

BORE IT FOR CHRIST.

Mrs. Watkins Leaves Romanism for Christianity and is Persecuted.

A Letter From J. T. Cook, Romanist—Letters and News Items From all Parts of the Country.

Would Rotten Egg Her.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Nov. 28, 1894. Editor THE AMERICAN.—Dear Sir: Being a reader of THE AMERICAN, and believing in protecting our home and country, it seems to me that we must read and learn. I think the greatest evil to overcome is Romanism, and to overcome it we must know how to meet it. We must know of the trickery and tyranny of the Roman priests; how they use their ignorant dupes—their followers.

Even in the small town of Central City, Neb., we see Romanists being used as a stick in the hands of a traveler. One case came under my observation in the person of Mrs. J. W. Watkins, a young woman of only 22 years of age. She was converted to the Baptist faith and was baptized unto that faith last March. As soon as she had joined the Baptist church the tyranny and persecution of the priest [Father Gleason] and his ignorant followers began. There is not now one Romanist who will speak to her here, not even her mother or her sister. Some of the Catholics have a plan on foot to rotten egg her, but at that time they will find that Mrs. Watkins will have more friends than they think she has.

May Mrs. Watkins, who is a young woman of sterling ability, have the prayers of the readers of THE AMERICAN that she may finish what she has undertaken. Yours truly,

AN AMERICAN.

Stoned the A. P. A.

CONCORD, Mass., Nov. 21, 1894.—Historic Concord was the scene of an A. P. A. riot with bullets and missiles last night. Not since the embattled farmers "fired the shot heard around the world" has this usually quiet town seen so much excitement. More than 1200 members of the A. P. A., gathered from Boston and vicinity, visited the local lodge here, and were received by the jeers and stones of a mob, replying with bullets. Only the cool heads of leaders of the A. P. A. prevented infinite mischief and bloodshed.—New York Herald.

The Y. M. I.

In San Francisco, Portland, [Ore] Denver, Omaha, St. Louis, Detroit, Chicago and almost every large city in the west, there are thousands of members of an organization which is, as yet, but little known in the eastern cities, though they may be working more secretly in the east. It is composed exclusively of members of the Roman Catholic church, and a candidate for membership must produce a certificate from a priest showing that he has been to confession and taken communion during the last 30 days preceding. A Louisville paper prints the following: "The latest order of lay Jesuits is the Y. M. I. [Young Men's Institute] club, but in fact an armed military organization, under control of the pope of Rome. Every parish in the land is to have one company, under orders of the priest; these companies are organized into battalions under control of the vicar-general of the bishopric. Thus it is calculated that an army of a half million can be called out on a few hours' notice by the vicar general, or by the Commander in Chief Satolli, vice pope and supreme lord of the United States.

The pope claims the power to dispose of any Protestant country as he may please. He has given the United States into the hands of Satolli, an Italian. Satolli is organizing his army in every parish. All Catholics, between the ages of 16 and 20, unless they already belong to some military organization, such as the Roman Knights of St. John, must enroll in some company of the Y. M. I.

In Louisville there are eight councils, the largest of which has a membership of 200. The total membership in all councils of the city is 800, though they claim more than double that strength.

The Y. M. I. takes an obligation: 1, To support the pope and church in preference to the state and its laws; "we are Catholics first and citizens next." 2, To not trade with Protestants. 3, To not employ Protestants. 4, "Where a Catholic and a Protestant are running for the same office, to vote for the Catholic, no matter what he represents." 5, To take part in all primaries and elections and strive to get Catholics in all offices.

In the late Republican primary they succeeded in nominating two candidates—for sheriff and coroner.

In the coming Democratic primary they expect to carry two-thirds of the offices and at all hazards are determined to have McDermott for congress and Pfanz for sheriff.

The Y. M. I. is an active factor in boycotts, going around to shops and factories getting the discharge of Protestants. One distillery in the West End has discharged every Protestant,

and the largest tobacco factory in the West End is said to have, in two months, discharged no less than 188 Protestants and given place to Catholics. The Y. M. I. boasts of the fact that it asks all its campaign funds from Protestants. Through the spring it gave [under assumed name] dramatic entertainments; through the summer picnics are the go. The latest, under the name, "Midsummer Outing Club," sold to unsuspecting Protestants no less than 2,000 tickets for a picnic July 24, at Fern Grove. Another will be given soon.

