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THE county commissioner's proceedings should be published the Monday following their session—not the ninth day after. It looks very much like a scheme to allow the ten days to expire and prevent taxpayers filing an appeal.

IN ALL the large cities where the Romish agents have gained control of governmental affairs, they have used the low-grade politicians to further their designs upon the public treasury and the overthrow of the public school system.

THE San Francisco Argonaut suggests that Chicago might effect some kind of an arrangement with King Humbert to secure the "prisoner of the Vatican," for a "World's Fair attraction." We do not believe the aforesaid prisoner would have the slightest objection to becoming a "musee freak," in order to replenish "St. Peter's Pence."

HERE is an item which recently appeared in the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette, which is only one of the many schemes resorted to by the Romish Catholic corporation to secure money: On Sunday the Roman Catholics opened a new church at Deer Park, a suburb of this city. A great crowd was expected and provided for. The brewers donated thirty-one kegs of beer, which was sold on the ground for the benefit of the church. Wheels of fortune and other gambling implements were in full operation, and twenty-five per cent. of the receipts went to the church.

IT IS said that the English Tories are seriously considering, if their plan is not already matured, the advisability of making their fight in the coming general election against the Roman Catholic hierarchy in Ireland, and will claim that the "grand old man's" aim is to sacrifice Protestants to the Roman church, and that the home rulers are members and tools of the church. From this it would seem that the idea is "catching." The Irish race would be much better off if the religious matters were forced out of politics. In this the Tories will hold the winning card and the Protestant world will applaud their efforts.

MANY of our citizens will wonder how they can celebrate Thanksgiving day; to such we will say the Knights of Pythias have decided to give an entertainment at the Coliseum during the afternoon and evening of that day. The programme will consist of selections by the Second Infantry Band, an address by the newly-elected chief of the order in Nebraska, songs by Mrs. Clappe and other prominent singers, followed by dancing and an elegant spread. The afternoon and evening entertainment will cost the small sum of \$1.50 for lady and gentleman taking supper, and \$1.00 without refreshments. All our friends

who have not decided where to go or what to do should keep the K. P's in mind.

"EAT, DRINK AND BE MERRY."

God, in His profound wisdom, has caused many changes to be wrought in our lives and in the life of this most prosperous nation during the last twelve months. He has blessed the farmers, those who were last year stricken with drouth, with a bountiful harvest; He has blessed the town's people, who were beset by storms, disease and death, with health and work, and He has abundantly blessed the Americans with victory over the enemies of their public institutions. He has blessed the Protestant world with peace, while the devil has cursed the countries ruled by the priests with internecine strife and bloodshed, until even the most skeptical can but admire the wisdom of His work and the magnitude of His charity.

With these thoughts before us, it seems meet and proper that our nation's chief executive should set aside a day as one of general thanksgiving, and that he should call upon all patriotic citizens to cease their labors for a day and return thanks to the Ruler of the universe for His uniform kindness and His continued great goodness; and we feel like joining with him in urging all citizens, and particularly that grand body of loyal men composing the membership of the American Protective association, to leave their workshops, their stores, their offices and their fields, and unite, one with another, in praising God—not Mary—"from Whom all blessing flow."

Today is the day; "eat, drink and be merry," for it is yet a little while ere the death of the fraud on the Tiber will be known, but in that day will there be great rejoicing throughout the earth.

BOYCOTTED THE W. C. T. U.

We are informed that the Romans have boycotted the W. C. T. U. dining room, located at 121 North Fifteenth street, since election. We are further informed that all the Romans who boarded there prior to November 3, have left the place. Protestants who take their dinner down town should go over to 121 North Fifteenth street and get their meals. How many Protestants have refused to patronize Roman Catholic fairs and bazaars, simply because the Romans carried the elections heretofore?

THAT the American people are not ready or willing to place themselves in the power of the Romish corporation has, in a measure, been proven by the result of the late election. Any man who owes allegiance to the pope is bound by a chain stronger than patriotism. Americans have no use for a politico-ecclesiastic machine which seeks to control both the religious and political opinions of men who look to it only for their spiritual comfort.

AN ESSENTIAL feature of Protestantism is civil and religious liberty. The essential feature of Roman Catholicism is a priestly tyranny, menacing both civil and religious liberty, so much so, that no Roman Catholic can claim his soul as his own, should he faithfully and obediently follow and submit to the teaching of its priests.

THE secretary of the Young Men's Christian association, through Mr. T. J. Hollander, will accept our thanks for complimentary tickets to the "Redpath Star Concert company." The next feature of the "star course" will be an elocutionary entertainment by Prof. R. L. Cumnock, December 22.

ROME DOES NOT CHANGE.

