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THE AMERICAN IS THE CHAMPION OF ALL PARTISAN ORDERS—THE ORGAN OF NONE.

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THE Roman Catholics of Paris, France, have become entangled in the anarchist plots.

ANDY HALEY whisky is flowing freely. Some votes can be liquidated by this means, but it will not catch American voters.

THE church of Rome is always an obstructionist. It is opposed to progress of any kind.

OUR friends have read, no doubt, the awful story which we publish this week on the fifth page.

GOVERNOR STONE has seats reserved for him at the Roman Catholic churches, and comes many miles to fill them.

BE CAREFUL OF YOUR SUFFRAGE.

THE mayor of Brooklyn, N. Y., has taken a stand which deserves notice.

POLICE JUDGE JOHNSON is showing a fine hand in upholding would-be assassins.

Excessive taxation must cease; mob violence must not be permitted, and every specie of lawlessness must be curbed.

Let patriotic American readers hand a copy of this letter to some open-hearted Protestant who makes it his

HOW ROMANS WORK.

Our friends will pardon us if we call their attention to the way Romans work. As soon as a Roman Catholic receives a position with a corporation, or in a business house, he immediately begins to systematically build himself up and to tear down his fellow Protestant employees in the eyes of the employer.

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the Roman Catholic church or in sympathy with that political organization, because she is in sympathy with and encourages every kind of crime, for crime is sin, and without sin her occupation would be gone.

There is great religious excitement among the people of the town of Jerez, Mexico, and surrounding country, over the appearance among them of a beautiful young girl, who pronounces herself to be their patron saint, Anita.

MARCY K. BROWN has ridden his political horse until it can only propel itself by the push process.

AGAINST THE ROMISH LAW.

For a Romanist to Subscribe Money for a Protestant Charity.

Rev. D. D. Moore, editor of the Cincinnati Western Christian Advocate, some time ago applied to R. R. Springer, a wealthy Romanist of Cincinnati, for a subscription in aid of the Wesleyan college, at the same time stating in his communication that it had been asserted that Romanists were debarred from giving to Protestant bodies and he wished to dispel what he assumed to be a gross illusion.

The answer came and ran as follows: DEAR SIR: Your favor of the 5th inst. asking aid for your college received. I fully believe in the great advantages of a liberal education for both sexes, but being a member of the Holy Roman Catholic and apostolic church, and believing that religious instruction should form an important part of education, I could not, with a clear conscience, aid in teaching what I did not believe in, thus confirming what you preface your letter with, "that Catholics never aid a Protestant cause."

This from your standpoint may be regarded as liberal, but is right, nevertheless, as we view our duty. Yours truly,

R. R. SPRINGER.

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THE POPE AND HOPKINS.

A dispatch from Rome dated March 2, 1894, says that on the occasion of the celebration of his 84th birthday, and the sixteenth anniversary of his coronation, the pope today delivered an address, in the course of which he said:

We are in the decline of life; but shall continue to the last day of our life to devote myself to making the beneficent action of the church universally felt.

The need of this is great, for all the old conceptions of honesty, justice, authority, liberty, social rights, and social duties have been overthrown.

The church must seek to recall the nations to the principles of moral faith, point out the true causes of the existing evils, denounce the designs of Free Masonry, imbue the different classes of society with a feeling of equity and charity, inspire rulers with rectitude, and the governed with submission, and instill in all an ardor for peace.

A few days after the above appeared in the Inter Ocean, we found the following statement:

In his zeal to fill all the places in the city hall with "suitable democratic substitutes," Mayor Hopkins has caused to be discharged a number of Masons of high degree.

The well-known enmity of the papists toward this society gives color to the statement made yesterday by a prominent Mason, that all who belong to that or any other Protestant order are doomed.

Appended is a list of prominent Masons and Knight Templars whose heads have fallen:

Inspector Ross, police department, a thirty-second degree Mason.

Captain John P. Beard, police department, thirty-second degree Mason.

Robert A. Smith, cashier board of public works, thirty-second degree Mason.

M. E. Snowden, inspector sewerage department, thirty-second degree Mason.

Foreman Costello, water main department, thirty-second degree Mason.

Special assessment Clerk Bryer, Knight Templar.

