

AN INSULT

Offered Every Public School Teacher and Every Citizen by Satoli.

It is indeed hard to conceive anything more grossly arrogant and intensely bigoted than the recent address of Mgr. Satoli, the papal delegate to this country on the public school question.

Had any other religious denomination besides that of the Roman church made the statements such as Mgr. Satoli is responsible for, the entire press of the country would have launched out into vituperative criticism, but issuing from the source that they did, the daily press simply groveled in the dust at the feet of this papal delegate.

Roman Catholicism today controls the daily newspapers of this country—many—and amongst that many you can include thousands of Protestants—will deny and scout this assertion, but nevertheless it is unfortunately only too true.

Examine carefully the following statements made by Mgr. Satoli:

"That it was held for certain that the public schools bore within themselves a proximate danger to faith and morals."

"Because teachers are chosen indiscriminately from every sect and no law prevents them from working the ruin of youth, so that they are at liberty to instill errors and the germs of vice in tender minds."

When making these scandalous assertions Mgr. Satoli must have known full well that he was lying and that furthermore he was also openly offering a studied insult to the teachers of the public schools and through them to this country, which has every reason to be proud of its schools and its school teachers.

Statistics show that the largest proportion of the criminals of the present day are of the Roman Catholic persuasion, and it is safe to presume that they were for the most part reared and educated in the schools belonging to their faith.

In this present day of advancing civilization and consequently advancing and increasing facilities for the education of the masses, no fair-minded person will deny the fact that it is entirely in consonance with common sense that the Roman church should be at perfect liberty to establish and maintain schools of its own, the same as the several Protestant denominations do, but there is no possible excuse that they can offer for casting a slur upon the public schools of this country, neither is there any valid reason why they should not contribute their share to the maintenance of these public schools, the same as the other religious denominations are compelled to.

The Roman church is and has always been dominated with the idea that they are a privileged religion, and it is high time that they should understand, that in this country at least, they cannot expect any greater privileges than those shown to other religious denominations.

In 1864, Pope Pius IX. said "That the Roman church has a right to interfere in the discipline of the public schools, in the choice of teachers for these public schools." This assertion is entirely in conflict with the fact that all public schools of this country are and must be entirely non-sectarian, and such being the case, every unprejudiced person will at once admit that Romanism, cannot any more than Protestantism, assume a dictatorship over our public school system. The education as given by our public schools should and must be purely secular and moral. To the parents at home and the Sunday schools connected with almost every church must that portion of the education be left.

The Roman church in denying to her children and thus depriving them of the benefits of our splendid public school system once more shows her intense bigotry. Why should children in their tender youth be separated every day in this odiously sectarian manner? Why should they be constantly taught by such a practice to hate one another? Is it not sufficient to exhibit all the theological and ecclesiastical divisions and antipathies when they are grown up?

It would indeed be a cursed day for this country should Rome ever secure a controlling hand over our public schools. Look at the countries of Italy, Spain and Ireland, where Rome has long held sway over the education of the masses, and you will find that the percentage of those able to read and write is disgracefully small. It has never been the aim of the Roman church to advance education for the masses, for the simple reason that education means enlightenment, and enlightenment means the lifting from their eyes the thin veil that barely covers the empty hollowness of the Ro-

man religion as taught by her priests.

To every American father and mother, eye to every American citizen these expressions from the papal delegate on the school question should come as a terrible warning and awaken them to the fact that Rome once more is endeavoring to encroach on their civil and religious liberties, and unless thwarted in her designs she will ultimately secure the object she has in view.

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It is Man Made.

