

## SELINE CLEWETT AGAIN SUES ROME

For \$20,000 Damages for  
Illegally Detaining  
Her

In the House of the Good Shepherd at  
St. Paul, Minn., and Has Four  
Remnants on the Jury.

The case of Seline Clewett against the House of the Good Shepherd came up for trial last Friday before Judge Otis, when the long and tedious task of selecting the jury began. The scheme of packing the jury with Roman Catholics was worked for all there was in it. Many, however, were forced to retire from the jury box on their own admissions.

One-half of the admissions of the examined juror in a proper court would be sufficient to preclude the sitting on any jury of any members of the Catholic church.

Attorney Butts claimed that as the House of the Good Shepherd was purely a Catholic institution, no member of the church should want, or should be permitted to sit as a juror in this case. He told the court that the church taught its members, under pain of excommunication, to at all times stand by the church, whether they were violating the law or not. He claimed, and offered to show by their official books, that an oath taken before a court, where no intention was had to keep it, was not an oath. He claimed that the church taught mental reservation, and that in the Hill Seminary and other colleges, they were teaching doctrines of murder, high treason and perjury, and that any Catholic was particularly disqualified to sit on a jury where an institution of the church was being tried.

F. B. Hester was the first juror examined, who practically corroborated Mr. Butts in his claim that no Catholic should be on the jury.

Mr. Hester, on examination, admitted once having been a member of the police force for several years.

He admitted being a Roman Catholic in good standing.

He admitted that he was acquainted with the teachings of his church in spiritual matters.

He admitted that he considered it a sacrilege to bring a priest or nun into court, or in any way interfere with their conduct.

He admitted that he thought it his duty to believe the word of the sisters given in court.

He admitted that his religion made it his duty to sustain the church against the state; to sustain the sisters whether right or wrong, and to protect defendants, right or wrong.

He admitted that the sisters were his superiors; that he had no right to criticize them or to pass judgment upon them, and that it was sacrilege to sue them in the state court; that they were above him, and had the right and power to determine for him what was right and what was wrong; that the only persons who could rightfully try these defendants were their superiors in the church.

He also admitted when asked by Attorney Butts if it was not a fact that an oath in court was no oath under the instructions of his church, unless there was intention on the part of the affiant to keep it. Hester answered "that such was the case."

He admitted that, by the teachings of his church, he understood that an oath was not a valid oath if the intention was wanting.

Pierce Butler then took a turn at the juror.

He asked him if he could not, as a juror, decide impartially in a case where a sister of a priest was a party, in a case where people not of his church were parties.

Mr. Hester said that he could.



Even if the case were Mr. Butts against Archbishop Ireland?

Mr. Hester hesitated. He was nonplussed for a time, then, answering, said that he should decide for the archbishop, which created great laughter in court.

Judge Otis excused the juror from further service.

The testimony of Mr. Hester, being a Catholic, came like a thunderbolt upon the Irish attendants upon court.

All along they have been trying to evade their own doctrinal teachings. All along they have tried to force their people upon the jury, and at last an uncoached juror unwittingly lets the whole cat out of the bag, thus exposing the entire traitorous system of the church.

All day Friday was devoted to the examination of Mr. Hester.

Mr. Hester is doubtless an honest Catholic, and answered as he had been taught to believe was correct. His frankness was a sad blow to the hypocritical sect that have all along tried to conceal their teachings.

Juror Ivey, upon being challenged for actual bias, admitted that he had a strong opinion, and that he would like to dynamite and blow up the entire building. He was excused.

Many jurors were examined who testified in a similar strain, who were excused from service.

Many Catholics who were honest enough to admit the truth concerning the teachings of their church, were excused.

The whole ambition of the attorneys for the defense was devoted to getting Catholics upon the jury. All day Friday forenoon was consumed in the selection of a jury, four of whom are known Catholics.—St. Paul Brezco.

**Aguinaldo's Plan for a Republic.**  
London, June 18.—The Madrid correspondent of the Times gives the text of a Berlin letter dated June 4 and read in the cortes, purporting to be the text of an agreement signed April 24 at Singapore between Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader, and the American consul there regarding the future government of the Philippine's, an agreement afterward orally ratified at Hong Kong by Admiral Dewey.

In this agreement Aguinaldo under-

takes to organize a republican government under the protectorate of the United States with the assistance of two or three American delegates as counselors. The ports of the archipelago are to be opened to foreign trade and immigrants, with certain restrictions against the Chinese.

Then follow clauses promising judicial and other reforms, the expulsion and abolition of "tyrannical religious orders," the freedom of the press, protection to Spanish residents, provision for the return of Spanish officials to Spain and the general development of the country.

The rebels propose to sign a proclamation of independence June 20.

