STILL THEY COME.

Thousands of New Subscrib ers Have Enlisted Under Our Banner

Since January 1st, and Unless the Reports From all Over the Country Are False, It is But the Beginning.

One month ago we published a few letters from friends in all sections of the country which tended to show, in a small way, the great and growing interest in a purer and truer Ameriescism. Since then we have received hundreds of letters enclosing lists of new subscribers. From among the number we have selected a few to show our friends how others feel about the work we are engaged in:

Stratton, Neb., Feb. 2 -- Enclosed find one dollar to pay for two copies of THE AMERICAN to 1897. I thought I would be able to send in a list of ten or more, but 50 cents is as hard to get as \$50 was four years ago. If there is any show for a crop by June 1st, will try and work up a list. Prospects are better now for a good crop than they have been at this time of the year since 1892. JONES.

Pierce, Neb., Feb. 20.-Please find enclosed 50 cents for THE | AMER-ICAN until January 1st, 1897, as advertised in a copy sent me by a brother from Iowa. Your work is all O K, and not built on wind as the Romanists would have us believe. Will try and get some subscribers in this locality. AN AMERICAN.

Peoria Ill., Feb. 5.-Your, liberal offer of placing your paper at so low a cost, considering quality and quantity is beyond most of its readers expectation. I have been a reader of your valuable paper for more athan two years, and I think it is just about the kind of paper all good Americans should have in their homes. Enclosed find price for one more subscriber. FRANK.

Kingsley, Ia., Feb. 8 .- Find enclosed postal note for \$2.50 to pay for five new subscribers to your paper. I hope to send in a large list soon, for I sincerely exponent of true Americanism ever published. Yours for America, the little red school house and free public schools the world over. SOLON.

Montrose, Colo., Feb. 11.-Am much pleased to see my letter in your last number of THE AMARICAN, and am also pleased to see how you are awakening the friends to the importance of supporting your paper which is advocating Americanism so fearlessly.

At our last coupcil meeting I secured

Peabody, Mass., Feb. 10 .-- I enclose money-order for \$5 50, for which please send THE AMERICAN until 1897 to the Its Unveiling in Statuary Hail Will be following parties. You are doing a

great work and should succeed. Visalia, Cal., Feb. 11 .- Enclosed find

postal order for \$5, for which please send THE AMERICAN to the persons named. I cent you list of fifteen some time ago. For these lists, if not in conflict with your rules, you may send me "If Christ Came to Congress." JOHN.

Bisbee, Arizona, Feb. 20.-I enclose money-order for \$5. Please send THE unveiling ceremonies will take place AMERICAN to December 31 to the foi- to morrow. This declaration caused lowing. You are on the right track. Keep things moving. JOE.

Ouis, Colo., Feb. 21.-I send you seven new names for your paper, to take advantage of your fifty-cent offer; and I also wish to renew my own subscription (which I believe expires in March) at the same rate. Enclosed find draft red for ten days. TRICK.

for \$4.

Madison, Neb., Jan. 29.-Having obyour great offer, I wish to be one of your subscribers. I never before realour nation. There is a large number of friends whom I wish to have see will subscribe and spread the good work you are doing-the informing of Protestants of their danger. Shall I send you their names? and will you send to them sample copies? Or, will you send to me a package of back numbers, that I may send to these acare just as much in need of an "eyeopener" as I was. Hoping your paper reach every home in the United States in a short time, I am

A PHYSICIAN. Enclosed please find 50 cts for paper.

The Handiwork of Rome.

