THE AMERICAN.

OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

What Some Readers of The American' Have to Say

Harry Fischer on Naturalization and Ortigenship Stephen Collins on the Junior Order.

religion

motives of these so-called "Americans."

doing all in their power to injure their own

association in the eyes of all fair minded

The only way to accomplish the objects of

united, harmonious and concerted efforts,

not by jealous opposition to each other

e admission of some of these Kansas

"Americans" that "if the Jr. O. U. A. M. gets

a start there the A. P. O. won't last long," is

as ridiculous as it is injudicious. The policy

of the Jr. O. U. A. M. is to aid and assist every

other patriotic organization, and we believe

various orders, which, while they may differ

in a number of minor details, can all unite

in the common object of the preservation of

Thirty-nine years of steady, healthy

growth, and our immense membership, ex-

tended over the country from ocean to

ocean and from the lakes to the gulf, a bene"

ficial system the result of years of experience.

manency which will resist the assaults of all

The opposition I mentioned is not from

foreign-born members who are ineligible to

membership in the Jr. O. U. A. M., but mostly

from would-be "leaders" who wish to control

their membership politically for their own

preferment. Let all true Americans remem-

ber the old American watchword: "United

As to Immigration.

OMARA, Neb., December 27, 1892 .-- EDITOR

THE AMERICAN-Dear Sir: Much has been

said and much has been written on the sub-

ject of immigration. The United States has

dumping ground for the refuse from foreign

Undoubtedly true it is that there are a

great many persons coming from foreign lands, who are brought here by no choice of

seen, addhe seetral phrase has it, used as a

KANSAS CITY, Mo., December 25, 1892.

STEPHEN COLLINS.

the institutions of our country.

we Stand, Divided we Fall.'

opposition.

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WRITTEN FOR THE AMERICAN. To the Lion

(Number One.)

I will head this "To the Lion," iname of your assuming the name of Leo. It and that thirteen to an unbucky number, and many are afraid of it, but I do not think

an in your position of protainence about affected by the peculiarities of linck. Yet, his one thing is certain, the Jesuits have een recentablished in all their privileges during your reign as the catican monarch. and as the "black pape" is considered more powerful than you, the "white pape," it may be the beginning of a period which will cause disaster to the church.

I do not wish to consider you a popeperson to whom I must how, and kiss your foot is my salutations-I wish to consider you simply a man, the same as I am. As far as your position and chances for heaven are uncerned, I would not exchange with you, and you may not wish to exchange with me. Nevertheless, I am sure you have often been impressed with the thought that "it is a weary head that wears a crown."

Nov. Mr. Pecci. I have many things to write to you, and I am not sure that if I were to write to you a long letter every week, I would have time to say all I wish to say be fore you will be compelled to face your final ecount, as you in your life have made it. You have climbed up to your present position by a miserable stairway, and if it were to break someone would be injured by the fall. I once went up the stairway to the "Cave of the Winds," at Manitou, and I was surprised at many people who would take their families up that flight of steps in order to see an underground passage way. I told the man who had charge of the place, that it was a dangerous stairway, and that it appeared as if someone had broken the board protector on the side and had fallen to the rocks below. He answered: "The stairway is safe. I have seen as many as twenty-one people on it at one time." One person who reached the top of the steps as I came from the trip through the cave was so frightened that it became a serious question respecting the trip down the flight of steps, and was too much exhausted to go through the cave.

I do not say that all the members of your church have ascended to the heights of worldly ambition, that they might go through an underground passage-way in the next world, but I would not want you to ask me how many I thought have taken that trip.

