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Hypocrisy-Popery.

Treason-Romanism.

Is John Ireland dead? He is so still

What is a Spanish spy? Always a Roman Catholic.

God is never on the same side with the pope of Rome.

The Irish-but what's the use, they are but spawn and are brought into the world for noother purpose than to do the man bidding of the priests.

Austria has now asked the pope to mediate between Spain and the United States. Francis Joseph and the pope had better keep their fingers out of our affairs or they will go to keep com pany with the Spanish fleet which met Dewey. The Monroe doctrine is still in force. No foreign interference will be tolerated.

We are anxious about Dewey and his fleet. Can it be that Spain has sent out false reports. If she has the truth will soon be known, and if the United States has not won a signal victory the government should re-enforce Dewey and make the next battle even more one-sided than the Spanish reports indicate the first conflict was

A dispatch to a daily paper says the "clerks" in the City of Mexico who had arranged to hold a meeting for the purpose of raising money and working up sympathy for Spain, were denied the for those pestiferous individuals everywhere in the world are for Spain.

That excellent poem which Eliza A. Pittsinger wrote especially for THE AMERICAN and which appears in this issue, gives one an idea of the style of poetry that goes to make up the contents of "Bugle Peals," which she has published and which we are selling for 25 cents. If you want strong, stirring,

This paper has, from what we consider an absolutely reliable source, information that goes to prove that the Roman Catholic church in this country is an ally of Spain. It comes to us that the members of that church in South Omaha have, at the request of the church, contributed to a fund which was to be used to help Spain. The government can learn of something to its advantage by calling on us.

With ninety per cent of the Irish Roman Catholics of Ireland in sympathy with Spain at the present time it shows that Roman Catholics are ever ready to oppose a Protestant nation when it is at war with a Roman Catholic power, no matter how much they owe the Protestant nation for assistance when they were starving and dying. The United States has done enough for the bog trotters to entitle it to their sympathy at least.

One of our friends in Chicago writes us that he witnessed a scene on the Forty-eighth street branch of the Metropolitan West Side Elevated Railway, Monday evening, May 2nd, at 6 p. m. which shows which way the wind was blowing. A big brawny Irish Roman Catholic loudly asserted that "there would have been no war if it was not for the G-d-d Protestant bastards." An Amercan took the fuss up, declaring that "Leo, the - - bannana peddler had better keep his dirty mug out of the business of the American people or there would be a great deal more trouble for traitors like he showed the people. himself to be." There were a great many more strong words used as they commenced to square off for a fight. The men made a few passes and broke a car window before the guards were able to separate the combatants. Then the Protestant invited the Roman and his friends to get off at Marshfield Ave. and he would wipe up the street with them. But they had had enough of the Protestant.

RIGHT WILL PREVAIL.

the position taken by THE AMERICAN which costs the people money. during the city and county campaigns of 1897. The approval of the referce's findings, which will no doubt be made at the next sitting of the court, May 17 and the writ of ouster that will follow and thus dispossess Frank E. Moores of an office to which he should never have been elected will, we trust, be the be ginning of a new regime in local munipal government. Boodlerism has received a fatal blow. The contest which has come to this happy conclusion was more bitter and lasting than any that has taken place in Douglas county, and it will be a feature demanding the attention of future historians. While Mr. Broatch deserves a great

