

The Old Parties or a New One?

I am inclined to think that our good friends, J. G. Birchfield, of Washington, D. C., and his endorser, Joe C. Fus, are not fully informed as to the condition of our people in some localities. They are opposed to the formation of an Independent American party. Let me point out to them a political situation, which has already occurred several times, in several cities. The Democratic party comes into the field with a full set of candidates for all the offices to be filled; and each and every one of the candidates is a Roman tiger or a striped hyena—a so-called Protestant, a tool of the hierarchy, wearing the stripes of the tiger, not quite so dangerous, nor half as beautiful an animal, but with a worse appetite. Not one square American among them all. The Republicans come into the field with a full set of candidates, all but three or four of them Roman tigers and striped hyenas; and even the three or four are so bound and chained by caucus rules and majorities that they are utterly powerless to help themselves or to help us. The Populists march in with a full procession of Roman tigers and striped hyenas for candidates, with perhaps four, or five, or six straggling what-its-its in the rear. There you are. If you vote for the Democrats you are sold to Rome, body and soul, boots, breeches and all; if you vote for the Republicans you are sold to Rome, or so heavily mortgaged to Rome that foreclosure is absolutely certain, with no possibility of redemption; if you vote for the Populists you simply jump headlong into the lairs of the hungry tigers and hyenas. If you stay at home on election day and refuse to vote at all, some one of the lists of candidates will be elected, and you are sold to Rome all the same, and bound and chained as a helpless captive of the victorious party. This was substantially the case at the last election in Chicago. A sweeping Republican victory elected seven tigers and hyenas to manage the local offices in Cook county, and sent twenty-two more of the same kind to make laws for us at Springfield. If there had been a sweeping Democratic victory at the same election, that would have elected nine tigers and hyenas to manage home affairs, and sent twenty-five to legislate for us at Springfield—a difference of only four. A Populist victory would have been only a shade better than it is now. It was an utter impossibility to vote a full ticket of any kind without voting for the striped animals, either disguised or undisguised. A patriotic American had no carthy show. What would friends Birchfield and Joe C. Fos do in such a case? Would they vote against every principle of Americanism, which they hold dear as a birthright? Or would they vote for a new party, based upon liberty and justice, with every candidate true to the best interests of the people, the people and the flag? This state of political facts for the last several years has bound and chained us at this very hour bound and chained in this very way. What will we do? Friends, fight, surrender or run, or be captured and chained?

CHARLES A. STORY.

A Crouching, Obsequious Press.

It would be interesting to know how the freer spirits of the Roman Catholic church feel under some recent exhibitions of tyrannical hierarchical authority. The Catholic Telegraph fell under the ban of an archbishop and instantly fell down on its bones. The Western Watchman, in a spontaneous outburst of freedom, incurred the displeasure of Archbishop Kane. The condemnation of that paper was read in all the churches of the diocese of St. Louis. The editor, Father Phelan, read the reprimand of this paper in his own church. But in the next number of the Watchman Father Phelan braced up his spinal column, and said: "I own this paper. Now let me say to Bishop Kane: No man owns me. I will go further and say, no man owns my pen. I have consecrated it to the service of religion, and I am responsible for my writings to the general laws of the church. If I write anything against faith and morals, or fail in proper respect to ecclesiastical authority, I am liable to arraignment and trial as any other writer; but I shall allow no man born to dictate how I shall write or what I shall write. Neither Archbishop Kane nor all the bishops assembled in Baltimore have any authority to control the columns of the Watchman. As long as I am editor, I shall control this paper, and while expressing honest opinions in a respectful way, I shall never apologize for them at the point of a threat or the thrust of a censure. If the future is to be stormy for me, it may be bright for my fellow priests who shall benefit by my suffering."