I put this plain question to you priests in my last article, "Are you priests pure?" and you have hung down your heads and never deigned to reply, which forces me to the conclusion that you are guilty; and I must proceed to daub some more paint on your character. I am not basing my argument against you on mere supposition. I have the sworn testimony of men and women who have had experience and in whose word I have the utmost confidence. I know these facts are true. You know when you tell one of your penitents that they will be made more holy and righteous by confessing their secret sins to you, and answering your infamous and vile questions, that you are telling them a malicious falsehood. The pope has more than 100,000 priests who average ten female confessions a day, or about 182,000,000 in a year. Just think of it? The priest argues that he asks these questions because his church compels him to, and that he himself cannot fall, therefore he is competent to hear and pardon all their sins, and that their influence is for good. Hear Father Chiniquy on this subject. "I say that they deceive the innocent and the most prudent and circumspect. That it would be a miracle to converse with them and not fall." We also learn from Father Chiniquy on this subject that the Roman Catholic government in Italy, in order to prevent the nation from being swept away by the corruption in the confessional, gave to the world the memoirs of the Venerable Bishop Scipio de Ricci, of Pistoria, and Prato in Italy. The charges are terrible in the extreme, but they are true. An honest man, if they were not true, would demand an investigation, that his character might be cleared of the stain upon it. How was it with that priest whom Bishop Ricci charges with a nameless crime, in one of the nunneries of his diocese? Did he demand an investigation? No, indeed. He stole away from the scene of his crime, and your holy church rewarded him for his virtue and piety, by making him confessor extraordinary afterwards. Some time ago a couple of young ladies were passing by a certain convent during the evening, when they noticed that it was extremely dark, with the exception of a very dim light away in the upper story which shone through the blind, which fact led one of them very naturally to remark that she wondered what was going on up there, to which query the other one replied: "Question what is going on up in there?" Will you priests answer. In our woods there grows a plant, beautiful to look upon, and apparently harmless. You admire its beauty, but take hold of it and what is the result? Everywhere that plant touches you there is pain. It has poisoned you. Rome makes her confessional boxes beautiful outside. Her priests impress you as beautiful and pure in character; but the minute you come to them at the confessional, under the pretence of doing their christian duty, they proceed to entwine around your soul the poison of their infamous practices, leaving a terrible sore which God alone can heal. Such is the confessional, beautiful outside, but a den of infamy

within. There is nothing too low for Rome to stoop to to accomplish her end. If you are so anxious for pure morality and we are so impure, why do you not let us alone? You know that there is no truth in your statements about our public schools, but, as has been your custom all along, honesty, consistency or pure purposes have not been your motive in persecuting our public schools. In Omaha we had a superintendent who had been here for years, and was a man of acknowledged ability and honesty. Some of your members were on the school board, and through them you went to work to have Prof. James put out of the position, and a man who sympathized with you put in his place. A man who was utterly unknown to the people of Omaha. You said "Mr. Fitzpatrick has a reputation as a teacher outside of Omaha," granted; but secretly that argument did not cut any figure with you. Besides this, after the contract with Mr. Fitzpatrick, engaging him for one year had been made and signed, you went systematically to work to have that contract nullified and another one made engaging him for a term of two years instead of one. By this means you would succeed in placing in every school a Catholic teacher next year. We have this year a majority of Protestants on our school board and your little scheme of getting control of our schools will not work. Mr. Fitzpatrick has denied being a Catholic. If he is not he is certainly very much under Catholic influence, as his family are strong Catholics. That being the case Mr. Fitzpatrick must conform in a great measure to the rules of the Catholic church even if he does not belong to it himself. I would like to ask Mr. Fitzpatrick three simple plain questions: If you are not a Catholic or in any way influenced by the Romish priest in conducting the affairs of our public schools, why did you go into a certain school-room in this city the other morning and put these questions to the pupils: "How many are Catholics? How many are Protestants? and to the teacher, do you read the Protestant bible every morning?" Will you please explain what your object was? The influence of Rome is already being felt in our schools. One night a short time ago a little girl came home from school and her father noticed her making the cross and other motions that Romans have to make, and asked what she was doing that for, and was dumbfounded when she told him that her teacher taught that in the school to them. That was done since Mr. Fitzpatrick came into power! It is needless to say that the teacher in that room is a Roman subject. The members of the board of education who put Mr. Fitzpatrick in charge of these schools evidently believes as Pope Pius IX did when he said—take this from the American of a recent date—"public schools open to all children should be under the control of the Romish church, and should not be subject to the civil power nor made to conform to the opinions of the age." There has been a systematic effort on the part of the Romish church to crush out our bible from the public schools. We have gained a signal victory here, but Protestants, our warfare must not cease. Rome is just like a leopard or