"Be sure you are right then go ahead" is a good motto. "Discretion is the better part of valor" is also worthy of consideration. You should bear these two things in mind as you attempt to manage the affairs of your church. If you are wrong and it is just beginning to dawn upon your mind, be man enough to say you are wrong. If you are determined to storm heaven and earth and take it by force, establish your universal authority upon much and demand of God the keya of heaven, that you may admit or exclude those whom you will, you must re-member that "discretion is the better part of "dian" and the time only come when your followers, will and that the "mistakes of their lives have been many." and that the mistakes of your life have been awful. If you intend to take heaven and earth do not be so terribly proud that you will permit any one to say of you. "Alter Dens in terra." "Another God upon earth." Take possession in the name of the Lord of Hosts and not in

The data P. A. M. is a concentration and here electron to this wise. Separtiticans and excel directly against the Massine Society minimum under it is inherepresented measurements and that all foreigners are out itself, against their whethe teaching. without house as heary everything but much cithense. Who not heave foreigness their plans and habit of throught and wheat it is. It is not no unti-d'atholde negate their charact. If they make to become visimation, not in 11's purpose the shreation of your and have the accounty qualifications any meeting particularie Mencheve of all netwarm do us it not why not heave them, that seet, may be more and "more solitical particular of the control massion about 1 do may again that five yours in bong brought to light, and that this may grows of the Catholics of the United memory ground and as in members of all prooph but I as montraphatically repared avail to check the contagion of the States to in held during the World's Propostant charefully. It is true that a source to any law which allows a foreigner to your ter of the Roman Catholic short-hyanney for such a high office as president. who has maxima a measure of the order, but for all here. But she much by the consistry. that, the order is not opposing the Cathalt

But just one more throught, and that is abcort qualifications. I had studied the con-A member of the floroun clourch example by arituation of the United States as well in the a true manuface of any moved mainly not have by which foreigners are made critican under control of the church. He could not I expected to be asked from fifteen to incast emachine tomals both an order whose object, questions by the clork, instead of that I was can the protection of the American free asked abordovely working, shoply bold up prevar right hannel. choil system, opposed to any neutarian in-Well the I remember when reference therewith opposed to any union of I was one day in the court of Common Pleas hurch or state, etc. The Roman Catholic in Independence Square, in Philadelphia. church is arrayed spained the American in- abdut five years ago, an Irishwan came up diffutions for whose preservation the Jr. 0. to the cherk waying: "I want my citizenship U.A.M. are organized. And have comes in papers." The clock said, "slright John." me strange feature which has developed in After the clork was done, John walked up to my experience. In my efforts to organize the deak to be questioned in regard to his the of the Jr. O. U. A. M. I am in sense] qualifications as a citizen. The first question places opposed next hitterly by members of was: "What is your name?" "John the American Protective Association. Not answered John got along altight so far: but. by the intelligent, sincere members, who are dear readers, wait for the next question. "Do in that association for unselfish devotion to you believe to a republican form of governthe cause they advocate, but by others who ment?" John, thinking by this time that he certainly have not unselfah motives. In had a politician in front of him, and not ourdate, Kausas, where I had a list of knowing yet whether he was a democrat or a twenty-seven names, members of the A. P. republican, and not knowing whether he A, have used every effort to prevent the would gain the favor or disfavor of the cleri organization. They misrepresented out by saying he belonged to one party or the order and have opposed my work in every other, said: "Well, I don't know whether I way. This is not an isolated case, and your will vote democratic or republican." The readers can forto their own conclusions of the clerk then said: "You had better walt a lew years longer and find out which party you The objects and principles of the Jr. O. U. will belong to before you take out your citi-A. M. such as the "restriction of homigracenship papers," and right there refused to tion," etc., are boldly appropriated by these let him have them. Do you believe the clerk over zealous "Americans," and they are

was right? I do. While I would entreat of my fellow citizens to restrict immigration, for which measure you will have the vote and support of every loval citizen, I would oppose and condemn all truly loyal American organizations is by

every measure which had for its object the exclusion of worthy foreigners. Let me say in couclusion, America not for

American-born citizens, but for free men from all countries, who will swear allegiance to the United States without a mental reservation in favor of any foreign pope, potentate or sovereign. Sincerely yours, a Loyal German-American Citizen.

HARRY FISCHER.

A Pertinent Inquiry.