Perhaps a great many of our readers are not aware that the hand of Rome has been guilty of burning out a good, loyal citizen of our country, but such is the case. When the A. P. A. council was organized in Arcata several law-abiding citizens of that place received anonymous letters containing serious threats, and among those receiving the letters was J. H. Bracken. It contained a threat something like think your paper the best and truest this: "If you don't resign as presidency of the A. P. A. your house will go up in smoke or you will be found dead on the road," Mr. Bracken living some little distance from town. Some time after, while he and his wife were away

from home, and their children at home and in bed, their home "went up in smoke," thus fulfilling that part of the threat, and nearly burning their children at the same time. This is merely a sample of the "law and order club" of the Catholic church and its Jesuitical instruction. After the burning Mr. the enclosed names of friends who are Bracken placed the Stars and Stripes

THE AMERICAN.

THE MARQUETTE STATUE.

Opposed in Congress. WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.-A hard fight on the Pere Marquette

statue, which Wisconsin wants to erect in Statuary hall, will be started in congress tomorrow. The statue now (stands velled in Statuary hall. Senator Mitcheil, who is naturally interested in Wisconsin's statuary, announced yesterday that the unveiling ceremonies would not take place for two weeks. This morning a local paper declares that the dedication and

Mr. Linton, of Michigan, to rise in the house to-day and declare that he intended to try to stop it. Senator Mitchell was seen to-night. He said that the plans in no way had been changed and that the unveiling

positively; would not take place tomorrow and probably would be defer-Although the senator is exceedingly

careful anot to say so, it seems that everybody is trying to dodge responsitained a copy of your paper, and seeing bility in the matter of the Marquette statue. Opponents of the statue say it is that of a Catholic priest, who wears ized what a calamity was approaching in his belt a crucifix and a rosary. They add that the fact that the statue is that of a [Jesuit does not improve your paper, and am in hopes they, too, matters any in the eyes of those who oppose the statue. The fact is that the American Protective Association. generally known as the A. P. A., is taking an active interest in having the statue removed from Statuary hall Mr. Linton made the claim today that Wisconsin had ao right to place the quaintances and friends whom I believe statue in Statuary hall, as Pere Marquette was neither a dweller in Wiscodsin nor a citizen of the United of brave and timely information may States. This point, however, was brought up before and by a concurrent resolution in the fifty-third congress Wisconsin was given permission to place a statue of Father Marquette in Statuary hall. Whether this permission can now be withdrawn is what is interesting a great many men in congress who object to the statue.

The statue has now been standing, veiled, in Statuary hall for a week and nobody seems to know when it is going to be dedicated. The announcement printed here this morning gave a list of men who are said to be on the program to speak, and declared that President Cleveland and Cardinal Gibbons intended to be present. The use of the president's name, it seems, was unauthorized, and most of the men mentioned have been going around to-day declaring they knew nothing about the Marquette statue.

Before anything definite can be ac complished it is necessary for the governor of Wisconsin to officially notify the speaker of the house and the presi dent of the senate that the state of Wisconsin, according to its right, had placed in Statuary hall a statue of one of its great men. It is usual for the governor of a state to ask that a day be set aside in both house and senate anxious to receive the paper scon and on top of the chimney which survived for appropriate exercises. When such which I send with the money (\$5) and the flames to show that although his a letter is received it has been usual for the two branches to set aside a day when eulogies on the subject of the statue are delivered in both houses. Governor Upham, of Wisconsin, has so far failed to send in any letter or to father the statue in any way. It is understood that he has delegated his powers to J. W. Losa of La Crosse, but this cannot be verified. It is, however, certain that the committee is having its own troubles getting prominent men to deliver addresses at the dedication. It was announced to-day that Senator Palmer and Senator Cullom had both been asked to speak and would probably accept. Both men say they have received no official request to speak. The statue of Pere Marquette was suggested to the Wisconsin legislature by State Senator George C. Ginty in 1887. It at first met with little favor, but Catholics took the matter up strongly and the legislature finally appropriated \$8,000 for the purpose of erecting a statue. As the result of a competition Signor Trentonove was awarded the contract by Governor Peck in 1894. The statue, as completed, is the most imposing of the collection in Statuary hall. It towers head and shoulders above the others, and this is not the least point of its offense in the eyes of its opponents. So splendid is the appearance of the figure that the claim is made that it cost far more than the \$8,000 appropriated by the Wisconsin legislature. It may be that it will at length be unveiled and dedicated to the United States, but if it can by any legislative means be removed from the capitol Mr. Linton, of Michigan, and a large number of his friends in congress propose to have it done.