These funds are to entertain a state convention of Y. M. I. in Louisville, to further organize their troops, get arms for such as do not have them already, and to nominate candidates for such offices as they are not able to secure through the primary.—Pittsburg American.

J. T. Cook, Romanist.

PULASKI, Ill., Nov. 28, 1894.—AMERICAN PUBLISHING CO., Chicago, Ill.—Gentlemen: I should think it useless to subscribe for your paper any longer. According to your theory since the 6th the country is on a safe basis. Roman Catholicism and the Democratic party crushed under the car of juggernaut. But nevertheless I see you still have your war paint on, fighting bishops, priests and sisters of charity. Now I should advise you to be more lenient. Are you acquainted with those people? Certainly not, or you would not be so rash. You must recollect that the Catholic faith was first in the field, 100 years before any of your loyal Americans "as you call them" set their foot on Plymouth Rock. Now you raise a big bugaboo about convent life and seem to know what's going on inside. But one you seem to be acquainted with. That is Maria Monk, who was convicted in the criminal courts of New York and died serving her time on Blackwells Island. The others whom you refer to are apostates from the faith. As to Bishop McNamara, whom you defended so well in the courts of Kansas City: His career you will find out by writing to Raleigh, N. C. The others do not amount to nothing. If those turncoats are "loyal Americans" you will have a nice crowd. There was two men running for office, that is, sheriff, one an Irishman and the other a German American. The last named tried the A. P. A. racket, organized a lodge among the negroes, but failed. All intelligent Protestants dropped him and voted for the Irishman. Now your scurrilous paper seems to scandalize Irish, especially Irish Catholics. They are gentlemen compared to what you call loyal Americans. But I suppose you mean Orangemen. It is a pity that you do not have another William of Orange or a Cromwell to lead your A. P. A. mob and murder women and children, marching to the tune, Boyne Water. But I will refer you to a substitute by sending for Mr. Johnson, of Bally Killbeg. He is a loyal Orangeman. Perhaps you are acquainted with his Orange lilies. I imagine that you sniffed the breeze of Toronto many a 12th of July. If you pretend to be a loyal American, I would go according to the constitution, which says: No religious test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office of public trust under the United States. I see you are acquainted with all oaths connected with the Catholic church. You should also publish an Orangeman's oath the same as A. P. As. you imported from Canada. But it will all die out. To hell with the pope, Satolli, and all the rest of them. This might do in days of yore, but not in these bright days of the Nineteenth century. Respectfully,

J. T. Cook.

Naturalization Laws.

Judge Dallas, who presides over a federal court, recently rendered an opinion in which he holds that it is the duty of judges to hear evidence concerning the fitness of candidates for naturalization. And he suggests the idea that in every county it is the duty of the district attorney to challenge the fitness of every applicant for citizenship, and to insist upon the production of proof by witnesses.

This judge has a proper conception of the rights and duties of citizenship and it is a thousand pities that all who sit upon the bench do not share in his opinions and carry into practice his precepts. As it is, each court is a law unto itself in this respect. One judge conducts the process of naturalization in a sober and conservative manner; another makes citizens of all who apply. Perhaps everybody will agree that uniformity is desirable.

The matter of citizenship should be wholly regulated by the federal government; the supreme law should forbid any state admitting to the privileges of the suffrage an alien who has not become a naturalized citizen of the United States. At present one who has been abroad must live here five years before he can become a citizen. But in certain western states an alien who has been in the country three months may vote for presidential electors, may even hold office. Surely this is a cheapening and a degradation of the privileges of citizenship.

The law should be uniform all over the country. It should be made unlawful for any state to permit any one

to vote who is not a citizen of the United States. Rules and regulations should be framed for the government of the naturalization courts, and these should be enforced in every court in the land. The process of naturalization should not be left to the whims of the judges; it should be carefully provided for by federal statute which would be equally binding upon all the courts. If the representatives from this district want to win distinction and secure the gratitude of patriotic citizens, let him frame and present a bill for the purposes described in the foregoing remarks.

