

The changes in the last ten years. This caricature is just as appropriate now as it was ten years ago...

Some of you say, this is not so, they have changed. Some people have the wool so pulled over their eyes that they actually believe they have changed...

I read in one of their papers the other day where Cardinal Gibbons was speaking, and it goes on to show that he said, 'The Catholic church remains unchanged; she believes now what she always believed; she would do now what she always has done, she is now what she always was.'

Not very long ago a dispatch was sent to the president asking him not to appoint any more Romanists to office, and the great democratic party was injured in Chicago...

New York City is notorious for its bad municipal government. It is hardly necessary to say that the Catholics hold most of the offices...

show for our country. It does not require a majority—just enough to hold the offices. If you will not vote for the Roman, you are a wicked A. P. A.—Looking Glass.

The State's Witnesses. From Kansas City Association. Arthur Morrison, whose real name is Arthur Moses, a witness for the state in the alleged case against Bishop J. V. McNamara...

McKee is alleged to have confessed to both his wives that he had killed a guard in the penitentiary and it is said that his back is covered with scars from floggings received while a convict.

Such men as these were produced in court by Marey K. Brown, the prosecuting attorney, to prove that certain language was used by Bishop J. V. McNamara in one of his lectures...

L. R. Baker, alias 'Frenchy,' one of the parties who swore to the information charging Bishop J. V. McNamara with using alleged slanderous language against some of the priests of Rome in Kansas City...

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SEDUCED BY A PRIEST.

Beautiful, Rich and Accomplished Stessas Cummings Ruined

By Father Thomas F. Leydon, Her Father Confessor and Her Guardian—Leydon Arrested.

The most pitiful and appalling tale of the winter is today given publicly. The sacred traditions of the Roman Catholic church respecting the careful guarding of its children from all harm and the eternal preservation of the highest morality of its fathers have been ruthlessly overridden by a priest...

Father Thomas F. Leydon, pastor of the richest Catholic diocese in the entire state of Illinois, took upon himself the guardianship of a beautiful orphan, Stessas Cummings, at the death of her wealthy father...

Balzac wrote of the infamy of priests, but none of his tales were set in such a dramatic atmosphere as is this latter-day chronicle that happened in the wealthy little city of Aurora.

In the aristocratic portion of Aurora stands the handsome church of St. Mary's. Next door to it is the pastoral residence and the picturesque little city boasts of none that are more beautiful or more handsomely appointed within.

There lives Father Leydon, a handsome, prosperous looking man of 48 years. Since his advent in Aurora he has worked hard for his congregation and himself, and succeeded so nice that at one Catholic convention he came within three votes of the bishopric.

In this handsome residence Father Leydon lived with an intelligent and discreet housekeeper, who has been with him for twenty odd years. He dispensed his priestly favors among the faithful of his flock with such tender care that all loved him next to the ones at home.

A few months ago this man died, and as his fleeting breath came more slowly he called his well-beloved priest to his bedside and gave into his keeping his three beautiful daughters, Stessas, aged 20; Elizabeth, aged 18; and Margaret, aged 15 years.

'Protect them,' said he, 'and save them from all harm.' The priest ceased praying and said, 'I will.'

The man died and when his will was read the priest was left \$200 and the remainder of the estate was given to the widow and children.

A month or two rolled on and Lizzie, who is as bright and clever as she is pretty, began to notice in her dear sister that which was unusual.

This terrible declaration appalled those who heard it. So firm were they in their confidence that they at first refused to credit what they heard. Then came horror, and that was succeeded by indignation.

The uncle at last reconciled the family to Stessas and Lizzie came to see her. The charge against the priest was more firmly made and Lizzie accused Father Leydon of the crime. He

denied it and hurriedly came to Chicago. Bringing to bear all his influence over the girl's superstitious and taking advantage of her physical weakness he secured from her a brief statement exonerating him from all blame for her condition and charging a wild young hound of Aurora, Joseph English, with the authorship of her ruin.

With this unvarnished paper he hurried back to Aurora and showed it to the family. They were incredulous and searched more thoroughly into the matter.

Stessas Cummings as a child gave promise of the beauty that now is fully developed. She was a bright, intelligent girl and had many superior advantages at home.



Two years ago he first began wooing her, and in his fascinating way wooed well. He made such advances that indicated the tendency of his passion without giving her and opportunity to take offense that would lead her to gossip.

Flattered by the attentions of a man all others almost defied, and petted into an affectionate regard, she listened to his constant instructions in discretion and kept her secret to herself alone.

He was tender, gentle and kind and treated her with the greatest affection. He had secured for her through his influence a position as typewriter in Chicago, but at her solicitation obtained through Congressman A. J. Hopkins a situation in the microscopic pork inspection department of the stock yards.

Along in August she was given a short vacation, and with her father, who was in failing health, went to Champaign county.

One of these letters reads as follows: 'AURORA, Ill., Aug. 23.—MISS STEASAS CUMMINGS—My Dearest Stessas: Your most affectionate and long expected letter reached me yesterday morning, and its arrival and the reading of its contents pleased me more than any language of mine could adequately express.'

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What Home Would do if She Could.

The following editorial from the Catholic Standard of January 11, needs no comment. It shows how long freedom of the press would exist in America if Rome had her way.

In its issue of January 3, that notorious and infamous sheet, 'Pack,' publishes a cartoon, so grossly insulting to Catholics that we shall be greatly surprised if some action be not taken by the district attorney, of New York, to punish its proprietors, and prevent the repetition of similar offenses against the peace of the community.

This does not relieve the authorities in New York, however, from discharging their duty in this particular instance. Let the Catholics of that city see to it that the proprietors of 'Pack' are punished; and hereafter let no Catholic, who has the least spark of self-respect, ever be seen reading this disreputable sheet.

John Ridd has removed his jewelry store to 317 North 16th street, Midland Hotel block.

MRS. WOODARD, at rear of 128 South 15th street, would like to do family washings, and friends having work of this kind are invited to call on her at any time.

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Special Master Commissioner's Sale. In pursuance and by virtue of a judgment and decree of the district court for Douglas county, state of Nebraska, rendered on the 20th day of November, 1904...

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Notice of Sale Under Chattel Mortgage. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a chattel mortgage, dated on the 8th day of March, 1894, a copy of which was duly filed in the office of the county clerk of Douglas county, Nebraska, on the 14th day of March, 1894...

Notice of Sale Under Chattel Mortgage. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a chattel mortgage, dated on the 14th day of November, 1893, a copy of which was duly filed in the office of the county clerk of Douglas county, Nebraska, on the 16th day of November, 1893...

Notice of Chattel Mortgage Sale. Notice is hereby given that by reason of default in the conditions of a chattel mortgage dated July 2d, 1904, entered by W. E. Lane and Annie Lane to W. H. Jallings, and assigned to D. S. Grogg by the said W. H. Jallings, and recorded in the office of the county clerk for Douglas county, Nebraska, on which mortgage the sum of two hundred and seventy-five (\$275.00) dollars, with interest thereon at ten per cent per annum...

Special Master Commissioner's Sale. Under and by virtue of an order of sale on decree of foreclosure of mortgage issued out of the district court of Douglas county, Nebraska, and directed to me, I will, on the 20th day of February, 1904, at 1 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north front door of the county court house in the city of Omaha, county of Douglas and state of Nebraska, sell at public auction the following property enumerated in said mortgage...

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