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FATHER OF THE A. P. A.

For an Education.

In Early Life He Believen That Maryland Public Schools Were Abalished by Jeanits,

CLINTON, IA., March 28.-This city Is the cendle of the American Protecti-Ive Association, that organization which is better known by its initials, and here lives the man in whose mind. was concelered the idea of to ming such an association and who backed up his but the surgery part of it was too much Ideas with work and muney. Seven for his nerves, and he abandoned it and years ago, March 13, 1887, Henry F. began roading taw. Not long after he Bowers called a meeting at his law office, in the Toll block, and established courts and served for a time as deputy. this order. To give the causes loading and following this he acted in a similar up to the formulation of the principles | capacity in the county recorder's office. embodied in the A. P. A., it will be In 1872 he was elected recorder of Clin necessary to give a biographical sketch | ton county, and two years later was reof its fathur.

Henry F. Bowers was born in Baltimore, Md., August 12, 1817. His father office. October 25, 1870, he married mother a native of Massachusetts and Ohio. She died in 1878. In 1877 he of English parents. His mother came was admitted to the lowa bar. The of a family of the most ardent religious same year he opened up a law office in enthusiasts. One of her uncles, Nelson this city, and while actively engaged Reed, was one of the co-workers of Dr. in the pursuit of his profession com-Coke in establishing Methodism in the manded a lirge and incrative practice. United States in the early days of the He was one of the most sought-after ropublic. Thomas Barton, of Nowark, lawyers in Clinton county. He was ad-William Baker, was a minister of the and district courts in 1882. From 1878 Church of England, but subsequently to 1882 he held a special commission as renounced that creed and became a Ro- aide-de-camp on Governor Gear's staff, a graduate of the public schools of Ger- years he had spent in getting his edumany and served his time in the Ger- cation the thoughts filled his mind of man army, rising to the rank of lieu- the misfortune of his early days, when tenaut.

the age of 11 years when he was left own language, in answer to an interro-



to ge about in crubbles.

ontered his seal.

PECAME A PROSPEROUS LAWYER. For two years he shalled medicine with a view of becoming a physician, ntered the office of the clerk of the elected by one of the largest majorities ever given a candidate for a county England's history. Bower's father was profession. But through all these added to a splendid showing of local ality behind them, and Alderman he was deprived of schools when he

covery was only gained after being so states have been regarized by him per- that banner that welcomes from the raged at poor innocent Morthan Pess and huntery of this mentby and a little Henry F. Bowers and His Struggle afflicies for two years as to be competited somethy, while he has delivered somes her quarters of the globa the uppressed block and something him severally. Inst is ward polition he would not have of hectores. But six years of the hard- of all mations. Here I expected from Greene revitated the wound by every biundered into inclaring the A. P. A. The most fow years was devoted to ships attendant upon these labors was my countrymen the reception that I means to his power and pair Mervikan for to "against the conscitution," It is cabinet-making, while his unemployed all that his hostin would stand, and at throught I was entitled in the open Per Block sten died. In Device dek- the province of any man in your for time was spent in diligent study. As the expiration of his term as supreme hand of followahip. Financial and I ened noor, and, after a brief illness, when he plannes, or to refuse to voke

the office of state president, an office traduction that I brought with me to can public and liberty

mounters. PERSONAL SIDE OF THE MAN. Paysically Mr. Howers is nearly six basicol. Most of the Irish sociation feet tall. His voice is kindly and, were barred against me by reason of

specimens. -For the last seventeen years Mr.

Young Bowers had scarcely reached most needed them, and, to quote his associations, has erved in the city council, and held numerous other offices. the A. P. A.

A PROTESTANT IRISHMAN.