father to administer extreme unction. four attendants, each having a lighted tallow candle, two inches in diameter and about three feet in length, are sent after a priest. As soon as he is found, he summons four other men and four boys, all of whom are properly robed and equipped for the procession. To one of the robed boys is given a large bell, which is supported in a framework which fits over the shoulders and rests on the breast. He leads the procession, and followed by the four men with candles, they are followed by the priest under a large canopy supported on the shoulders of the four men be longing to the priest. Beneath this canopy may be seen two of the boys holding up the robes of the priest, one on each side, while the third boy walks immediately in front of the priest, beneath the canopy, swinging a censer full of burning incense. This is the procession. The bell-ringer in front keeps the bell ringing from the priest's residence until the home of the sick man is reached. The purpose of the

bell is to announce the coming of the priest and to clear the streets of all heretics and infidels until the procession has passed. Should any heretic or non-Catholic be caught between cross-streets, so that he can not get out of the streets on which the procession is passing, he must kneel like a faithful Catholic until the procession is past. Should he refuse to kneel, he is knocked down and dragged out as was the Presbyterian minister last June in New Mexico for not kneeling to the Corpus-Christi procession. This is Catholicism in Venezuela, and in New Mexico beneath the Stars and Stripes!

Trinidad is a small island off the coast of Venezuela. From the Catholic News of that island, I clipped the following comments on the American Bible Society work in Venezuela. Let Americans read, reflect and then resolve to raise the black flag of intolerance to the arch-enemy of civil and religious liberty, who would treat our Bible societies here with the same "tar and feathers" recommended to the faithful in Venezuela.

The Catholic News, of Trinidad, says: "That most pernicious of all pernicious sects-the Protestant Bible Society- is again at its murderous work. Its false prophets are galvanized into temporary activity, and this time it is the "benighted" Catholics of Spanish America who are to have the peace of their homes invaded and the sanctity of their religion vilified by psalm-singing twaddlers, gospel tramps, and ignorant hirelings who are about as com-

petent to explain the Word of God as a Hottentot is to lecture on bimetalism. gathers into its coffers the savings of dyspeptic old maids, these self-constituted apostles, laymon clothed in clerical garb, carry on an infamous traffic in a Bible which they can not understand, and yet profess to explain to the addlepated dupes who are weak enough to listen to them. All honor, then, to the

**** Mrs. 1. M. Barnes, 37 Medford St., Medford, Mass., writes on Jan "It would be difficult for me to find language to describe my suffer years before taking your Dr. Kay's Renovator. Several physicians pe case one of Nervous Dyspepsis and Nervous Prostration. tion, excitement or worry would cause great prostration, extreme headache, indigestion and severe vomiting which at times kept up of two or three days in spite of all my physicians could do. I became feed and lost nearly all of my hair, the top of my head being entirely fered isrribily with my stomach, being unable to direct anything. I physicians without getting any relief. Finally last August a friend Kay's Renovator and I began to improve as soon as I took it and the wonderful. No one was ever benefited more than I nor could they be ful for such a panances as Dr. Kay's Renovator as my physicians could As soon as I began to improve my hair began to grow and now it is info-

Dr. Kay's Renovator

DOSES int by mail on receipt of prises and many say it is worth BOOD BY DRUGGISTS

SHERMAN & McCONNELL, 1513 Dodge Street, OMAHA, NEB.

HOW IS THIS, WORCESTER! Romanists Furnished Money by Protes-

tants to Buy Arms. A correspondent writes:

"On Tuesday, February 18, I called pon a friend who is one of the proprietors of a small retail store, and, as usual, the conversation drifted to the doings of Rome. the following is what he said, as near as I can remember:

"'I was standing looking out of the front window Saturday! night about 7 o'clock, when a very, gentlemanly-appearing young man came in and asked if I was the proprietor. I said I was one of them.

