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THERE are not so many Roman sympathizers now.

MIKE MAUL can now literally sit on the Roman corpse.

THE president of the Clan-na-Gaels can continue to work his jaw.

OUR eighth-page cartoon last week was well timed and appropriate.

OMAHA will now have "Home Rule" in spite of the Irish Romanists.

THERE are not so many "rank Romanists" to-day as before the battle.

BOODLERISM received an unmistakable set-back at the hands of the people.

MR. RUSH,

The contract was too big.

THE "Hand-writing on the wall" is better understood by the Romish corporation to-day.

THE A. P. A.'s were out in force. The pink "memorandum" was well understood.

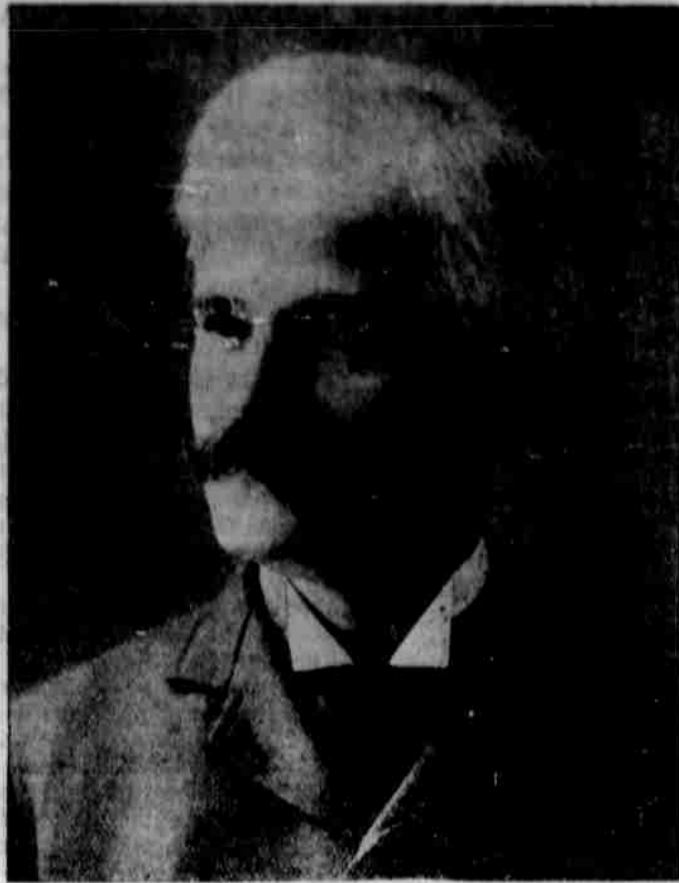
THE success of Geo. P. Bemis is a handsome compliment to an old and respected citizen.

THE job department of THE AMERICAN is well equipped for all kinds of commercial printing.

THE Irish Romanist will love the country better now, since he has discovered his weakness.

THE ladies in many precincts gave their assistance in selecting members of the Board of Education.

THE pope's emissaries cannot fail to understand the signs of the times. The American people are CITIZENS FIRST

GEORGE P. BEMIS,
MAYOR-ELECT OF THE CITY OF OMAHA.

and believe in God instead of the priests.

THE best victories are those that are least bloody—those that, though achieved by the hand, are managed by the head.—Ex.

THE American people love their country better than the pope, and do not recognize that individual as being superior to the Deity.

THE School Board will be American to the core, and our public schools will be well protected from the encroachments of the Romanists.

THAT the people of Omaha dare to stand for America, the Stars and Stripes and the Public Schools, was proven by the returns from the election of Tuesday. They are Americans first, last and all the time.

WHILE enthusiasm is at the highest point it will not be amiss to call attention to the fact that we will have another election next year. Don't forget that "vigilance is the price of liberty."

THE Australian ballot system may have its objectionable features, but it nevertheless gives the American voter the right to cast his ballot without the assistance of the ward bumper, and the system will grow in favor every year.