The thirst for temporal power on the part of the Roman priest-craft is not of recent origin, neither is Pope Leo XIII the only head of the church who has alterations in the creed to serve his own ambitious ends and impress upon the people the presumed truthfulness of his assertion that he is the vicar of Jesus Christ. Even in the olden time the leaders of the church, taking advantage of the ignorance and superstition of the people, established certain customs in performance of their religious exercises which served to aggrandize themselves and the more firmly fix their position in the minds of their people as rulers of temporal as well as spiritual things. Before the creed of the Roman church was tampered with by selfish, ambitious and unscrupulous men we believe it was a perfect exponent of the religion of Jesus Christ, but the expounders of the faith, like the priest of old, have wandered away from the teachings of their fathers and from the true God until at the present time their religion is in a great measure a man-made religion and used for temporal purposes only. The religion of Jesus Christ teaches all men to know God and live close to Him. It teaches men to approach the Father through me (Jesus Christ) and through no one else. It does not teach that men are saved by the intercession of saints, but by the "blood of the Lamb." It does not teach that man has power to forgive sin but that such power rests with God, and by Him vested in His Son. It does not teach that the intercession of any person, whether living or dead, can alter the condition of any soul after it has left its earthly tenement but that each soul at the final great day will be judged only according to the acts done in the flesh. Through all its teachings Christ is the only true mediator between God and man mentioned, and we do not believe that in its original simplicity the creed of the Catholic church taught anything else. All other teachings we believe to be inventions of the priest-craft for their own personal aggrandizement. We clip from the True Protestant, published at Chicago by P. A. Seguin, an ex-Roman priest, the following inventions or corruptions of popes and the year in which they were adopted:

Table listing various religious practices and their adoption years, such as Invocation of saints (357), Service in the Latin language (600), Pope's supremacy (606), Images and relics (787), Baptism of bells (953), Canonization of saints (1000), Change of bread and wine into a God (1090), Use of beads—rosaries (1090), The celibacy imposed on priests (1090), Mass—a caricature of Christ's sacrifice (1100), Sale of indulgences (1100), Purgatory—the golden hen of popery (1493), Reading of the Bible forbidden (1546), Five other sacraments instituted (1547), Worship of Mary—the gate of heaven (1563), Another creed by Pope Pius IV. (1564), Immaculate Conception—Mary without sin (1854), An infallible pope (1870).

As we stated before, in our opinion the present Catholic religion is a man-made institution designed for the temporal aggrandizement of its leaders and not an instrument in the hands of Almighty God to disseminate the gospel and bring sinners to Christ. The church is a mere political machine, and when we see the people of this enlightened age trucking to this power we are moved to ejaculate "Where are we at?" The present system of free public education is the only obstacle in the pathway of Romanism in the United States and once that system is abolished and parochial schools substituted therefor Rome will reign supreme. For years the powerful machinery of the church has been directed against this system and with such success that the leaders thought it was within their grasp, but the American people awoke from their sleep of fancied security, and today are organizing all over the land in defense of the little red school house. But the church will not give up her vantage ground quietly. She has her yoke firmly fastened about the necks of the two leading political parties, and which ever happens to be victorious will exact her quota of the appointments and appropriations. The only salvation for the people—American people—is to rally about a new standard, form a new party which has for its object the protection of the free school system and the eternal separation of church and state. Sectarianism should not be allowed as a factor in state government and the denomination that attempts to rule should be everlastingly sat down upon by the people.—West Liberty Gazette.

Tore Down the School House Flag! The flag pole at the school house in district nine, Clark township, was cut down the middle of November, by unknown parties, chopped up and the flag torn to shreds. This is the second time a flag has been torn down at this school house. One year ago Miss Emma Con-

nor, the teacher, hoisted a flag over the school house and James Stark tore it down "to spite the teacher." Now the teacher is a man and a democrat. Opponents of all parties denounce the affair.

School Board Work.

Last Monday evening the Board of Education reorganized by electing Clinton N. Powell, president, and Col. B. C. Akin vice-president. The following standing committees were appointed by the president:

Special instructions: R. W. Gibson, C. J. Smyth, C. S. Elgutter. Claims: C. E. Babcock, Henry Knodell, J. E. Burgess. Judiciary: C. J. Smyth, C. E. Babcock, R. F. Thomas.

Salaries: Henry Knodell, Dr. Gibbs, Morris Morrison. Boundaries: Gibbs, Knodell, Jaynes. Kindergarten: W. N. Babcock, Dr. Daryea, J. E. Burgess.

Rules: Burgess, Morrison, Daryea. Finance: Coryell, Thomas, Smyth, Elgutter, C. E. Babcock.

Teachers and examinations: Akin, Jaynes, Coryell, Thomas, W. N. Babcock.