"'I have,' said the stranger, 'been appointed by a committee to solicit money to build an armory, and I have have had success beyond all expectation. Here is the list. Will you kindly help us? Of course there is, a law at present forbidding us to bear arms, but we are going' to repeal that. Our three members are working hard with that end in view.'

"All the time this conversation was going on, my friend was reading the list of names, which were generally Protestants, who gave from five to]twentyfive dollars. Think of that, from the leading houses in this city to St. Ann's Armory!"-Boston Citizen.

MARRIAGE LAWS IN PERU Illegal Unless a Roman Catholic Priest Officiates.

Methodist ministers at their weekly meeting Monday, Feb. 24, considered the question of ereligious liberty in Ecuador, Peru and "Bolivia, where These paid emissaries of a society that Protestants before Cthey can legally marry must become Roman Catholics. The Rev. John Lee, chairman of the Committee on Religious Liberty for Protestants in South America, called attention to three communications written by Cardinal Rampolla, papal secretary of state, Secretary of State Olney and Mr. Bentin. JMr. Lee called Catholics of South America who have Cardinal Gibbons' attention to the matexpelled the evangelical carpet-bag- ter some time ago, and the cardinal gers. The priest , and people of Span- forwarded the letter to the papal secish America will not remain passive retary of state. In his report yester-

department has no precise information as to the laws of Peru. Ecuador and Bolivia concerning this subject. No case has been brought to the attention of the department where a citizen of the United States has been discriminated against in the manner indicated. and, in the absence of a specific case calling for its action, the department does not feel called upon to express an opinion in the matter. I am, sir, your obedient servant, RICHARD OLNEY." The report gave the particulars of

the case of F. A. Hazeltine and Miss Annie Wood, daughter of Dr. Thomas Wood, a Methodist Episcopal minister, who were married last May in Callao. Though every possible means was taken to comply with the laws of civil registration the latter was refused on the grounds that there had been no legal marriage.

Mr. Lee's report referred to the letter of Mr. Bentin, giving information of the judicial decree printed in one of the leading papers last December declaring it a penal offense for any one in that country to marry without observing the ceremonies of the Roman Catholic church. This, said Mr. Lee, was part of the information for which the papal secretary wrote the apostolic delegate in Peru.

To Be Cut Out and Kept.

The Roman Catholic papers are circulating the following item:

The military committee of the United States Senate which unanimously reported in Colonel Coppinger's favor and turned down the A. P. A.'s. s composed of distinguished representatives of both parties. Nearly all of them have war records. They are:

Major-General Joseph R. Hawley. Redfield Procter, late secretary of war and colonel of the 15th Vermont. Geo. L. Shoup, ex-governor of Idaho and colonel of the 3d Colorado cavalry. Gen. Wm. J. Sewell, of New Jersey,

who carries a wound from Gettysburg. Francis E. Warren, of Wyoming, a Massachussetts soldier in the war.

Jno. N. Palmer, of Illinois, late major-general in the Union Army. Jno. L. Mitchell, of Wisconsin, who served in the 24th regiment of that state.

trust you will send me a receipt as soon as you can conveniently.

If at any time you wish to publish anything I send, you are at liberty to use my name freely, as I am not ing the name with words too vile to reashamed of belonging to the grandest organization on the globe, whose object is the elevation and uplifting of humanity, freeing them from the pope's Eureka, California. bondage. Wishing you all success in your work, I remain. Yours,

F. M. BECKWITH.

Applington, Ja., Feb. 8.-I enclose you express order for \$3.00 for six more new subscribers, and still there's more to follow We heartily appreciate the stand taken by THE AMERICAN on presidential candidates and are with you to the finish. R.C.