The American Protective Association and the Irish.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 12 .- The present danger that confronts the Roman Catholic church in this country is one. largely of its own creation, and owes its origin to the lines upon which it has run the party with which it mainly affiliates north of Mason and Dixon's ner, to one of the rocks ahead upon line. The active element in the Catho- which they are drifting in this latter lie party in this country is unques ionably the Irish. That race takes to Irish Protestant, in Inter Ocean. politics with the same avidity and the same case that the newly fledged duckling takes to water. From his infancy the Irishman is a politician, but there is this difference between his action political on both sides of the big pond: have a Protestant as its mouthpiece; gerald, Robert Emmett, Wolfe Tone, rish Catholic in Ireland ever trusted In this country however the case publication but as a proof of good faith.

ha acquired knowledge to began to president to decided a re-election. He did not require, having saved a soft- died, her has words being. "I should for any man for any reason whatsaver, bread over the past. He saw and real- has not ceased his work on furthering chency out of the wreck of my prospects have killed the member, Geromi, when It is likewise the province of any man troi the value of education, and when this association, but is as enthusiastic at home. I met with a chilly escop Aya warned me." he thought of how he was deprived of as ever, bandling an immense correspication. "Oh, guai the ---- a wore liberal early opportunition is learn, the tion pondence on the subject. At a mosting emouph, but they did not belong to us." of the state organization at Kookuk a Those were the words that I had more the A. P. A. and root out the mointer,

> which has jurisdiction over 53,000 premiment Irishmon here were received with the atmost courtesy and were as constandy dropped in the waste

while his eyes twinkle and around them my crossd, and members of those that ire the lines of good humor, there is in wore open suggested to me that unless them a screwdness one cannot fail to 1 "married a good Catholic girl and dotest. His domeanor is quiet and he 'went in' with her people," I would is never more perfectly contented than stand little show of ever being ad. said that there are new 7,000 members when seated in his own cory library mitted to them. When I became a reading. Much of his time is spent in oitiz n I trained with the democratic to light today that trouble on St. Patthis manner, especially in the evenings. party, to which I still belong, and that rick's Day between the Hibernians and lature is ongaged in this kind of work was a Rhinelandor Bavarian, and his Miss Emma V. Crawford, a native of He is never found in his office after 6 party made use of me in many camo'clock, but he never goes to bed until paigns, in which I was always foisted fter midnight. The continuous hard upon the public as a typical Irishstruggle of his early manhood has made | American, my education, coupled with him sympathetic to a marked degree. the naturally fluent tongue of my coun-More as a pastime than anything else trymen, being found useful to the Mr. Howers has delved into geology, leaders. But a pat on the back, and a police. It has been the rule in police mineralogy and conchology, and now "good fellow, well done," was all the has one of the finest collections of spec- reward I ever received or expect to re-Del., the great Baptist elergyman, was mitted to practice in the supreme court imens in this part of the state. It is ceive, for I am far from a millionaire, another uncle; while yet another uncle, in 1879, and in the United States circuit valued at \$5,000. His fine mineral col- and have twice applied for minor offices lection was presented to him by Prof. under the municipal government only Hanks, of San Francisco, at that time to see men who were well off and needes state geologist and superintendent of not the office receive what would have man Catholic. She was a daughter of with rank of lieutenant colonel of cav- mines of California. His conchological been to me a welcome boon, but these Captain Lewis, famous in the annals of airy. Until 1887 he followed his chosen collection is the gift of different friends, men had a church and a definite nation-

> "Billy," Commissioner "Micky," o "Father O Flin," saw them through. Bowers has been the head officer of one Once or twice, when I was getting too of Clinton's most successful building near to what I sought, mutterings of "deputy" commenced to fly round, and were repeated by men who knew my He has lately received a challenge from record in Ireland, and knew well that I ago on joint debate on the question of man by reason of his creed, but I was outside the fold, and should be kept so at all costs, even at the cost of falsehood

Like the colored brother in a "Texas Steer," I have come to the conclusion that "office seekin's mighty poor business," and have long since quit the pursuit, but I give my experience, without a thought of malice, for the benefit of the entightened members of my national ty and party, and to point, even in a halting and imperfect manend of the nineteenth century .- An

A Fable -The Child and the Kitten. By DAISY MAC.