NORFOLK, Neb., December 31st, 1892 .- JOHN C. THOMPSON, EDITOR THE AMERICAN-Dear Sir: I have at different times read sample copies of THE AMERICAN, handed me by friends, and I now send you herewith check for one dollar (\$1.00) to pay subscription for gives the Jr. O. U. A. M. a stability and persame for six months from date. Wishing you necess in defending American institutions against all foreign interference, I am yours respectfully. AMERICAN. P.S.-If it is permissible I wish you would

put in THE AMERICAN a local item as follows: The clergy of the various Protestant denominations are rising to inquire of the managers of railroad lines, why is it that the Roman Catholic clergy receive the favor of annual passes over the rallways while Protestant clergymen receive only the usual onehalf fare permits? Protestant clergymen do more in aid of railroad traffic by way of conventions, annual and semi-annual gatherings, than the Romish clergy, and have as much cause, if not mone, to travel on the railroads, and if the same liberal courtesies were extended to them as is extended to Ro-man Catholic elergymen, they could do much more to build up churches and promote publie welfare. Why this partiality on the part of railroads to Romanism?

The Only Paper.

their own, but by circumstances which are ALLEGHENY CITY, Penn., December 27, 1892. too numerous to mention, some of which MR. THOMPSON-Dear Sir and Brother: perhaps the readers of this journal are What is the matter with THE AMERICAN? I and other Latin Freemasons, has again incessantly to maintain the unity of the e with and then when they are here. have not had one for three weeks. Why is it? I never talssed getting it until after the election. Do you suppose it is because Cleveland was elected, or because I voted for Bidcountry in which they were born and who well, or do the d-d Micks throw it out when have a real desire to become good citizens of they get it in their hands? Please look it up, their adopted country. Some of our grandest for I would rather go without my supper citizens were and are men of foreign birth. than miss a copy of THE AMERICAN. It is the only-paper published in Omaha that any true man or woman should support. It should be a daily. JOSEPH PORTER.

not, as that the prosenuous atrangth of dangerous plague.

successes, the sect of Procemasons inso- William J. Osahan, chairwan and sectently procts its head, and its audacity retary respectively of the committee on no honger seems to know any bounds; organization. The congress will be united to one another by the bond of a composed of delegates from the differcriminal federation, and by their secret [ont discesses and vicarities of the United plans, its adopts lond to each other mo- States as follows: For each discess total support, and incite each other to and vicarite, ten delegates at large and dare and do evil.

for this reason, they everywhere assort, they exclude the most wholesome of the Catholic religion from the laws, and from the administration of a counthat whole states should be constituted outside of the institutes and precepts of the church. And

WHEREAS, adopting the language of of the indendence of the holy see our late Grand Commander, Bro. Albert Pike, in his reply to the said "encyclical letter of Pope Leo XIII: "Nowhere in the world, has Freemasonry ever conspired against any government entitled to its obedience, or to men's respect. Wherever now there is a consti-

the rights of men, and of the people, and the public opinion of the world, it is the loyal supporter of that government. It has never in any country, been the enemy of the people, the suppressor of scientific truth, the stifler of the God-given right of free inquiry, as to the great problems intellectual and spiritual, presented by the universethe exhorter of confession by the rack, the burner of women, and the exhumed bodies of the dead. It has never been Popes, in the Land Discovered by Christhe enemy of the human race and the curse and dread of Christendom. Its patron saints have been St. John the

sters of the inqusition. "It is not when the powers of the papacy are concentrated to crush the and the republics of the world, that the Masons of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in the whatever, proclaim that they have no over it. sympathy with the Masons of the continent of Europe, or with those of publics. If these fall into error of practice, or indulge in extravagance of

and not the beautified chiefs and mon-

CATHOLIC CONGRESS.

Call for a Meeting of Catholics During the World's Fair.

