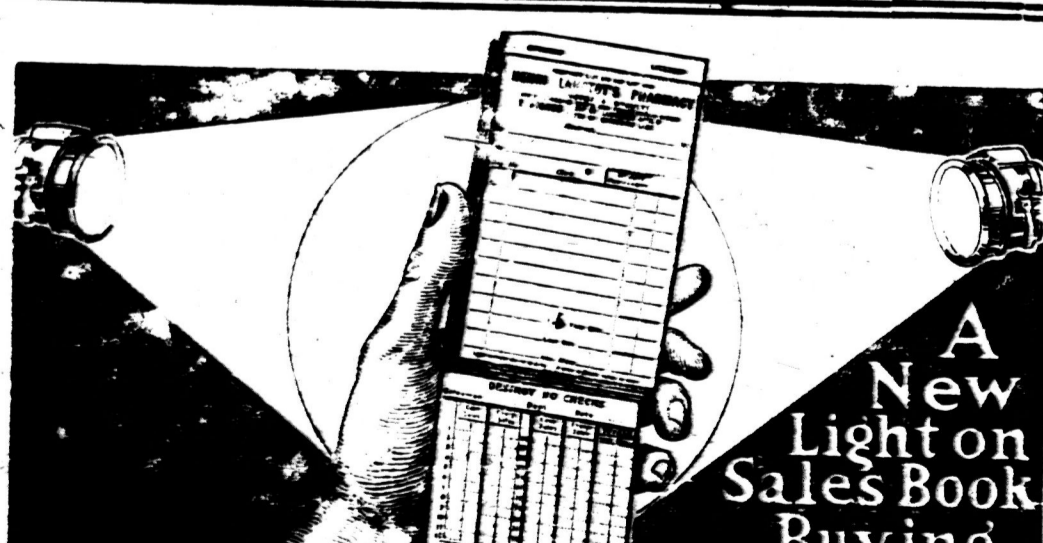
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In Haldimand Frey is agriculturist with headquarters were about 50 on competition this year in the essay prize essay, by H. Dunnville, is here.  
Nitrate is being more in the growing as well as being other farm crops. Experiments, I observed when mixed with vegetables in ground and to be stronger naturally are healthful, larger, earlier maturity of vegetables which have not had nitrate. It also helps to grow more solidly.  
The vegetables used were very not a single worm and we all know that hinder the growth. Therefore, I believe as a helper in making strong enough such enemies.  
When vegetables are strong and clean when we use nitrate they will be tender to buy their vegetables the best they can. This quality, which find was aided by quicker sales and better I would like to from my own "home" that nitrate is of benefit of garden crop. One day during growing my garden for I am proud of to the cauliflowerers: "Why didn't you variety of cauliflower

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