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OMAHA, FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1893.

The American is the champion of all patriotic ideals—the organ of noise.

The pope and Jesuit Sherman will be handled without gloves by Rev. Murray, pastor of Hanson Park M. E. church, Sunday evening, May 28, in his sermon entitled "Christ and the Republic."

A DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

Hon. Thos. J. Morgan, commissioner of Indian affairs under President Harrison, was one of a number of prominent Baptists who passed through Omaha Tuesday on their way to Denver.

HEALTHY LITERATURE.

General Thos. J. Morgan recently delivered a lecture upon Romanism in Music Hall, in Boston, which was fairly alive with salient points, uncontrovertible facts and good common sense.

A careful perusal of such literature will convince any fair-minded person that it is not the individual Romanist which is being opposed by men who belong to patriotic orders, but the monster corporation which has fastened its tentacles upon its members so as to increase its political power and in the end make them the abject slaves.

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church is an inflexible guide in matters of religion, she can and does err in her educational policy, since where there are no public schools how if any private schools are maintained by the church, and as a consequence these countries which are most thoroughly Roman Catholic are also deplorably ignorant.

This movement, however, should not be confined to liberal Romanists, but should extend to those sleepy Protestants who are unaware that political Rome is seeking ascendancy in this country.

Send your friends, your neighbors and your relatives some good, wholesome American literature. Let them know the truth. A good thing to send is our supplement and samples of THE AMERICAN. Help spread the light.

Does Rome exercise a censorship over the public press? This is a vital question. Rev. Lansing says she does, and everything tends to prove the truthfulness of his statement.

The Bee devoted to a review of Jesuit Sherman's lecture, 2 columns. To a review of Rev. Crane's lecture, 1 column.

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If not able to do that, it becomes a source of disturbance and more or less a disease. Or suppose a counter-organizing force enters, such as the microbes of consumption or cancer in man, then results an appropriation of nutritive material which should go to nourish the body, a change of tissues, a perversion and undermining of organic force of the body and, finally, slow, perhaps, but sure death.

Let us apply this law to the organic life of a nation, and specifically to our own. Every nation has some fundamental principles by which its organic life is determined and maintained.

It follows, in order that the government may live, that the citizens who form this motive must know and believe those principles; for every one who does not believe it becomes a foreign element and counteracting force.

The knowledge of and belief in the principles of our national organization being essential to our national life, in self-defence it becomes, not only the right but the duty of the government to educate the people in the principles upon which it is founded.

In all this a man's religious rights remain untouched. He may teach his child Christianity, Mahomedanism, Buddhism, or any other religion, so long as it is confined to religion.

Let us look at the underlying principles of the church of Rome. We will consider them only so far as to contrast them with those of our government.

This is directly opposite to the principles of our government. Our government is founded upon the principles of individual rights and intelligent consent, the other upon authority and unquestioning obedience.

It may be said this is erecting the state into an infallible body, and you are only replacing the church with the state. Let us see if this is true.

When the founders of our government were seeking a basis for a government to maintain the freedom and rights of man, they threw boldly to the world the declaration of the self-evident truths of those rights.

just as necessary as are its foundation truths, and intelligence in our citizenship is the safety of the republic. This intelligence is secured by education. What education is the state interested in? First the means by which knowledge is acquired and conveyed to others.

The life and safety of the republic rests upon the intelligence and virtue of her citizens, it is therefore not only her rights, but her duty to educate her citizens in the broadest principles of truth and correct morals.

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

The official account of the subscriptions sent to the pope on the occasion of his jubilee contains some curious items. France, supposed to be irreligious, sent \$450,000; Austria, the pious, \$300,000; Great Britain, which is Protestant, \$240,000; Germany, which is mixed, \$70,000; Turkey, which is Mussulman and Greek, \$10,000; and Ireland, which is "fervently Catholic," \$3,750.

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If this be true there must be some underlying principle as a reason for it. I lay this proposition down as a universal law. Every organism must mould its constituent elements into conformity with the laws of its organization.

It is taken up and by the organic force within the organism, is formed into tissues of growth or force and activity, such as contributes to the life and well-being of the organism.

with loyal Protestant American citizens.

Private Sherman undoubtedly trades a great deal more on his father's popularity than on his own abilities.

Of late years in Ireland the number of "Orangeism" has become comparatively few; but now, under the shadow of that fearful nightmare Home Rule, or more correctly speaking, Home Rule, men both in the south as well as in the north of Ireland, and in Canada and England also, are once more enrolling themselves in large numbers into "Orange Lodges."

The Perils of the Hour.

Was the title of a paper read by Rev. C. F. Heywood at the Ministerial Association of the Grand Island District North Nebraska Conference M. E. Church, in session at Central City May 8, 9 and 10, 1893:

"The subject opens up a wide range of thought—both secular, political and religious; in fact more than can be touched in the limited time allowed for a paper in a gathering like this.

"There are so many perils menacing us as a nation, and they are so interwoven in our social, political and religious life, that it is difficult to separate them and treat each separately as their importance deserves.

"But we will glance at a few (as that is all we can do) which we consider important and which involve problems of a serious character, which, if they are ever met, and settled, they must be met and settled by the religious and moral elements of this nation.

"The first we will notice is ignorance, and by this we do not mean altogether the inability to read and write, though there is a fearful lack of knowledge in these directions in this land of common schools and colleges.

"But there is another phase of ignorance we wish to notice, namely—that ignorance of the laws and institutions of this nation, so common among our foreign born citizens.

"The next peril we will notice is the purchasable vote—and this is not altogether confined to the ignorant voter—many are ready at every election, both municipal, state and national, to sell their votes for a consideration, and that is often very small, many being ready to vote for the men who will treat with the cigars or whiskey.

"Every stripe of that flag is bright with the light of liberty; every star of azure blue is the emblem of the power and grandeur of the great American government, and it is our duty as American citizens to see to it that that flag shall never be trailed in the dust either by a foreign or domestic foe.

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ruption of public men who are interested with the people's business and with the handling of the people's money. Everywhere comes the cry of corruption from municipal, state, and national governments, and defalcation of those who were made the custodians of the people's money, whether public or private.

Unrestricted foreign immigration is still another source of peril; many of our foreign immigrants are vicious, lawless and degraded, and belong to the vilest classes of the Old World, and this country is made the dumping ground for all that is vile and immoral, and they are immediately incorporated into our body politic, and remaining for the most part in our cities, are used by unscrupulous men and become a dangerous element, and at last demand and obtain offices of profit and trust to the detriment of the public service and the good order of society.

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The Juniors Entertain.

On Friday evening, May 19th, the members of Washington Council No. 1, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, entertained their friends in their council room in Goodrich hall. The room was well filled, and enthusiasm ran high. The meeting opened by singing "America," followed by prayer by Rev. W. K. Beans.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I was called upon yesterday and told that I was expected to answer to the sentiment, tonight, of the "American Flag."

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