deal of credit for refusing to surrender the high office of mayor to a who has now been adjudged criminal, there is another man who is deserving of even a greater meed of praise. That man is M. H. Redfield. He was the pioneer of the opposition. At the risk of being politically ostracised he charged Mr. Moores, both before and subsequent to his nomination to the office of mayor, with being a defaulter, and warned all against investing Moores with official authority through which he could organize a reign of official corruption never dreamed of even by Boss Tweed Contrary to the excellent advice and the earnest protestation of Mr. Redfield the Roman church through its bishop and its financial agent, Creighton, succeeded in foisting upon this city one of its most corrupt, dishonest and immoral of its citizens as its chief executive, who, did the county attorney do his duty, would today be breaking rock for the state in a striped suit instead of appealing to the courts to arrest judgment in a case that says in unmistakable language that he wilfully and maright to assemble. We believe that liciously defaulted. The people owe word "clerks" should have read clerics Mr. Redfield a debt of gratitude-more than that, they owe him an apology for electing such a man as Moores, then at the dictation of Moores and Rosewater defeating him (Redfield) for re-election, thereby placing a premium on dishonesty, and serving notice on all public servants that they must not expose political criminals who are seeking positions of honor and trust if they want to be re-elected to office. Mayor Broatch could pay a graceful tribute to a cour-American poetry get a copy of her ageous, honest, capable and efficient respect of thousands of Omaha's best citizens if he would ask Mr. Redfield to take some responsible position in the city service. There will be no position within his gift which Mr. Redfield could not fill with credit and profit to

REDFIELD TO THE PEOPLE.

We print below some extracts from the letters, interviews and speeches of M. H. Redfield during the long contest which has culminated in the findings of Referee Clements in the Broatch-Moores case. The contest did not involve the mere question of what individual should hold the office of mayor. It was a supreme effort to overthrow boodlerism and crookedness in public affairs and to this extent is hardly paralelled in the history of municipal governments anywhere for many years:

No political calamity would be equal to the election of Frank E. Moores as

The people have been plundered long enough. It is time that some spoke

The brand of Cain should be placed upon every public official who betrays a public trust.

The prevailing sentiment that anything gotten from the public, no matter how it comes, is honest, should be con-

I believe that the best service a partizan officeholder can render his party is to faithfully serve the interests of

The leaders of a great party have forced the issue along the lines of common honesty. The responsibility is

The party powers have passed into the hands of party bosses, who lacked either the discretion or the courage to do their duty.

There should be the widest publicity realms of faucy there is ample justifica-

The findings of Referce Clements in secrecy. It is the insidious influence Optimistic and conservative by nature

If there is a doubter in this room let him go to the court house and satisfy himself by an inspection of those public records. And for rebelling against this condition I am made the target for critism, ridicule and abuse

. . . The regret I have in this whole matter is that circumstances placed me where I had a very unpleasant duty to perform. I repeat now what I said at the time the controversy arose, that my political future must take care of itself. No party machine can sway me.

If strong men and honest men who would take the people into their confidence, could be brought to the front and kept there-men who would demand fair dealing and the crushing out of chicanery and crookedness and ring rule, the cause of complaint would be

The professional lobbyist and manipulator is seen in every walk of life. In nearly every subdivision of the government there is a trained body of men who trade upon their party influence and the ultimate goal and object is to directly or indirectly draw money from the public treasury.

It is a known fact that I supported the Republican party in the last presidential campaign. The platform was pledged to international bimetallism. I do not approve the construction that was given to the platform by some parties after election, for I do not believe there can be permanent prosperity with gold as the only primary money.

On the 23rd of August 1897 I decided to become an independent candidate for county clerk. I did so to force an issue against a corrupt combination. I did so because Edward Rosewater, who was prime mover and manager in the nomination of Frank E. Moores to the office of mayor of Omaha was recently scheming and plotting my defeat in the Republican county convention. * * I should have made this campaign as been indorsed.

I was aware that when I refused to withdraw the charges of rascality and defalcation against a protege of Mr. Rosewater's that I took my reputation with opposition from Rosewater in every possible form, and it il'ustrates what I have contended that it is absolutely necessary to divorce Mr. Rosewater's nefarious influence from public affairs, for the reason that he uses the columns of his paper to intimidate public officials from doing their duty, when in so doing it conflicts with his wishes

or his interests.

My fellow citizens, I ask you for the time being to forget that you are partisans, and when you have dismissed that idea from your minds to ask yourselves whether the narrative I have given does not suggest that there is something radically wrong in the political affairs of our county. Thirty-six of our counties have been plundered. Over a million and a half of the people's money has been stolen, and yet a metropolitan newspaper, supported by the people of the state defends a man who is silent with such grave charges hanging over his head.

