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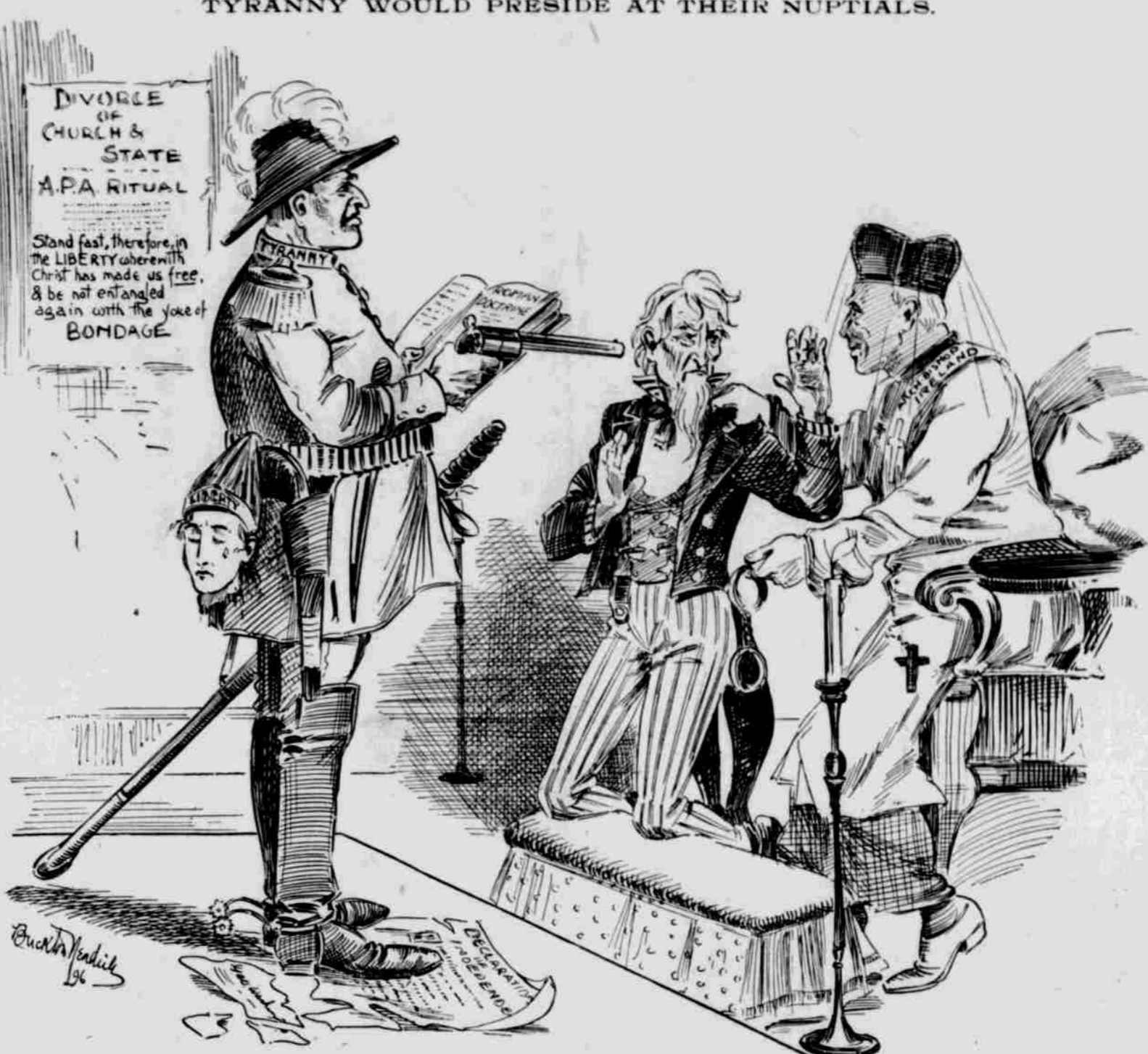
Dispatches for and Against the Advisory Board of the A. P. A.

Editorial Opinions Culled From Papers in Various Parts of the Country.

The dispatches and opinions which follow are offered without any comment: The American Eagle of Cincinnati, Ohio, publishes the following extracts from the speeches of Major McKinley, which may be of interest to the friends of that gentleman: ON ARBITRATION.—"I believe, Mr. Chairman, in arbitration as a principle; I believe it should prevail in the settlement of international differences. It represents a higher civilization than the arbitrament of war. I believe it is the true way of settling differences between labor and capital; I believe it will bring both to a better understanding, uniting them closer in interest, and promoting better relations, avoiding unjust exactions and oppression, avoiding the loss of earnings to labor, avoiding disturbances to trade and transportation; and if this house can contribute in the smallest measure, by legislative expression or otherwise, to these ends, it will deserve and receive the gratitude of all men who love peace, good order, justice and fair play."

OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.—"An open school-house, free to all, evidences the highest type of advanced civilization. It is the gateway to progress, prosperity and honor, and the best security for the liberties and independence of the people. It is the strongest rock of the foundation, the most enduring stone of the temple of liberty, our surest stay in every storm, our present safety, our future hope—aye, the very citadel of our influence and power. It is better than garrison and guns, than forts and fleets. An educated people, governed by true moral principles, can never take a backward step, nor be dispossessed of their citizenship or liberties. * * * It is supported with boundless generosity by the people of the state, open to the children of the humblest citizen or exiled sojourner within our gates, as freely and ungrudgingly as to the native-born, or the children of the most opulent. Within its jurisdiction all distinctions, social, political and religious, are banished; all differences hushed; all barriers removed. It recognizes neither party nor church, creed, condition nor station, but free as the air we breathe; its bounties and benefits fall in equal measure upon all. * * * I congratulate you most heartily upon the grand opportunities to which you are invited, and the matchless age in which you live. I enjoin you to improve the one and appreciate the responsibilities and inspiration of the other. Never country had such a fortune, as men speak of fortune, as this—in its resources, its history and majestic possibilities. Make every effort to put yourself in the line of your country's possibilities. Make every sacrifice to embrace the advantages so freely afforded you by the state."

FOREIGN IMMIGRATION.—"On the subject of foreign immigration the Republican party of Ohio is fearless and outspoken. It leads in platform expression upon this question; and it is gratifying to know that every Republican convention held since has met the question in the line of the Ohio declaration. * * * Now the general question must be met and solved. It will not come at once; time, patience and thought will be required. * * * The sentiment of Ohio Republicans is so clearly expressed in their platform that I venture to read it to you at length. Here it is: "While we adhere to the public policy under which our country has received great bodies of honest, industrious citizens, who have added to the wealth, progress and power of the country; and while we welcome to our shores the well-disposed and industrious immigrant who contributes by his energy and intelligence to the cause of free government, we view with alarm unrestricted immigration from foreign lands as dangerous to the peace and good order of the country, and the integrity and character of its citizenship. We urge congress to pass such laws and establish such regulations as shall protect us from the inroads of the anarchist, the communist, the polygamist,



It will be a sad day for Uncle Sam if he take to wife "the Mother of Abominations." He will have no say in the conduct of his household evermore.

the fugitive from justice, the insane, the dependent pauper, the vicious and criminal classes, contract labor in every form, under any name or guise, and all others who seek our shores, not to become a part of our civilization and citizenship, who acknowledge no allegiance to our laws, no sympathy with our aims and institutions, but who come among us to make war upon society, to diminish the dignity and rewards of American workmen, and to degrade our labor to their level. Against all these our gates should be closed. "This declaration requires no explanation or argument, it speaks for itself; it embodies the best sentiment of the country of every political faith, for it is based upon justice to all, and looks to the highest welfare of all. If it can be embodied into practical legislation, it will go far toward removing many of the evils which exist in society; will secure the peace and good order of the country, and insure the continued happiness, freedom, independence and advancement of the people."

denounces them without qualification; and Whereas, W. W. Lanning, of Ohio, a member of the order, alluded to as one of the members whom Governor McKinley declined to appoint to office because of his prominence in the American Protective Association, appeared at this caucus to testify to the utter falsity of said statements, as well as to the baseless character of other statements in said circular concerning the attitude of Governor McKinley toward the order in Ohio; and Whereas, C. E. Sapp, state president of the order in Kentucky, and a member of the National Advisory Board, appeared at this caucus to controvert the same and other statements contained in this circular; and Whereas, Neither the president of the order in Illinois, nor any officer of the order, state or national, appeared at said caucus to defend or substantiate the statements and accusations set forth in said circular; therefore be it Resolved, That we, the A. P. A. delegates to the state Republican convention, assembled in caucus, hereby declare it to be our firm conviction that our state president has, in a virulent attack upon Major McKinley, assailed with baseless accusations the good name and untarnished character of the foremost statesman of the day, who has endeared himself to all classes, and especially to the toiling millions, by his unselfish devotion to American principles on the field of battle and in every civic position in which he has served during his long and honorable public career; and be it further Resolved, That we, the A. P. A. delegates to this convention, hereby denounce the efforts referred to, made here and elsewhere by officers of this order, to discredit the candidacy of William McKinley and to bring him into disrepute without the order, as a most unworthy and disreputable proceeding, and we call upon the American Protective Association the land over to stamp it with their disapproval and the seal of a righteous indignation. (Signed) H. E. CHARLES, S. B. KERR, Chairman, Peoria, Ill. Secretary, Metropolis, Ill.