Text books and course of study: Elgutter, Gibbs, Akin, Jaynes, Coryell.

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Supplies, Jaynes, Knodell, Gibson, Daryea, Gibbs.

Heating and ventilation: Thomas, Knodell and Elgutter.

American Lodge L. O. I. No. 221, meets every Thursday night in Red Men Hall in Patterson block, 17th and Farnam St. M. L. ZOOK Sec.

Awake!

Rev. A. C. Crosthwaite, of the M. E. church of York, Nebraska, preached a Thanksgiving sermon in the Presbyterian church of that city. Among other things he said:

"And how can I pass unnoticed that other system of emity, Romanism? No Americanism is in it. From the crown of its head to sole of its feet it is Romanism, which in this instance is the synonym of foreignism, and here in York, it is on yonder hill, an imported system of an imported people. Mark you, I attack the system not the individual. That system which under the catching plea of superior educational advantages, seeks your Protestant children for its rooms, and when secured from abroad, will not grant an interview to such student with a pastor of this city except in the presence of a sister. Suppose in our school system the lady teachers of the York schools should conceive the idea that Superintendent Corbett was so superior and holy, that they would instruct your daughters that they should kiss his hand, wouldn't you raise a storm? Yet here is a system which hesitates not to so instruct its pupils as a part of duty. They kiss the priest's hand and verily chuckle over the gullibility of Protestants. O people of York, awake!"

About Mrs. Lease.

A Chicago paper publishing, and some religious papers are re-publishing, the following in regard to the eloquent woman and labor agitator and candidate for United States senator from Kansas: "Mrs Lease is over thirty and probably not far from forty years of age. She formerly lived in Denison, Texas, and was known there as an agitator. She was strong-minded, and an almost fanatical Roman Catholic. In school matters she stirred up many a hornet's nest." We doubt that she is a Roman Catholic and deny that she is a fanatical Roman Catholic. At least we declare what we know. Talking one day to her bright and winsome little girl, Louise, the following dialogue between us occurred: "Where do you live?" "In Wichita." "Where do you go to Sabbath-school?" "To the United Presbyterian church." "Do you know Mr. Lawrence?" "Why yes," said the little girl, "he is our preacher." "Does your mother go to church there?" "No; I'm a United Presbyterian; Mamma, she's a Campbelite." We turned to Mrs. Lease and reported the conversation, and she laughed and said: "Louise is right."—Exchange.

Americans Must Remain Americans. We want no Bohemian, Italian, Scandinavian or other European power any more than that of the Chinese, set up in this country as a governing force, either political, social or religious, to supplant Americanism and undermine our free institutions. We cannot and must not submit to this if the heritage of the great American Republic is to be sustained. America with its civilization and freedom, not the elements of effete European monarchies, must be upheld, and the dangerous encroachments upon our free institutions must be resisted to the last, and at any and every sacrifice.—Troy Times.

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CITY NEWS.

Geo. W. Lower, was run into by a motor train on Thirtieth street Wednesday of last week and seriously hurt. His skull was fractured and he was otherwise badly injured. At present he is a little better and his friends have hopes of his recovery.

The employees in the county treasurer's office gave their chief, H. B. Ivey, a pleasant surprise. They presented him with a beautiful gold watch. H. B. is not an orator but he found plenty of appropriate words to convey to the donors that he fully appreciated both the spirit and the gift.

Last Tuesday afternoon before county commissioner R. S. Berlin retired from the board he was "watched" by his colleagues. This was not because he was suspected of any wrong doing, but to convey to him in a pleasant way that his services on the board were appreciated. The presentation speech was made by Judge Stenberg. Mr. Berlin responded in a happy strain, and amid well wishes for all concerned the old board ceased to exist and the new one took its place.

W. F. Bechel was elected president of the city council last Tuesday evening. The republicans held a caucus and settled the matter before the council convened. After that body adjourned the new president asked the retiring members, the city officials and members of the new council to go to Sol Prince's hostelry and partake of an elegant spread. The invitation was accepted and a royal good time was had. Mr. Bechel will make a good officer in the position to which he has been elected.

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We desire to acknowledge the following subscriptions to the Miller Fund during the past week:

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