B. F. Davenport, chief of the house drain department, Knight Templar.

Richardson, water office, thirty-second degree Mason.

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With the exception of Inspector Ross, who was let out for political reasons, these men have never been given the satisfaction of knowing definitely in what direction their offense lay.

They have been dismissed after years of faithful service. One of them was told that he was "too old."

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business to subscribe to Romish charities. It is a poor rule that don't work both ways.

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ROMANISM IN AMERICA

The Roman Catholic Church as a Factor in Politics.

Some Facts and Figures Demonstrating the baleful influence of the Roman Catholic Church.

The Roman Catholic church is the mightiest organization on the face of the earth. This statement is true for a three-fold reason:

1. It is possessed of a might of endurance such as has been manifested by no other institution. For more than twelve centuries it has serenely held on its way, undisturbed by the mutations of time and unharmed amidst the wreck of nations, and the destruction of empires.

It is the sole survivor of all the institutions born under, and fostered by, the Roman empire. That mighty empire itself—in many respects the greatest and mightiest political organization with which history makes us acquainted—perished long centuries ago; but the Roman church remains, having successfully withstood the hostile agencies that destroyed that vast imperial power, the ravages of time, and the persistent and impetuous attacks of numerous and powerful foes.

Though hoary with age, it shows no symptoms of desuetude or decay, but is even now contending sturdily, valiantly and vigorously with all comers for the leadership of the world. It is also everywhere putting forth Herculean efforts for its own advancement and aggrandizement; and in carrying out its plans and purposes, it displays a persistency, energy, astuteness and wisdom unequalled by any of its rivals.

2. It has the might of multitudinous millions of ardent adherents. Not less than one-sixth of the world's population is sheltered in its fold. Its votaries are found in every land and on every sea; they speak all languages, embrace all classes, colors and conditions of mankind, from the humblest peasant to the proudest prince. This diversified host of adherents is moulded into a homogeneous mass by their common love of loyalty to the church in which they have been reared and nurtured; and by their unquestioning obedience to the hierarchy—whose will is their law. The faithful Catholic everywhere displays a degree of zeal and devotion to the interests of his church, and of obedience to its authority, unparalleled by the members of any other ecclesiastical organization.

3. It is mighty in its methods of administering and conducting the vast and varied concerns under its care and control. So perfect and complete is it in all its appointments, and so thoroughly adapted are its methods of procedure to attaining the desired end, that England's great historian, Macaulay, felt impelled to pronounce the following eulogy upon it: "The polity of the church of Rome is the very masterpiece of human wisdom. The experience of twelve hundred eventful years, the ingenuity and patient care of forty generations of statesmen, have brought that polity to such perfection, that among the contrivances which have been devised for deceiving and controlling mankind, it occupies the highest place." The power that operates and makes effective this astute polity is the pope and the college of cardinals, who, from their headquarters at Rome, direct and control the affairs of the church in every land, and thus give homogeneity to the vast and varied hosts that compose the Roman Catholic church; all of whom are pledged to faithful and unflinching obedience to the mandates of their spiritual rulers. The administration of the pope and his advisers is characterized by shrewdness, persistency and vigor, and, inasmuch as they are able to direct the influence and activities of the mighty forces under their control in any channel they may choose, the church of Rome under their direction has always proved itself to be a dangerous foe when its resentment has been aroused, or a powerful friend and ally to any cause which it may have espoused.

This mighty organization has been increasing with great rapidity in this country during the current century. At the beginning of this century there were, in round numbers, 100,000 Roman Catholics in the United States. Today this church lays claim to one-sixth of our population. This great increase of one hundredfold in the Catholic population of this country during the last nine decades is almost wholly due to the fact that during that time many millions of immigrants have flocked to our hospitable shores, most of whom have come from Catholic countries and were of the Catholic faith. These immigrants and their descendants constitute, in the main, the membership of the Catholic church in America today.

This great increase in the numerical strength of the Catholic church in this country would be a matter of little moment if that church, like other christian bodies, were simply an ecclesiastical organization engaged in spreading the Gospel and devoted to the spiritual and moral elevation of mankind. But the facts of history show conclusively that wherever the Roman Catholic church has gone on its ecclesiastical mission, it has, as soon as it has obtained place and power, boldly entered

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