American citizenship should be regarded as too high and sacred a thing to be put down to the level of the "cheap counter." The person to whom it is granted should be worthy. He should be able to show that he is worthy. And the law should forever put an end to the possibilities of political bargaining and trucking, now so common every year.—Altoona Tribune.

No Free Speech.

Last week we made mention of the decision of Judge Doherty, of Quebec, against the claim of the Catholic Revue for damages from Archbishop Fabre whose action ruined the Revue by placing it under ban of the church. Judge Doherty, himself a Roman Catholic, held "that the loss and injury inflicted on the publisher of the paper, resulted from a criticism and a warning against the paper, which the bishop had a legal right to publish." The case has been appealed to the superior court, on the ground that while the archbishop had a right to criticize the Revue, he had no right to threaten expulsion from the sacraments of the church, those who might patronize the Revue, since Roman Catholics are taught to believe that the sacraments are essential to salvation. Writing a criticism is a very different thing from using authority to crush an enemy. If Canadian law is powerless to make this distinction, there can be no free speech in that dominion, wherever Catholics depend upon Catholic patronage.—Omaha Christian Advocate.

A Dastardly Assault.

A party of about sixty persons, representing various lodges of the American Protective Association, went to Vallejo last night on one of the red stack tugs to assist in the installation of a new lodge. On leaving the tug at Vallejo the excursionists formed in line and marched to the church where the lodge was being formed, and there they were received and entertained by their friends and the pastor of the church. It was near midnight when the party was ready to return, and the march was commenced back to the tug. When about half way down to the wharf the visiting members were set upon by a crowd of men, and a fight ensued. The order of march was broken up, but the party kept together and reached the tug. As soon as they were aboard the assault was recommenced. A shower of stones and other missiles were flung at the tug and several windows were broken. As the tug moved away from the dock the assault became more violent and the people on the shore began to fire revolvers. Bullets flew thick and fast for a few moments and until the tug was out of range. The shots were evidently meant to kill, as they flew all about the tug; but luckily none of them found a human mark. The men of the tug's crew say that no shots were fired from the tug, but all the shooting was done from the shore.—American Patriot, San Francisco, Cal.

Wants Americans.

Rev. Dr. Henson during a lecture in Y. M. C. A. hall Chicago, Sunday afternoon, Nov. 25, 1894, used the following language:

"What dominates the city? It is dominated in a very large majority by the foreign elements. I do not wish to be misunderstood. In London 2 per cent of the population are foreigners. In Chicago, who knows? Seventy per cent or more. I do not object to foreigners. We are all descendants of some foreigner. I do not object to a man's presence here, provided he comes here to be an American. [Applause.] I do not want to see a Russian-American, a German-American, an Irish-American, an Italian-American, but simply an American. [Applause.] I want to see but one flag on the city hall of New York, on the city hall of Chicago, on all our city halls. If a man cannot learn to love that flag with its stars and stripes and to sing 'America,' let him go back to where he came from. [Applause and cries of 'throw him out!'] There is a great danger of our being Europeanized. We used to get the cream of Europe; we are now getting the dregs and scum. The early settlers brought their Bibles; nowadays they bring their bombs under their blouses. I am not a Democrat [Laughter]; I am not a Republican; only a mugwump with Prohibition proclivities. I have not a word to say against the protective tariff provided it protects. But the word has shrunk so that it seems to be only connected with steel rails, copper wire and steamships. It may bring higher wages, but the agents of steamship companies rake Europe for human freight to come over here and avail themselves of the benefits of the protective tariff. I go to the

workshop with my boy to place him at a trade, and a foreigner, the foreman, tells me they are not taking any apprentices, and my boy has to join Coxey's army. [Applause.] I believe in America furnishing an asylum for the oppressed of all lands, but it is possible to bite off more than we can chew. Our cities are chock full of this sort of people, whom we can not assimilate brought over by the protective system, an artificial stimulation to immigration. Why, just read the utter y unpronounceable names of our public officials. [Applause.]