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 10 - Enclosed find check for \$6.00 for which please send your paper, as per your offer, for the balance of 1896, to the names and ad-WILL. dresses given telow.

Elmira, N. Y., Feb. 23-Enclosed please find \$1.00 for two subscriptions to January 1, 1897, for THE AMERICAN. Other names will be sent shortly. Now let the good work go on, trusting success may crown your efforts.

MRS. S. J.

Reading, Pa., Feb. 24.-THE AMERIthe P. O. S. of A. and P. O. of T. A. should be ended. camps in this state. Send a sample copy to each address and the price will do the rest. Yours in the cause. A. LABORINGMAN.

Isle of Hope, Chatham county, G. A. THE AMERICAN till January 1897. The thousand members, and they are still coming. Let the good work for freedom go on.

home was gone his love for Old Glory remained. Only last week one supporter of the green rag was overheard t say to another: "Bracken (prefixpeat) had lots of nerve to put that flag up after he was burned out." And Rome again goes unpunished .- Citizen.

The above account is true except as to the family being away from home. A correspondent says the family were at home, asleep, and that the children

were barely rescued from the burning building by the father, who was severely burned about his bands, feet and shoulders by falling embers and burning rafters.

We commend this treatment of Mr. Bracken to those sleepy Protestants who can see no danger in Romanism.

Convents.

While in the study of a pestor in the far west. I listened with interest to an incident which he related and which took place in a town where he attended

seminary, several years ago. There was a large convent near the seminary, and the Protestants were patronizing the convent school. An escaped nun, who had been lecturing against the convent, delivered a lecture in the church near the seminary building.

The Irish came to defend their convent by strong arguments-stones-and CAN received, and it is "just right." I the windows of the Protestant church am certainly with you, but at present were broken to pieces, and the carriage can't do much as I am working up to in which the lecturer rode after the 10 p. m. I send you \$1.00 with the lecture to the house of the pastor was names of two of my shop-mates. You shot at and stoned. After this lecture will please send them the paper as the Protestants left the convent sesoon as possible. I also enclose the verely alone. The escaped nun proved address of the recording secretaries of that cellbacy and the convent system A. Z.

Don't Want the Statue.

PEORIA, Ill., February 26 .- With three cheers and a tiger the state con-

vention of the A. P. A., in session here, adopted a resolution to-day protesting Feb. 25.-As per advertised in A. P. against placing a statue of "The Jesuit A. Magazine, I enclose 50 cents for priest, Pere Marquette," which the olicism in Venezuela. State of Wisconsin has presented to the cause is flourishing in Savanah. Five general government, among those of councils and another organizing; two American statesmen, and instructing thousand members and they are still the secretary to notify the Illinois confer free-DICK. gressmen of such action. C. P. John-son, of Springfield, was re-elected presi-dent by a large majority.

Catholic Venezuela.

For the benefit of those Americans who are excited over the Monroe doctrine, misapplied to the Venezuela boundary dispute, I wish to give the readers of the Eagle a glimpse of Cath-

> On the streets of Caraccas, the capital, no scene is more frequently re pested than the following:

When a Catholic of even moderate means finds himself dangerously sick and needing at his bed-side some holy

while the slimy serpents of heresy en- day Mr. Lee says:

into the souls of their little ones. If letter to Cardinal Gibbons says: 'A the Venezuelans are ignorant of any- letter written to your eminence by Mr. thing, it is the use of tar and feathers, Lee of Chicago has reference to a state a judicious application of which would of things sole'y dependent upon the be sufficient to keep the brawling ran- civil laws in force in the republics of ters of the Bible Society at a safe dis- Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador states. tance from their shores."

Americans, what think you of Catholicism in Venezuela? Has not our advances toward the old woman to stop short of espousing the cause of Venezuela against our Protestant motherland? Has not the Catholic vote been tied on to the present administration sufficiently by the numerous important appointments made by Grover Cleveland to render unnecessary the Venezuelan message? Or must the Democratic party go on in its wild career of courting the old lady until there is not left one Catholic in all this land who will vote the Republican ticket? Be it so? Amen! So be it .- C. C. Cline, in Cincinnati Eagle.