CHECAUD, DOS. 24 --- A call for a confair was issued this evening. It is Haughty on account of its former signed by Archhinbop Poshan and five additional delegates for every 25,000 In truth, with long and pertinaceous of Catholic population in such discose labor, Freemasonry exerts itself for and vicarite, and proportionately for this purpose, that rule of the church fractions of 25,000. The delegates are should be of no weight; that its authors to be appointed by a bishop or the actity should be as nothing in a state: and ing occlesiastical superior of the diocese or vienrite. In addition to the foreand insist, that sacred and civil matters going every Catholic university, college ought to be totally distinct. By this, and seminary for young men shall be entitled to send delegates at large and one additional delegate for every one hundred students. The subjects to be try; and the consequence is, they think considered by the congress are: The social question as outlined by Pope Leo XIII., in his encyclical on the subject of Catholic education and the question

> This dispatch, coming as it does at this time proves conclusively the authenticity of the following encyclical: ENCYCLICAL

> A LETTER FROM POPP TRO XIII TO THE ROMISH WORLD.

> Heretics Cut off From the Church-They Have no Rights-Non-Romish Citizens of the United States Must Have no Privileges-All Papists Absolved From Their Allegiance to the United States Government.

Encyclical Letter of his holiness Leo XIII, by Divine providence Pope. To the Jesuits, Patriarch, Primates, Archbishops, and other Ordinaries in Peace and Communion with the Apostolic Sec of the entire world:

For the temporal reign of the future topher Columbus, known as the United States of America.

Venerable Brethren: Greeting and Baptist and St. John the Evangelist, the Apostolic Benediction, Leo, bishop and servant of the servants of God; be it remembered by posterity that he who is omnipotent in heaven and on earth, hath confided his church, which is one Holy Freemasonry of the Latin kingdoms Catholic, and Apostolical, and out of which there is no salvation, to one man upon earth, namely, to Peter, prince and apostles, and to the bishops of Rome, United States, will, from any motive his successors, with full power to rule

This pontiff alone hath been constituted head over all nations and kingdoms, Mexico, or of the South American re- and invested with power to destroy, to seperate, to scatter, and subvert, to plant, build up, link together by mutual dogma we will dissent and remonstrate; charity, in order to preserve the faithful but, we will not forget that the Free- in the spirit of unity, and to surrender masonry of our Rite has always been them whole and entire to their Savior. the apostle of civil and religious liberty: In order to fulfill the duties imposed and that the blood of Italian, Spanish on us by the divine goodness, we labor forever. Read carefully and ponder Roman Catholic religion which God tified the implements of torture, the hath visited with heavy conflicts to the power of the pope today in America is end, that His own may be tried, and for our correction; but the numbers and powers of the wicked have so far preescaped their attempts to propagate their infectious and detested dogmas

redentited by the Pretestants dwelling in the United Station of America.

With doop sorrow we are now constraimal to have recourse to the arm of justice, and are obliged to take action against a nation that has rejected the state heat downly if a by have a square gate raments.

In virtue, therefore, of the divine an therity by which we have been placed on this supreme throne of justice, an office so superior to our canability, we do, in the plentitude of apostolic power, declare that all heretics and the onrearagers of heresy, together with all adherents, have incurred the sentence of excommunication, and they are tereby out off from the unity of the body of Josus Christ.

Moreover, we proclaim the people of the United States of America to have forfeited all right to rule said republic. and also dominion, dignity and privileges appertaining toit. We likewise declare that all subjects of every rank and condition in the United States, and every individual who has taken any oath of allegiance to the United States in any way whatever, may be absolved from said oath, as also from all duty, fidelity or obedience on or about the 5th of September, 1893, when the Catholic congress ship convene at Chicago, Illinois, as we shall exonerate them from all engagements, and on or about the feast of Ignatius Loyola, in the year of our Lord, 1893, it will be the duty of the faithful to exterminate all heretics found within the jurisdiction of the United States of America.

As the circulation of this bull, by sending to all places, would become a matter of difficulty, it is commanded that copies of it be taken and signed by Jesuit notaries, subscribed by a bishop. and sealed with the seal of our court, they will then have the same power and efficacy as these presents here.