Well done, father Phelan. But wait. Mgr. Satoli was appealed to. But the hierarchy must stand or fall together. The rest of the story is briefly told. A little later Father Phelan published the following abject apology and retraction: "I, Rev. D. S. Phelan, editor of the Western Watchman, also of the Sunday Watchman, hereby disavow every utterance which I published or permitted to be published in said papers derogatory to the person or sacred office of

any bishop of the church, and I hereby recall any reflections upon the most reverend administrator of this diocese, which has appeared in the columns of those papers under my control. I also retract the false position assumed in the article entitled "Address of the Editor," and fully acknowledge the right given to the bishops over papers which claim to be exponents over Catholic thought."

Such craven words of confession from one whose position calls for a spirit of independence breaks with a strange sound upon the air of this age and country. It seems that the "exponents of the Catholic thought" dare not say that their souls are their own.—Methodist Herald.

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The Boys Are Awake.

Last week a newsboy stopped on Main street and requested that the following article be printed in THE AMERICAN. He is a bright little fellow of ten, and an enthusiastic American boy—a boy who reads and thinks for himself, and earns a living by selling papers. The story is taken from the Sunday School Advocate, and reads:

"O, Bambino, help! O, Bambino, give us bread! That is the cry of the Italian children when the Catholic priests go marching through the streets of Rome, carrying a painted doll.

"Bambino is the Italian word for babe, and the priests tell the ignorant mothers that this splendidly dressed doll is the Christ-child. The poor women believe it, and tell their children, and so when the priests show the puppet in the streets the people take off their hats and mutter prayers—not to God, but to this idol—and the hungry boys and girls cry to it to give them bread, just as their fathers and mothers pray before the images of the virgin and the saints.

"We Protestants are taught to pray to God, whom we cannot see, but who sees us and thinks of us and ever loves us. Let us think sometimes of these Italian Catholics who pray to senseless dolls, and when we give our money for missions let us pray that some of it may go to Italy and teach the people of that beautiful land the true way to worship God and love his Christ."

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To Be Avoided.

Another proof of the folly and trouble of mixed marriages is now in evidence in Buffalo. A girl whose mother is a Roman Catholic and her father a Protestant, has become interested in the revival services being held at the Church of Christ on Richmond avenue, and desires to join the church. She has been an attendant at the Sunday school for some time, and her father rather favored it. But now when there is danger of her being a Catholic Christian, and getting out of the shackles of medievalism, the innate bigotry of Romanism is manifest, and the girl's desire is positively forbidden. That is not all. Recently a delegation of Romanists from the east side came over to her home and made all sorts of threats of what they would do if she was allowed to become a heretic. There is just one moral to Protestants in this, which is only one out of thousands of instances, and that moral is, don't! Mixed marriages cause trouble.—Empire State American.

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Notice.

Charles C. Housel and Maria Housel, defendants, will take notice that on the 13th day of September, 1894, P. L. Johnson, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the District Court of Douglas county, Nebraska, against said defendants, the object and prayer of which are to foreclose certain tax certificates dated January 7th, 1892, upon the undivided one-half of lots seven (7) and eight (8), in block fifteen (15) in Isaac & Seiden's Addition to the City of Omaha, upon which there is now due the sum of 7 hundred and ninety-eight and 42/100 (\$898.42) dollars. Plaintiff prays for a decree foreclosing said premises and directing that the same be sold to satisfy said sum with interest and costs. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 4th day of February, 1895. Dated Omaha, Neb., December 27th, 1894. P. L. JOHNSON, Plaintiff. By Saunders, Macfarland & Dickey, his Attorneys. 12-28-4

What Does It Mean?

The American pope, Satoli, has entrenched himself at Washington, and over his residence, from a high flag-staff, floats the banner of the papacy. What does it mean? The representatives of foreign nations fly the flag of their country which is right and proper, but what nation does Satoli represent? None at all. He represents a foreign church stripped of all temporal power. Therefore, haul down that flag.—E.

Notice by Publication on Petition for Administration of Estate, Etc.

