

**A WOMAN INJURED.**

A few weeks ago the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners concluded that they ought to have a matron at the city jail, so they appointed the wife of Officer Cumings to the position. In one respect at least she is just the kind of a woman the board wanted—being large and strong. But then her qualifications are not to be the subject of discussion in this item. Personally we care very little whether she is competent or incompetent. But what we are going to talk about is the charge made by a young lady stenographer who claims to have befriended the Cumings family, and as a return for the assistance to have been thrown down stairs by the matron and kicked at the foot of the stairs, while prostrate and unable to rise, by Officer Cumings. This the matron strongly denies. She admits that she led the young lady to the door of the Cumings domicile, and states that, the steps being wet, the plaintiff herein slipped and fell, rolling to the bottom. Be this as it may, one thing at least is certain, and that is the young lady was seriously injured.

Our police force is composed of some ninety men. Unless there have been some very recent changes, something like eighty of that number are Romanists. To what class do the Cumings belong?

We are informed that the new superintendent of the public schools of Omaha is a Roman Catholic. If this be true, it is not a pleasant fact to contemplate. We have no objection to Catholics as individuals, but we do very seriously object to placing a member

of the politico-religious organization known as the Roman Catholic church in such an important position. It is a notorious fact that that church is the pronounced enemy of our public school system. Its tactics heretofore have been those of open opposition. This having proved unsuccessful its design evidently now is to accomplish its object by indirection. Our Protestant people and all the friends of the public school system should beware of the Jael who comes with apparent cordiality and kindness, proffering the tokens of her friendly regard. Her object is to lull her victim into a fatal security, and then drive the nail through his temple. Our public school system is not safe except when it is in the hands of those who are known to be its friends. —Central-West.

**Sixth and Last Call.**

If the [Rev.] P. F. McCarthy will kindly furnish the public with the facts on which he bases his assertion that—to use his own words—"the Jesuits \* \* \* these black coated villains" did not inspire or impell John Wilkes Booth to assassinate Abraham Lincoln, he will do a large proportion of the reading public herabouts a favor, as many believe Booth was an instrument in their hands. We believe that, but are willing to be convinced otherwise, and are anxious to help erase one stain from the record of the men who have risked and dared so much for the Roman church. By all means let the truth be published if what Father Charles Chiniquy has published to the world for more than a quarter of a century is not the whole, absolute truth. Let us do the Jesuits justice, for God knows they will have enough to answer for without being held accountable for

things they have not done. Don't wait until Father Chiniquy is dead before introducing your evidence in rebuttal.

**NOT THAT KIND OF TRASH.**

A few days ago a daughter of one of our friends was calling upon a young lady who wears the suggestive name of Daugherty. While she was there a very sleek, fat and pompous individual came to the door and inquired whether Mr. John Daugherty lived there? He was very politely informed by the young lady that he did, whereupon the sleek, fat and pompous individual made the mistake of his life, and left no loop hole through which to escape. He followed his first question with, "You are Catholics, I suppose."

"No, sir! We are not that kind of trash!" was the curt reply.

"Strange; strange; Daugherty is an Irish name! And you are not Catholics?"

"No, sir! We are not," and as he turned to go he could not help muttering in a surprised tone:

"Daugherty, Daugherty! and not Catholic!"

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