Given at St. Peters, Rome, on the 25th of September, 1891, the fifteenth year of Our Pontificate.

LEO XIII, Pope.

The American Tyler, the leading Masonic paper of the United States, in commenting on the above encyclical says:

It is not necessary to here question how this encyclical letter has come into Protestant possession. In this day of shrewd intelligence, such an edict could not be kept hid. From the cruel teachers of ages, and the machinations of Jesuitism, the world outside the pale of Catholicism, has learned guile and caution. Read this over carefully and then ask whether we have sounded the note of alarm needlessly. Today the Romish power in America is crystalized -with an armed body of over 700,000 men. Protestantism, is disintegrated ... The possibilities of this command of Pope Leo are safely within the bounds of reason. It has taken place before, under a like edict, and can again. Rome is the same yesterday, today and well those of you who cry "peace peace," when there is no peace. . The incalculable and can be put into as lively activity as it was on St. Bartholomew's eve in France. Of course flat unblushing denial on the part of the Catholie-American bishops will be given, as to the authenticity of this bull, but that is one of the dogmas of Jesuitism, in which evil may be done, truth preverted and falsehood sanctioned, that good (?) may come. So does the Catholic priest Mepard, of St. Joachim church in Detroit, Sunday. November 6, deny using the following language, which was taken down by a stenographer from his lips: "When the church needed armed men to enlist as crusaders, the young men of the church shouldered the musket and sabre and obeyed the orders When the church of the church. wanted to get rid of the Saracens the faithful arose en masse and exterminated them. The church may have to call on you to defend her rights in this country, and I know our young men will obey the church again and take up arms to EXTERMINATE THE ENEMIES OF THE CHURCH. History, as a criterion, says this is truth! The Catholic church claims absolute infallibility and never has and cannot err. What it has done before it can and will do again. Rest assured that the ulterior object of Romanism is the final destruction of all it claims to be its enemies, and all heretics whatsoever are so classed.

tutional government, which respects

time will come when you will be compelled to acknowledge that in order to have eternal life, you must in humility come to the foot of the cross, as Mary, the mother of Jesus, came to Him

It might surprise you if Christ were upor earth and came to your palace, and after having told Him of the vast work of the Roman Catholic church. He should say, "Man. what have I to do with thee?" the same as He said to Mary. Then if you would exhibit good judgment, you will not allow a wave of passion to pass over your face. The color might mount to your cheeks and you might say, "Would You utter such words to the successor, of St. Peter to whom You gave the keys of heaven? Your question makes it very evident to me that You are a hypocrite and a deceiver." To which Christ would say many things to show you your true position. He would explain the "keys difficulty," and prove another mistake you have made. The pric of Peter at Rome, and the many traditions of St. Peter would be so clearly proven to you as false, that you would fall upon your knees and begin to pray with all your might to the "Blessed Virgin," which as always been an insult to the King of Kings. Christ at this point might leave you on account of not being wanted.

Think over these things. Prove all things Hold fast to that which is good. ALEPT.

About The Jr. O. U. A. M.

EDITOR AMERICAN:- Your Jr. O. U. A. M unders may feel an interest in learning something of the work of organizing in your neighboring states.

It is seven weeks since I left Omaha for Missouri' for the purpose of perfecting the organization in this state. St. Louis council No. 1 was instituted last February, and although isolated and beset with many difficulties, it has weathered the storms and is now one of the finest councils in the country. They have about 250 members, and are taking them in at an average of a dozen at each meeting. They have a good treasury and officers and are bound to be a grand success Last August 1 instituted council No. 2 at St. Joseph, and shortly after that No. 3 and No. 4 were started in St. Louis by the brother there, who also instituted No. 5 at Trenton No. 6 at St. Louis and No. 7 at De Sota. 1 came to Missouri in November, and on the 9th instituted No. 8 at Erdmore, followed by No. 9 in Kansas City and No. 19 at Sedalla. he state council was then instituted in St uis, and then No. 11 and No. 12 were instited by me in St. Louis. I then instituted 13 at Hannibal, No. 14 at Holden, and No. Kansas City. Bro. Chas. F. Smith, the councilor, put in No. 16 at St. h, and I instituted No 17 at Knobnoster al other councils are under way in as parts of the state, and Missouri will y have an organization which will be ve in accomplishing our objects. The

ils are all doing well, and we have od workers both among the subouncil officers and the state officers instituted one council in Kansas e No. 1 of Kansas City, and several be started right after the holidays.