In the County Court of Douglas County, Nebraska: In the matter of the estate of Olaf Peterson, deceased: Gustaf Peterson, Olli R. Peterson, Annie Peterson, Ellen Peterson, Harry O. Peterson, and all other persons interested in said matter are hereby notified that on the 19th day of December, 1894, Gustaf Peterson filed a petition in said county court alleging among other things that Olaf Peterson died on the 1st day of December, 1894, leaving no last will and testament, and that the above named constitute the persons interested in the estate of said deceased; and praying for administration thereof. You are hereby notified that if you fail to appear at said court on the 19th day of January, 1895, at 10 o'clock a. m., and contest said petition, the court will appoint the above named person or some other suitable person administrator, and proceed to a settlement of said estate. IRVING F. RUTHEL, 12-28-4 County Judge.

Notice to Non-Resident Defendant.

To George D. Weitz, Mrs. Weitz (his wife's first name unknown), non-resident defendants: You are hereby notified that on the 4th day of August, A. D. 1894, Eliza M. Flaniers, plaintiff, filed her petition in the district court within and for Douglas county, state of Nebraska, against said defendants, Eliza M. Flaniers, the Ballou State Banking Company, of Buena Vista county, Iowa, George D. Weitz and Mrs. Weitz, his wife, (first name unknown), defendants, the object and prayer of which is to foreclose a certain mortgage for \$1,000 upon lots 14 and 20, in block 14 Omaha Heights, an addition to the city of Omaha, Douglas county, Nebraska, said mortgage being dated February 1st, 1892, and given by William Emerson and Emma F. Emerson, his wife, to The Ballou State Banking Company, and sold and assigned by it to the plaintiff. There is due upon the note and mortgage \$1,492, with interest from August 1st, 1894, at the rate of 7 per cent per annum together with the sum of \$24.75 taxes paid by plaintiff. Plaintiff also prays that it be decreed that said real estate be sold to satisfy said amount, and that she may have such other relief that may be just and equitable. You are further notified that you are required to answer said petition on or before the 4th day of February, A. D. 1895. Dated at Omaha, Neb., December 28, A. D. 1894. ELIZA M. FLANIER, Plaintiff. Saunders, Macfarland & Dickey, attorneys for plaintiff. 12-28-4

Special Master Commissioner's Sale.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale on decree of foreclosure of mortgage issued out of the District Court for Douglas county, Nebraska, and to me directed, I will, on the 29th day of January, A. D. 1895, at ten o'clock a. m. of said day, at the east front door of the county court house, in the city of Omaha, Douglas county, Nebraska, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the property described in said order of sale, as follows, to-wit: Lot twenty-two (22), in block ten (10) of Orchard Hill, an addition to the city of Omaha, Douglas county, Nebraska. Said property to be sold to satisfy J. Ralston Grant, plaintiff herein, the sum of one hundred, seventy-four and 30/100 (\$174.30) dollars judgment, with interest thereon at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum from September 17, 1894, and forty-four and 70/100 (\$44.70) dollars costs herein, with interest thereon from the 17th day of September, 1894, together with accruing costs, according to a judgment rendered by the District Court of said Douglas county at its September term, A. D. 1894, in a certain action then and there pending, wherein J. Ralston Grant was plaintiff, Josephine M. Getty and others were defendants. Omaha, Neb., December 27, 1894. GEORGE W. HOLBROOK, Special Master Commissioner. Saunders, Macfarland & Dickey, attorneys. Grant vs. Getty et al. 12-28-5 Doc. No. 419