CHURCH TAKES A HAND. Roman Catholics Active in Manitoba School Matters. MONTREAL, May 14.—Excellent authority gives the gist of the much-talked of mandament which is to be read in the Catholic churches with regard to the Manitoba school question. The deliverance has the approval of the Vatican. The mandament will be promulgated in the ecclesiastical provinces of Montreal, Quebec and Ot-

awa. In the other provinces of Canada the bishops will give the utterance individual approval and privately instruct their flocks to carry out its directions. First the mandament will state that the domain of education is one that comes under the teaching of the gospel, and that the clergy have the authority in that domain. Next will come a recital of the facts in the Manitoba school case. Deep regret will be expressed for the division of Catholics over the remedial bill. The duty of the representatives of the people, with reference to Christian education, will then be touched upon, and the reason will be given why every Catholic member should vote for the remedial bill. The duty of the Catholic electors will be laid down to vote only for those candidates who are so pledged. It will be stated that if such support is withheld it will cause a grievous error for which they will be held spiritually responsible. WON BY BEN MCKINLEY. Father Yorke's Prize Goes to a Cousin of the Presidential Candidate. A cousin of William McKinley, the Republican candidate for the presidency and apostle of protection, won the silver medal for the best essay at the quarterly rally of the League of the Cross of the district north of Market street yesterday. Essays were read by representatives of the league from each of the five parishes in the district in a competition to decide who should represent them in the competition which is to take place for the gold medal offered by the archbishop. Native Sons' Hall, where the meeting was held, was crowded with members of the league and their relatives and friends. The exercises were under the supervision of Father Yorke, who had offered the silver medal for the best essay on the subject of "Temperance." J. J. Gildea introduced D. I. Mahoney as chairman of the meeting, after which the audience sang "Veni Creator." An interesting program was presented, including songs by Miss Catherine Black, S. J. Sandy, H. J. Elnan, Miss Norah C. Kirby, recitations by Miss Gonzalez and Miss Maggie Campbell, the essays and an address on the subject of the essays by the Rev. P. E. Mulligan, the archbishop's secretary. The essays were delivered by Private Rudolph Ruoff of St. Francis' parish, Corporal Benjamin McKinley of Cathedral parish, William Enright of Holy Cross, Corporal Joseph Carew of Sacred Heart, and Sergeant James Toohy of St. Bridget's.

THE SUPREME COUNCIL.

It Meets in Washington and Transacts Much Business.

Only Meagre Reports Given to the Press for Publication—Newspaper Correspondents Believe the Advisory Board Will be Censured.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 3.—Every indication points to an absolute repudiation by the supreme council of the A. P. A., now in session in this city, of the action taken by the executive committee of the advisory board against McKinley's candidacy. There has been much feeling expressed over the matter and the executive committee has been severely criticised, but the members of that body have not given any indication of a backdown, and meet the criticisms with intimations that those composing the supreme council are endeavoring to get in line with his friends since McKinley has shown such strength. The trouble in the organization has been intensified by the action of the executive committee of the advisory board this evening in presenting to the board a report adhering to its anti-McKinley decision. The meeting of the board was the most important event of the day. A member of the executive committee said to-night that the report which the executive committee presented to the advisory board is in accord with the statement made public at the time McKinley was blacklisted. He also said that the action of the committee was based on affidavits made by prominent Ohio men.

It is likely that the advisory board will censure the executive committee. This will take the question of McKinley's repudiation out of the hands of the supreme council and will allow the advisory board to make another report to the convention. There is no doubt, however, that the question of McKinley's candidacy will be discussed by the supreme body and, as stated, the attack on McKinley will be discarded. But before getting down to the main question, the convention will have to consider a motion which will be made to-morrow, referring the subject of the executive committee's action and the position of the A. P. A. toward McKinley to a special committee for investigation. This motion will provide that the special committee shall report on all candidates for presidential honors.

The most important matter before the convention of the supreme council to-day was the reading of the annual message of Supreme President Traynor. It took E. H. Dumbor of Boston, the supreme secretary of state, an hour and three quarters to deliver it. Most of the message dealt with the internal business affairs of the order, such as the relations of local and superior councils and the authority of one over the other. The interesting part was that concerning the political situation. It was generally supposed among the delegates that the message would censure the executive committee of the advisory board for its attack on McKinley. It is said to-night that the censure was not given.

Supreme President Traynor appointed G. W. Van Fossen of Washington state, J. Colin Moore of Alabama, J. J. Rhodes of Vermont, E. Dorille of Ohio and C. E. Sapp of Kentucky, as a committee to consider and report on the message. Other reports were also read. That of Supreme Secretary Beatty said that 963 charters for new councils had been issued during the last year.

A resolution debaring from the convention members of the A. P. A. who are not delegates to the supreme council caused a long discussion at to-day's session. The claim was made by its opponents that the secret proceedings sanctioned by the order savored too much of the star chamber to be American. This matter was not decided and will be given further consideration. A lively canvass is being conducted for the supreme presidency. Dr. Ford, a prominent member, who went back to his home in New York; Judge Bowers of Iowa and E. H. Dumbor of Boston, are considered the leading candidates. State President Echols of Georgia is also spoken of for the office. He is a Democrat, and some of the members think his selection would dispose of possible embarrassment arising (Continued on page 4.)