principles of the Jr. stood we soon get overcome many different sources.

take no interest whatever in the welfare of this great republic. On the other hand, it is true that there are persons coming from foreign lands who were good citizens of the

Anyone who is versed in the history of the United States will readily approve of this statement. Therefore it would not be wise to exclude all foreigners from our shores but folly on the part of the party or partles who would attempt such a move: for it would be crushed out of existence. This was true of the Knownothing party.

Some say that foreigners should reside in this country twenty-one years before being entitled to citizenship. I for one think that five years is long enough in which to become acquainted with this government. As I am of foreign birth, and claim to be a good citizen of the United States, I would like to state a few facts which I have personally observed during my residence here. I came to this country young mough to entille me (according to existing laws) to become a citizen just as soon as l was twenty-one years of age. 1 did not need to take out my first papers, as they are called, but could get my full citizenship

papers at once. I went on the first day of October, 1890, to the district court and procured my citizenship papers, which made me equal to any man under the protection of the stars and stripes. My heart was glad and I rejoiced in the fact that I was now a Citizen of the greatest nation on the face of the globe. But how many there are who value their citizenship as little or nothing. I was astonished when I reached the clerks office, to find a lot of foreigners gathered there, by politicians, to take out their first papers of to become citizens. I thought to myself that there was something wrong either with the court or with the laws, that made citizens by the wholesale of a people who did not know anything of the English language nor of the laws which made them citizens, nor understood the oath which was administered to them by the clerk, in fact they were a people who told by their very countenance that they were some of the lowest, uneducated people that Europe produced. O, what a state of affairs! And who is to blame for this? Every good citizen of this country! Why not make a law which will make it a crime for politiclans to pay for the naturalization papers of such people? Here is one of the greatest evils: Just before the election that year, I was approached by one of the candidates and he handed me a card on which was written:

To F. E. Moones, Esq., Please let bearer have his first papers and charge to Committee. Signed.

I think, I said to the gentleman in question. that I would not need my first papers and would not take the money, even if I had to take a pick and shovel to earn the \$2.50 which character all my life. I think a man who 1884, in his "encyclical letter Humanus does not value his citizenship worth \$2.50 hecomes by this very act, unfit to become a citizen of this great republic. You will find

CHEER FOR MASONS.

Though Opposed by the Pope They can Rely Upon Brother Masons,

The following letter, preamble and resolutions will be read by our brothers of the craft with no small degree of pleasure.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Dec. 19, 1892. Dear Sir and Brothe:--At the close of the Graod Lodge of Sorrow held jointly by the Masonic Veteran Association of the Pacific coast and Gethsemane Chapter of Rose Croix, No. 5, of of the Ancient and Accepted Scotish Rite of Freemasonry, at the Masonic Temple, Oakland, on Sunday evening, December 18th, the following action was taken:

Bro. Edwir, A. Sherman, 33°, as Wise Master presiding, presented the following Preamble and Resolutions by the enemies of free government, and which after being read, were on motion, unanimously adopted by the said Chapter of Rose Croix and unanimously concurred in by a rising vote of this Masonic Veteran Association.

Fraternally yours,

EDWIN A. SHERMAN, Secretary of the Masonic Veteran Association of the Pacific Coast and National President of the Masonic Veteran Association of the United States.

PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, It has been recently pubiely proclaimed to the world through fettered and untrammeled by any the public press, that a new decree has peen declared from the vatican by Pope Leo XIII, against Freemasonry and Fremasons in general, and against our ever dispersed around the globe, who brethern in Italy in particular, a fresh may be engaged in the defense of our warrant for persecution and a new altars and the great light of Free- acknowledge him to be the head of both declaration of war against free govern- masonry, and maintaining that liberty ment and the rights of conscience, re- and truth which makes us, and all men viving the bull of Clement XII, in 1838, free, and found in the Word of God. of excommunication, confiscation and sentence of death, against Freemasons, without hope of pardon; and re-declared sum is required for the same. I told him by every successor to the papal throne the proper channels to the secretary proved that all paliation argument or that I would not have such a stain upon my to the present Pope Leo XIII, who in general of our supreme council at Wash. protest on the part of the United States Genus (or the Human Race) said:

the papers of the various parties saying be- predecessors, we have decided to pro- fully informed thereof.

and again and again glorified and sancscaffold and the stake of the papacy and the inquisition," and

WHEREAS, "The 'father of his country,' our beloved Brother George Wash- vailed, that no portion of the earth has ington and the other Masonic founders of the American republic in carrying out the principles set forth in the being supported, among others, by that declaration of liberty and independence, slave to every species of crime. and forming a constitution in accordance therewith, providing that: "Congress shall have no power to establish religion or to prevent the free exercise thereof," against which the encyclical letter of Pope Leo XIII., in 1884 is directly aimed as well as against Freemasonry, and re-affirmed in his recent declaration made known to the world through the public press, therefore be it

Resolved, That we as Freemasons, loyal to the constitutional government of these United States, to the free institutions and laws of our country, as good citizens, and faithful to the prin ciples of Freemasonry which have fallen under the ban of the pope and the entire papal hierarchy at Rome, we will maintain and defend the same at all hazards whenever they are assailed to which as our Masonic fathers did, "we pledge to each other, our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honors."

Resolved, That we extend our fullest sympathy to our Masonic Brethren of Italy in particular, and to our Brethren of all countries in general, where men are condemned and persecuted for atand the right of each individual soul to cisions. worship its Creator and its God, unpriestly power whatever; and that as Freemasons we will encourage and sustain our Masonic Brethren whitherso-

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon our engraved tablets, a ington, with the request that they be forwarded to the supreme council of

The American republic under Protestant rulers is with the worst enemies of the church where security is offered: this republic having seized upon the lands discovered by Christopher Columbus, a Catholic, and usurped the authority and jurisdiction of the supreme head of the church, the United States is filled with obscure heretics.

The Catholics have been oppressed and the preachers of iniquity established.

The sacrifice of the mass, prayers, fastings, abstinence, celibacy and all the rites of Catholicity have been ignored by Protestants.

The United States has been filled with books containing the most flagrant heresies, of which the Protestant version of the Bible is chief. And not content with adopting its false and impious doctrines, proselyting has been resorted to, to turn the Catholics from the one true church. The whole Roman Catholic hierarchy and priesthood of the world have been deprived of their livings by the heretics of America.

Courts have been set up and rendered decisions in ecclesiastical causes, and tempting to exercise the God-given the people forbidden to acknowledge rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of the authority of the Roman church, or happiness, the freedom of conscience to obey its ordinances and canonical de-

> Naturalization oaths have been de manded in order that the subjects of the true church might be made to subscribe to the United States constitution, with its impious laws and nefarious teachings to compel them to renounce the true authority of the Catholic pontiff; to dischurch and state, whereby those who have persevered in the faith have been compelled to suffer spiritual afflictions.

The Catholic bishops and clergy have been deprived of vast lands, and this is copy of the same be forwarded through known to all nations, and so clearly is unavailing.

We find, moreover, that impiety and "Now therefor by the example of our Italy that our Italian Brethren may be crime have increased, that persecution against the religion of Rome has been avenue. Wagon delivery

Catholics all over America are armed and drilled for instant action. What shall this harvest be?

The White Sewing Machine Has no Equal,

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