

NUNS ON THE STAND.

They Say Their Garb Is Simply a Distinguishing Dress, and Deny That Pupils Are Required to Address Them as Sister—Protestant Children Testify.

EBENSBURG, May 4.—Contrary to yesterday's indications, the court proceedings in the Gallitzin school case developed some very interesting features, which in turn involved unexpected staying qualities to-day, and the fight is still on.

At today's proceedings, several Sisters of St. Joseph were on the stand, including Sister Mary John, who taught room No. 8 in the Gallitzin school. Sister Mary John testified that the garb of the order has no significance except as a distinguishing dress, and that there had never been, so far as she knew, any design that the garb should convey instruction, religious or secular.

The Sisters also testified that the pupils in the Gallitzin schools, where they had taught, were neither required nor expected to address the teachers as "Sister." The strange system of grading the schools, in which the larger boys are taught in one room and the girls in another, has no connection with the rules of the order.

Maud Hysong, aged 13, stated positively that the pupils were distinctly instructed to address the teacher as "Sister." She was corroborated by her younger sister. Fourteen school girls were then examined, some of them swearing that the teacher had told them to address her as "Sister," while others had not been told to do so, but they did so as a matter of politeness.

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Fourth—A very great dislike existed and it is said still exists between certain Protestant German Americans and Roman Catholic Poles living contiguous to the Polish settlement. Threats on both sides were said to have been common. The A. P. A. had no part in the matter and its members were not in any way conspicuous in the feud.

Fifth—This city at one time was largely dominated by Romanists—not openly always, but secretly. Hence it may be said that some friction has been developed thereby, especially as to the school truant law.



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ROME'S VAIN EFFORT TO STEM THE TIDE.

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Third—In August last, certain people, said to be Poles, made themselves feared and distrusted in the outskirts of the city by depredations on growing crops &c. Our newspapers called emphatic attention to these violations of law at the time.

Sixth—One of the reasons why such undue and foolish prominence was given to the "gun" affair was that it was seized upon by the local press for politics. And no paper here except the Blade denied a word of the lies told so frequently and maliciously.

her family afterwards wished to communicate with her it was found impossible. An appeal to the Italian Minister of Justice secured an order for entrance, and, against violent opposition, the police forced their way. They found twenty nuns, ragged, wretched, and some of them half insane. Eight of them had been immured in this death trap against their will.

MASONS LAY THE CORNER STONE.

Place the Protest of Effingham Catholics in the Tin Box. EFFINGHAM, Ill., May 12.—The corner stone of the new public school building here was laid today.

The friends of this American order can rest assured that no city, county or any other official were in any way connected with or responsible for the private acts of citizens who availed themselves of an opportunity to buy guns. No sensible person now or at any time has considered the act of the gun buyers as an act of the American Protective Association.

The European press gave an account of a convent in Naples which for four centuries had been shut to all and had been appropriately known as the nursery of the "Buried Alive." It was opened in 1890 by the police and its secrets unearthed.

No Priest's Slave Fit to Hold Office. Take a good look at the first two or three Roman priests you meet on the

street and then ask yourself if you want to vote for a man, to fill any office, who will get down on his knees to one of those fellows and confess his sins as though he was talking to God? Do you want to vote for a man who believes he can get to heaven only through the intercession of such men? Do you want to vote for a man so intellectually settled as to believe that God is forced by his limitations to employ such go-betweens as these fellows to communicate with his children? Do you want to vote for a man so imbecile as to believe the claims of these priests, that they are the only claim agents who can practice in god's court with any show of success?

Public Schools in Mexico.

In Mexico public schools have been established by the government, in which Romanism is forbidden to be taught. The schools there had been under the control of the priests for over 300 years. The results were what might be expected. There are 10,000,000 people there who never saw a Bible, and if they saw one could not read it.

The Vatican a Nest of Thieves.

Only two years ago Mgr. Poehi was dismissed from his office and deprived of his archiepiscopal rank for dishonesty in connection with the Peter's Pence fund, of which he was the treasurer.

GEORGIA'S GOVERNOR DENOUNCED.

Action of Gov. Northen in Appointing Pat Walsh as Senator Condemned.

Editor Cranfill of the Texas Baptist Standard in a recent issue of his paper has the following to say regarding Gov. Northen's appointment of a Roman Catholic to the United States senate: "Argue how we may, Hon. W. J. Northen, vice president of the Southern Baptist convention, and Hon. W. J. Northen, governor of Georgia, are one and the same man."

Romanism in Belgium.

The religious statistics of Belgium for 1890, which were only published towards the close of last year, give the number of conventual institutions and their inmates in the kingdom—229 monasteries, with 4,775 monks, and 1,546 convents, with 25,323 sisters and nuns.

A Noted Converted Priest.

Monignor Bouland, who left Romanism four years ago, preached to 1,000 Frenchmen in New York City recently. Mgr. Bouland was domestic

chaplain to the pope, and also an intimate friend and companion of Cardinal Lavergne. In the course of his sermon he said: "The Roman Catholic church has taken advantage of the separation of church and state in the United States to mass into one great political body, or machine, and the danger it presents to the perpetuation of the Union is imminent. Protestants have need to be aware and be on the alert, because the security they enjoy is false."

AN OPEN LETTER.

To L. H. Smith, Post Com. G. A. R. Horton, Kan.

HIAWATHA, Kan., May 15, 1894.—Sir: You are certainly aware that if you have invited a Catholic priest to officiate on Memorial day, you have disgraced the honorable position you hold, dishonored the graves of your dead comrades, and insulted the Old Flag.

We may have misconstrued your motive. Perhaps you will have the emissary, of a quasi foreign power, read the letter of Pope Pius IX, to Jeff Davis. The trial of the assassins of our martyred Lincoln. It were eminently fitting that on this day, you depict the burning zeal of Rome for the union! Perchance you will have bulled, better than you know, for drastic measures are needed to waken the Protestants who as yet, realize in a spasmodic fashion the danger, soon to be lulled to sleep by the siren-voiced Jesuits who sing of the day, when the "Lion and Lamb shall lie down together."

Defying the Fabrique.

One of the heaviest burdens resting upon the French Roman Catholics of Quebec Province is the fabrique law whereby the people are compelled to contribute to the ecclesiastical funds according to the will of the priests and bishops. When a priest takes it into his head that he would like to build a new church or a convent, the fabrique law is immediately set into operation and each Roman Catholic of the parish is obliged to contribute to the building fund under pain of excommunication.

Grows Frantic Over the A. P. A.

The Chicago Herald grows frantic over the secret non-partisan A. P. A. political organization, but is silent over the greatest secret political organization that has ever existed. It is the secret political organization headed by the priesthood that has given rise to the A. P. A. One secret political organization will produce another secret political organization.