"The saloon keepers are the real anarchists. They are our solons; our city council is a beer garden. The great cities dominate the country; the saloons dominate the cities. What must be done? I would concentrate on the saloons. I would bring all batteries to bear on them, until I blew them off the face of the earth. There are some people in this town who are trying to clean the Augean stables with ash vels. When Hercules undertook the task he turned the waters of the river into the stable. We are spending millions of dollars to turn the water of the Chicago river flowing down the state under the noses of the people to their infinite disgust. The latest plan of science is to turn a powerful current of electricity into the stinking sewage and it will purify the stream and make it limpid and clear. I believe in the electrical powers stored up in this good book. That is the kind of lightning to unchain for the purification of Chicago."

ALL SORTS.

The Sentinel, the brewers' organ in Washington, says, "A majority of the rich beer brewers of the country are Catholics, and have lavishly furnished money for building churches."

The attorneys for Patrick Phillips, a Roman Catholic, about to be tried for murder in Denver, challenged four jurors who were members of the American Protective Association. The challenge was overruled.

It is stated that Rev. Father Bookervice, rector of the United States college at Rome, will succeed Rev. Father Papi as secretary of the apostolic delegation at Washington.

North Carolina has elected W. S. O. B. Robinson, a Roman Catholic, to the office of judge of the supreme court. This is the first instance of this kind in the state.

Here is a tall specimen of popish lying. Says the Catholic Sentinel: There is a monastery at St. Honorat, on an island near Cannes, France, which was built in the Fourth century. No woman has ever been allowed to enter its walls during the 1,400 years of its existence.

Out of the 158 congressmen that voted in favor of giving public money for sectarian purposes, contrary to the principles of the A. P. A. and the constitutional laws of our government, 112 were left at home. When the Indian appropriation bill comes up again it is liable to get knocked out.

The charm of the order of A. P. As., says an exchange, seems to be the fact that it means fight! The members are men who are sick of the apathy and supineness so prevalent in Protestantism—in Americanism generally—who allow Rome to trample in the dust their most cherished institutions, without a word or protest; and allow the many tentacled monster to seize and control city after city without even a murmur.

When Archbishop Ireland preached before the Plenary council in Baltimore, he uttered the following lies about Protestantism. He said: "Did Protestantism advance liberty? It did nothing for liberty. It introduced into the world no new principle that favored liberty. Its claim to private judgment in religion was religious anarchy; if it was anything in civil and political matters, it was political anarchy, the reaction from which always leads to despotism."

In Rome there are 237 times more chances of being murdered than in England, and 132 times than in Prussia. In England one murder occurs in every 173,000; in Prussia one in every 57,000; in Holland one in every 163,000; in Spain one in every 413; and in Rome one in every 750.

In London for every 109 legitimate births, there are four illegitimate; in Leipzig, 20; in Paris, 48; in Vienna, 118, and in Rome, 243.

A Chicago Poohbah.

How is it, Mr. Editor, that a man of such character as Harry F. Donovan can be justly entitled to the above title, for he is, so far as we can learn, the only official occupying appointive positions under the state, county and municipal governments. He is inspector of the Illinois National Guard, under Governor Altgeld, with the rank of colonel. He is a member and chairman of the county school board, and gas inspector of the Hopkins' regime. We believe these are all Democratic appointments, but certainly not by reason of consistent Democracy on the part of the appointee, for having been removed, we

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think we are entitled to call it removal when his resignation was demanded, for the good of the service from the position of superintendent of city delivery in the Chicago postoffice, he went over to the Republicans; tried to re-elect Mayor Roach, and claimed recognition of President Harrison's administration for these services and sought to get back to his old position in the government building. Falling in this he returned to the Democratic fold with the aid of a paper that few know ever existed, and those few only because their attention was specially called to it, and who did not desire to have biographical and other notices of themselves as it was not deemed an honor, did the opposite of the usual course—paid to have them kept out. This system of revenue did not require a large circulation, in fact the larger the business the smaller the sheet. Why a man "bounced" by the federal administration should be thus endowed by the local powers with at least three public offices as a source of income, not to speak of the many other sources that we know not of, is, we say, a mystery to those who knew of his public and private course while in the postoffice, and his reasons for "leaving." We need not tell the readers of your paper that he is a Roman—but we are not bigoted enough to charge the "church" with responsibility either for his character or the preferments alluded to.

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