**The Church Military Flag.**

By far the best equipped tent and the best attended services at Camp Alger, Washington, are those maintained by the Roman Catholic church. The three chaplains there just now are the Rev. Thomas E. Sherman of the 4th Missouri, who is a son of Gen. W. T. Sherman; the Rev. P. C. Murphy, of the 9th Massachusetts, and the Rev. Eugene Kelley, of the 7th Illinois. Their camp "church" does not provide room for the audience, but a small tent covers a chance only. At the head of the tent is an altar made of boards, decorated with pine branches and furnished with white cheesecloth and American flags. On Sundays the additional decorations are ferns and daisies gathered by the soldiers. A large crucifix hangs on the center tent pole. From the TOP OF THE POLE FLIES THE CHURCH MILITARY FLAG. Pine boughs furnish a soft carpet for men to kneel on. The worshippers were drawn up in front of the tent. Out of consideration for the Protestants of the regiments, Father Sherman has afternoon sermons. Holy communion is celebrated at 5 o'clock in the morning, one week day morning recently 115 being present. Almost every member of the regiments attend the services on Sundays.

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## ROME INSULTS THE U. S. FLAG.

Places It at Half Mast When  
Told of Dewey's Victory.

Enraged Citizens Demand of the Police  
That They Cause the Flag to be  
Properly Unfurled.

**How is This for Loyalty.**

Kalispell, Mont., June 15.—Editor AMERICAN:—When the news of Dewey's success at Manila reached Missoula, Mont., the United States flag which floats over the Catholic school at that place was put at half mast by order of the teacher in the school. The citizens became indignant and a policeman ordered the flag to be flung to the breeze properly to avoid trouble. It was necessary to order this Catholic teacher to put the flag in the proper position the second time before she complied with the order. P.

**The Archbishop Was Boss.**

A dispatch from Hong Kong, China, to the St. Louis Globe Democrat of the 18th Inst. contained these paragraphs: August 1 is at his wits' end. He has frequently cabled Madrid of late that he will be able to hold the city no longer. He has again shown a disposition to surrender. This time, however, he has been overruled by the archbishop of Manila, who volunteered to go into the interior and treat with the rebels. The priests' attempts have been useless, and there is nothing left for Manila but its fall.

Falling to repulse the insurgents in any of the recent engagements, the Spaniards have resorted to their well-known tactics. Aguinaldo is held responsible for all of the recent successes, and the Americans are denounced for aiding the rebellion by furnishing him and his followers with arms.

The rebel leader being considered the evil genius which is encompassing the fall of Spanish arms, several attempts have been made to assassinate him. The first attempt was made with

poison. A Spanish spy, who had joined the ranks of the insurgents, administered the poison, but beyond being made very sick for a short time Aguinaldo suffered no grave consequences. The spy was apprehended and subsequently executed. Upon another recent occasion a Spanish prisoner made a desperate attempt to stab Aguinaldo in camp. His attempt was also unsuccessful, and when the alarm was raised he started to run, but fell riddled with bullets from the rifles of avenging rebels.

Falling in his attempt to influence the insurgents, the archbishop of Manila has now announced that he has received a message from God, who has promised that the "Yankee pigs" shall be driven from the island, and the Spaniards have restored to them their own. In addition, he says that the communication which he has received states that the Spanish arms will triumph in the present conflict with the United States.

Among the other reports which reach here, all of which have arrived here on the British war-ship Linnets, which left Manila Tuesday, is one to the effect that the wife and five children of Captain General Augusti are among the prisoners taken by the insurgents. It is also stated that the Governor has resigned the military command, owing to the disagreements which have arisen between himself and the archbishop, who is discouraging every movement looking to the surrender of the city.

Officers of the Linnets state that when the German steamer Kaiserin Austria entered the harbor of Manila she saluted the Spanish flag. They state that the belief prevails in Manila that there is something in the wind, with Germany as the central figure. They say that German officers have been seen walking arm in arm with Spaniards. They are responsible for the story that while officers of the German warship Irene were lunching with Spaniards the former stated that there would be no annexation to the United States of the Philippines while the present Emperor reigned. It was on June 5 that Augusti called a council of war and proposed that the city surrender. The

opposition was too strong and it was decided to hold out as long as possible.

It is said the Germans proposed to remove the wounded Spanish soldiers to a hospital ship under the German flag, but Admiral Dewey is reported to have replied that hitherto mediation had always been British, and it must so remain.

**Fired a Powder Mill.**

Cincinnati, O., June 20.—The finishing department of the King Powder company, located at Kings Mills, in Warren county, was destroyed last night in a manner leading to the belief that it was the work of enemies of the government.

The building, in which was stored a quantity of smokeless powder, had evidently been fired near midnight by two men, one of whom was badly burned and apparently had been dragged away from the burning building by his companion, who then ran away in the direction of South Lebanon.

Smokeless powder in the condition it was in this department does not explode, like ordinary powder, with a flash, but breaks into a bright light, and burns for some time. The great light attracted citizens and some of these met a stranger going toward South Lebanon.

The injured man was taken into custody. He is apparently a foreigner, but is so badly injured that he can scarcely talk.

The powder burned was not for the government, and the money loss is considerable, perhaps \$2,000. This company has a contract to supply the government, and this is thought to be the reason its destruction was attempted.

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