. . . One hundred years ago, and until the last quarter of a century, the spirit which animated the people was one of honor, glory, chivalry and patriotism. This has been supplanted by the greed of gain; that argument is strongest which appeals to cupidity, at the same time industrial and economic conditions have broadened the gap between the rich and the poor. It is not my purpose to rail at established institutions. This republic will stand. What is needed is an intelligent analysis of our troubles and then an awakened public sentiment, that will if necessary smash party slates and stand united until the wrongs are corrected.

It seems necessary that the inexorable law of force must rule, and yet the history of our country in every crisis is the story of supreme self-sacrifice, so that if in what I am about to say I shall be accused of invading the

in public affairs. There is danger in | tion for the motive which prompts it. | Written For Tax Amenican the Broatch-Moores case fully justifies of the caucus and the secret chamber I prefer to think that the government of our fathers will go on-a blessing to our people and a beacon light to the oppressed of all lands, guiding them in their struggles for liberty and happiness. And yet, as we have seen, there are flashes on the horizon which portend an approaching storm. Efficient law with stringent penalties, fitted to our conditions, will go a long way to correct existing evils; but an awakened interest among the people; a manhood that will be honest, just and generous; an industrial system that will embody the spirit of the Declaration of Independence "that all men are by nature free and equal," a patriotism that will disdain to bribe or evade the tax-gatherer; that will be active in political affairs, stern in the treatment of dishonest public officials and courageous in every civic duty, will be more potent than marshalling troops and the dread

> You have all noticed the statue of justice, with scales in hand, on the dome of the court house. Like a guardian angel her mission is to preserve peace and tranquility among the people. By her mandates rights are preserved and society protected. From her presence transgressors of the law have gone forth to hear the clanking of chains behind grated bars and win dows, and murderers have been sent to the gallows and the grave, outcasts from society and the world. This god dess is said to be blind and impartial I would not pluck one flower from the fiction of her being but it is a travesty pon the efficacy of the law when an officer of the court is permitted to go on year after year perpetrating rauds and wrongs against the in the very records which are kept for their protection. The same pen that wrote the commit ments which sent criminals to the soli tude of the felon's cell made the record of other crimes more sweeping in effect, for they struck at the foundation of society itself. Those records tell the story of the betrayal of a con fiding people. Do you wonder that the statue of the goddess of justice turned an independent candidate if I had not black? The artisan's touch has been enlisted to cleanse and brighten the exterior, but all the decorative art which talent can supply will not restore her beauty and purity in the minds and hearts of the people so long as she is compelled to face a city hall that is presided over by a mayor who has betrayed the people while in her

> > Frank E. Moores, with all his faults, is not so bad as the man who attempts to defend him through the columns of his paper and attempts to ridicule and belittle the findings of the referee in the Broatch-Moores case. The crime of defalcation does not hinge on the amount in default any more than the crime of rape does on the number of women assaulted. It is not necessary for a public official to misappropriate \$1,000,000 in order to be a defaulter any more than it was for the Bee man to assault an asylum of deaf and dumb girls in order for Paul Vandervoort to have an excuse for saying the Bee man had raped a deaf and dumb girl before

A few years ago the American people were sending car loads of provisions to the starving Roman Catholics in Ireland. Today those same starving Roman Catholics would rejoice to see Roman Catholic Spain cripple the hand that is ever ready to lift and succor the weak or defenseless.

she could write no on her slate.

It is reported that the Archbishop and his priests in Havana have celebrated the Spanish "victory" in Manila and have offered to enlist in the army and fight for the honor of Spain. Their holy persons will be as acceptable targets for a truly loyal American Of a power that sits by the Tiber to as the most miserable peon.