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Under and by virtue of an order of sale on decree of foreclosure of mortgage issued out of the district court for Douglas county, Nebraska, and to me directed, I will, on the 29th day of January, A. D. 1895, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the east front door of the county court house, in the city of Omaha, Douglas county, Nebraska, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the property described in said order of sale as follows, to-wit: Lot eleven (11), in block nine (9) in Shinn's Addition to the City of Omaha, Douglas County, State of Nebraska. The east one-half and the west one-half of said lot will be offered separately. Said property to be sold to satisfy J. B. Dickey, plaintiff herein, the sum of one hundred and thirty-four and 1/10 (\$134.10) dollars judgment, with interest thereon at the rate of ten (10) per cent per annum from September 17th, 1894. To satisfy Francis W. Wessels, defendant herein, the sum of seventy-three and 40/100 dollars (\$73.40) judgment, with interest thereon at the rate of ten (10) per cent per annum from September 17th, 1894. To satisfy from the proceeds of sale of the interest of Nicholas B. Heim, defendant herein, the sum of five hundred and fourteen (\$514) dollars judgment, with interest thereon at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum from February 10th, 1892, and to satisfy the sum of \$61 costs herein, together with accruing costs according to a judgment rendered by the District Court of said Douglas County, at its September term, A. D. 1894, in a certain action then and there pending, wherein J. B. Dickey was plaintiff, and Nicholas B. Heim, Margaret J. Heim and others were defendants. Dated Omaha, Nebraska, December 27, 1894. GEORGE W. HOLBROOK, Special Master Commissioner. Saunders, Macfarland & Dickey, Attorneys. Dickey vs. Heim, et al. Dec. 43, No. 231. 12-27-5

Special Master Commissioner's Sale.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale on decree of foreclosure of mortgage issued out of the district court for Douglas county, Nebraska, and to me directed, I will, on the 29th day of January, A. D. 1895, at 1 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the east front door of the county court house, in the city of Omaha, Douglas county, Nebraska, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the property described in said order of sale as follows, to-wit: Lots fifteen (15) and sixteen (16), Reed's Second addition to the city of Omaha, Douglas county, Nebraska. Said property to be sold to satisfy first out of the proceeds of the sale of lot sixteen (16) thirty-seven (37) feet of said lot sixteen (16) Thomas Whitaker, defendant herein, the sum of two thousand, four hundred, and six and 80/100 dollars (\$2,406.80) judgment, with interest on \$2,000 thereof at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum, and on \$406.80 thereof at rate of ten (10) per cent per annum, all from February 5th, 1894. To satisfy first out of the proceeds of the sale of the south thirty (30) feet of said lot sixteen (16) and north eighteen (18) feet of said lot fifteen (15), Robert Collier, defendant herein, the sum of two thousand, four hundred, six and 80/100 dollars (\$2,406.80) judgment, with interest on \$2,000 thereof at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum, and on \$406.80 thereof at rate of ten (10) per cent per annum, all from February 5th, 1894. To satisfy first out of the proceeds of the sale of the south nineteen (19) feet of said lot sixteen (16) and north eighteen (18) feet of said lot fifteen (15), David Marvin, defendant herein, the sum of two thousand, four hundred, six and 80/100 dollars (\$2,406.80) judgment, with interest on \$2,000 thereof at rate of seven (7) per cent per annum, and on \$406.80 thereof at rate of ten (10) per cent per annum, all from February 5th, 1894. To satisfy first out of the proceeds of the sale of the south thirty (30) feet of said lot sixteen (16) and north eighteen (18) feet of said lot fifteen (15), Charles E. Bates, plaintiff herein, the sum of four hundred, seventy-nine and 40/100 dollars (\$479.40) judgment, with interest thereon at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum from February 5th, 1894. In a certain action then and there pending, wherein Charles E. Bates was plaintiff, Orville E. Coombs, et al., were defendants. Omaha, Nebraska, December 28th, 1894. ISAAC N. WATSON, Special Master Commissioner. B. F. Thomas, attorney. Bates vs. Coombs, et al. Dec. 35, No. 322. 12-28-5

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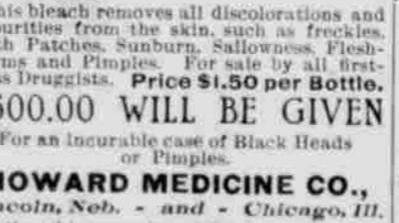
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