IF any of our subscribers in the city Omaha do not receive their papers hereafter by Friday evening they will confer a favor on us by reporting the matter to us at once. We are revising our lists and will endeavor to see that THE AMERICAN is delivered promptly and on time.

THE recent political battle was not so much between the old parties as between the straight-out liberty-loving Americans and the Romish corporations. The outcome simply means that the sentiment of American people is in favor of the complete and final divorce of Church and State.

THE ELECTION.

No man can honestly claim this a republican victory in Omaha and Douglas county. Politics cut no figure. No man was elected because he was a republican; no man was defeated because he was a democrat, but all united, democrats and republicans, to purge the city and county government of men who were in cahoots with contractors and the lawless element. It was the good citizens against the bumper element. It was the taxpayers against the taxeaters. It was a movement of reform and embraced men of all shades of political opinions—it was a movement for good government, as against mismanagement, incompetency and, in some cases, dishonesty.

The movement that wrought the unexpected change was not one of mushroom growth, but was one which had been started and fostered months ago. It took on new life when drunken Romanists assaulted American citizens simply because they had attended an A. P. A. meeting; it was given a regular boom when Police Judge Hensley made his memorable decision against law and order, and when John F. Boyd allowed a mob to take a prisoner from his custody, and deprive him of his life, without any show of resistance, and when Mayor Cushing, in the face of public sentiment, placed men of one political faith in charge of nearly all the voting precincts in this city.

While there may not have been any desire on the part of the officials to thwart justice, to deprive a man of a constitutional right or to pervert the election returns, yet people looked with suspicion upon their acts, and took the first opportunity to give them a merited rebuke.

The result of the election was not a surprise to the members of the American order. They knew what it would be. They knew just how many votes would be polled. But the Romans did not, and they went up and down this city bullying every man whom they thought belonged to the American order; they slandered and vilified the best citizens of Omaha, and as a consequence they are to-day out in the cold.

The election has demonstrated one thing. It has settled the question of Roman intolerance, and showed to foolish politicians how they have been gulled heretofore by the Irish Romanists, who have claimed to carry this community in their pockets.

THE AMERICAN is well satisfied. Its friends are satisfied, and the community will never regret endorsing our stand.

AN OBJECT LESSON.

The lecture at Musser's Opera House Monday evening entitled "The Superstitions of the Church of Rome," by T. F. Lyons was well attended. Mr. Lyons is the young man who delivered a series of lectures in this city a few weeks ago on "Roman Catholicism" and who subsequently was reported to have been killed by a mob in St. Joseph. He seems well and cheerful and his young wife and babe do not seem in the least alarmed. His lecture last evening consisted chiefly of quotations from standard Roman Catholic books, together with his childhood experiences in parochial schools. In no respect could it be considered abusive or severe. In the beginning a challenge was extended, and ample opportunity furnished at the close to any one who might try to refute any statement of the lecturer. But no one present seemed prepared to enter into an intellectual discussion, however, in the hall way and outside of the entrance door a mob had gathered, prepared to answer the speaker with jeers and curses, with revolvers and stones. Some time before the close of the lecture an effort had been made to quiet the disturbance but no officer present seemed inclined to think it his duty to interfere. As the gathering dispersed and Mr. Lyons and his wife passed down the stairway the mob followed, hooting and hissing as he quietly passed up Third street to his hotel. About a block from the opera house they began to hurl stones at him and as shower after shower fell one stone struck him on the right arm inflicting a severe wound. At this Mr. Lyons turned and fired three shots, one taking effect and making a flesh wound dies that we sung more than two thousand years ago by the waters of Babylon, and wept. They record our triumphs; they solace our affliction. Great orators are the creatures of popular assemblies; we were permitted only by stealth to meet even in our temples. And as for great writers, the catalogue is not black. What are all the school men, Aquinas himself, to Maimonides? and as for modern philosophy, all springs from Spinoza! But the passionate and creative genius that is the nearest link to divinity, and which no human tyranny can destroy,