THE AMERICAN sends greeting to Col. Tom Majors, and invites him to come to Omaha after May 17th to see our new mayor take his seat, vice Acting Mayor Rosenwasser, kickek out for defalcation and other crookedness.

Some people say it is easy enough to understand why Broatch won his case. They say it was because his attorney

AMERICA'S BATTLE CRY.

BY ELIZA A PITTSINGER From oce n to ocean the tocsin is heard! And the valiant hearts of our people are stirred

The grand crisis bas As never before. come!

And our slogan is "LIBERTY BATTLING

WITH ROME! ' Ye heroes of Freedom, stand firm and

stand fast! The Great Armageddon has sounded

The bugles are pealing! With helmet And the once peaceful hamiets been and shield.

Press on to the battle! Your foe is the

Whose pope is supreme and is ever at hand-And through the dark seasons of war-

fare and woe His priest is a general guiding the

Woe, woe to the murderous traitors of Spain! On their hands is a brand, an indelible

That never will fade 'till the "Dragon'

Tis the brand of the criminal, assassin

And they cannot efface the dread stains with a lie They are there for a sign, they are

there to teach What our true-born heroes have told

in their speech: What the Scriptures have taught, and

their prophecies claim, And the records of ages so clearly pro-They are there for a sign, by the proph-

et are seen As they break on his view through the sweet morning sheen-

While the heralds of Time as they stand on the wall.

Have given the warning and sounded the call. With their banners of Liberty bright

ly unfurled) To a thoughtless, unheeding and lethargic wordly.

The curtain is lifted, Spain wins her

And the great blow was struck when our warship went down; Would we swallow the poison and play

with the flame; If so, let us reap the reward of our shame!

Retribution, at last, the great leader has come. And the gleam of his sword is a flash in

the gloom-As a terror to sin he is loyal to right. And his weapons of war are the weapons of might.

The battle is on! and our slogan shall

MURDEROUS SEE! We must strike at the root, aim our

blows at the heart, Instead of a member that's only a part; That root is the Vatican-fountain and

By which seas of innocent blood have been shed.

Poor pity for Spain! She's the daughter of Rome Whose follies and crimes have encom-

passed her doom. Till bereft of her reason and drunken

with sin. The final dread scenes of her ruin begin-

The stars that o'ershadow and tarnish her fate The last act of her infamy sadly relate; Her horoscope gleams with the horrors

With the Black Inquisition that sprinkled her clime

With the blood of the martyrs, who spurning the sod

in God.

Her assassins have lived, they are living to-day, And the germs they have scattered

are death and decay-Isabella and Alva were fed on her creed.

And Phillip, in sowing its murderous seed, Bedimmed the few shining gems of renown

That gilded her fortune and shone in Their blood-stained mantles on Weyler

Who springs, like a ravenous beast, to the call

plan The fall and the final destruction of

man-The master commands, and his servants obey.

And a cyclone of crime is the sign of his sway.

O. Spain, thou destroyer, inquisitor Spy. God's judgment is sure-His time draws

He avenges His people whose limit is

passed. While the kingdoms of earth are now standing aghast-

Thou land of assassins, whose pope is their god.

Come forth to the battle, and reap thy reward!!!

O, Cuba, thou grief stricken, desolate

I le! Thou art stung to thy death by the ser-

pents of guile! And the laws of the land are not able

to stav The hand of a Flend who has made thee

his previ Starvation and slaughter have been at the door.

deluged with gore. Brave sons of America, speed to the Robbed, ravaged and burned, to be

builded no more: Thou once chosen spot, fair Isle of the The Day of Redemption is waiting for

thee O life up thy head, and sorrow no more, The Fleets of our Nation are guarding thy shore!

Their commanders are freemen, and ripe for the blow

That the Sons of America deal to their foe!

God's judgment is just! Let the slaver be slain!

Let the soldlers of Gomez join hands with our own

Till the reign of the tyarnt no longer ls known-While the Squadrons of Liberty sweep-

in thy sea Shall proclaim to the Nations that CUBA IS FREE!

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