A Scheme.

There are many who are worried Armenian Protestants in Turkey. It seems to me that there is a plan. The these letters from the papal secretary Roman Catholic archbishop is said to of state." have conferences with the sultan; and I believe the Christian people of the

world are very slow to take the hint that they want money, and I believe that if they were offered a liberal sum of spondulix the war would stop immediately. They want "backsheesh," but the Christians are so terribly slow to take the hint that many of the "infidel dogs" are killed. It might be a wise thing to ask the sultan, or this archhishop, what the price is, and it might be wise to give it, and it might be wise to put it into the hands of those whose relatives and friends they have murdered, and let them settle with R. E. O.

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deavors to imprint its poisonous fangs "The papal secretary of state in a

Nevertheless, as your eminence has been pleased to communicate to me such letter, I have written to the aposgovernment gone far enough in making tolic delegate in the above-named republics to obtain precise information concerning the laws, which affect the condition of Protestants there as regards both the exercise of their rcligion and the celebration of marriages.' And then is given the assurance he will call the attention of the holy see to the information the delegate will send. Nine months have passed since this letter was written. During this time three registered letters have been sent to Cardinal Rampolls reminding him of his promise to 'call the attention of the holy see to the information which; the aforesaid delegate will send,' and asking him to communicate with the committee the decision which the pope has reached in about the murdering of the innocent this matter. Not a sentence has the committee received in reply to any of

> Last August a letter was addressed by the committee to President Cleveland The result of that communication was the following letter:

"DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASH-INGTON, September 10, 1895-The Rev. John Lee-Dear Sir: The president has caused to be referred to this department your letter of the 13th ult. in which you say Protestant citizens in Ecuador, Peru and Bolivia are unable to be legally married unless they aban don their religious convictions and become Roman Catholics. You further state a committee was appointed by the Chicago Methodist minister's meeting of April, 1894, to invite the pope's attention to this matter and request him to secure for Protestants in those countries the same liberty of conscience

that is enjoyed by the Roman Catholics of this country. You enclose a copy of Line," through train, Pullman Palace a letter from Cardinal Gibbons and ask Sleepers, Dining Car, everything for an expression of opinion concerning strictly first-class. Leave Webster the matter. In reply I have to say the street station 5:45 p. m. daily.

W. B. Bate, of Tennessee, ex-majorgeneral in the Confederate army. E. C. Walthall, of Mississippi, major-

general in the Confederate army. S. W. Elkins, of West Virginia.

F. M. Cockrell, of Missouri.

Failed to Get on the "Foorce."

Commissioner-George B. Forrester of the Department of Police 'and Excise, Brooklyn, is a disgusted man. He had a faithful follower whom he wanted placed on the police force. With his political influence he believed this was an easy matter. It might have been had it not been for the civil service examination. When the list of men who had passed the civil service examination was published a few days ago Commissioner Forrester carelessly looked over the names. He missed the name of his political protege. He then put on his glasses, after wiping them carefully, and went over the list extremely carefully, but the name was not there.

"O, it's only a mistake," said he to himself, "the name has been left off accidentally."

The excise commissioner called on Commissioner Welles for an 'explanation. Mr. Welles simply referred Mr. Forrester to his protege's examination papers. Here are some of the questions and answers:

Q-Who is the governor of New York state? A .- Grover Cleveland. Q.-Who is mayor of New York city? A .- Richard Croker.

Q .- What is the northeastern state of the union? A.-Africa.

Q.-What states border on the Mississipi? A.-The Hudson.

Q-What is the usual process of dealing with a prisoner from the time of his arrest until his conviction? A .- One month.

Q .- Who appoints the police commissioner? A .- Mr. Welles.- New York Times