A great many years ago there 1 ved a giant named George. He was very strong, and whenever he met a strange that in Ireland, with the solitary ex- ha would pick a fight with him. If superintendent avoided trouble by reception of O'Connell, he has always had George succeeded in thrashing the versing the rule of the police depart-Protestant leaders and has followed stranger he would compel him to be ment. them implicitly, whilst here the Prot- his slave. These slaves he placed on estant Irishman in the democratic his farm and made them work for him. party must always take a back seat. In Many of the slaves married, and some a struggle between a Catholic nation of them had large families. These and a Protestant power, such as that families George located at different between Ireland and England, the places on his farm and let them work Irishman was shrewd enough to see there subject to his orders. Every that it aided his cause immensely to month the fathers of these familles went to George's house and had a meethence the life work of Edward Fitz- ing there. At these meetings George presided and all the fathers had a vote. the brothers Sheares, Mitchell, Smith The object of the meetings was to de he discovers that the American people O'Brien, Isaac Butt and Parnell. The cide what was best to do for the general are at last throwing off the stupor good of the farm. For some reason which has blinded their vision these women who had received the benefits of and followed his Protestant brother George would not allow the father of many years and are finally becoming the youngest family, which was named aroused to the conditions which con-Merrika, to attend these meetings, front them today. He seems still more presents a far different aspect. Here The family very naturally objected to alarmed when he learns that at last working, without having some say in men have been found who are ready been inside of a school house, for it was crations might not suffer as 1 had by "on top." He holds office, from that of the management of the farm, and they and willing to defend this government, alleged that the Jesuits had control of reason of their absence. I therefore constable to congressman, and, disre- finally revolted. They were success- by their lives if necessary, against any garding the services rendered to his ful in the revolution, but the larger antagonistic society, whether that sounhappy country by his Protestant portion of the family were killed. At ciety be social, religious, or political, education whatever, and only 11 years danger that I believed menaced the brother, converts his "infloonce" into a the commencement of the revolution a but he has yet to learn, however, that old, he was confronted by the task of grandest of all-our public institutions. close communion. For I defy the best- child had been born to this family, neither the A. P. A. nor any other caring for himself and mother. But he Akin to this was a seeming disposition, informed Irishman in America to point which they named Le Bertle. Le organization with which I am familiar had been taught to work, and the next or at least was apparent to me as 1 to a single frish Protestant in the Bertle grew rapidly and soon was a attacks or opposes any man or set of nine years of his life were spent in a viewed it, a desire on the part of cer- democratic party who holds high or beautiful young woman. When Le men "simply on the ground of differblacksmith and machine shop, and tain nationalities dominated by the even mediocre office who is not at least B rtie was a little child she used to ences in their religious beliefs and life,* married to a Roman Catholic and hav- play with a boy called Poo Bleak. This as he asserts. We care nothing for any I enclose my card herewith, not for grow and had learned to love her. Poo he pleases. But we do most strenuously Bleak was an ardent wooer and soon he object to any political organization or and that the statements I am about to was wed to Le Bertie. The union was movement manipulated under the mask make are veracious. I belong to the a very happy one. They had one child, and guise of a church and claiming "ruling race," was born in the garden which they named Merrikan Poo amnesty thereby. We attack no man's of Ireland, the magnificent golden vein. Bleak. He was a beautiful child and religion, but we draw the line when he Am a Protestant, as have my fore- gave promise of being a credit to his makes a political machine of it, and shows that there are 3,949,738 Catho-So, in the early spring of 1877, an fathers been since the founder of our parents. The child grew and thrived it's the political end of the so-called lies and 1,188,696 Protestants in that organization was perfected in this city stock fled to that country after the and became more beautiful every day Roman Catholic church, or the Roman- island. Catholics are the most numermoney and working without compensa- priest, the scion of an ancient Irish child took the kitten and placed it in who recognizes first a foreign ceclesi- terians.

THE MODAL.

The public should level the advice of reason. short time ago he was induced to accept than once overheard. Letters of in- R mm, below it kills both the Ameri-

OBJECTED TO AN A. P. A.

Why Capt. Campbell Was Not in Charge St. Patrick's pay in Indianapolis.

TROTANADMAS, Ind., March 21.-The feeling between the Catholies of this city and the members of the A. P. A. and the public becomes aware of our is becoming exceedingly bitter. It is true purpose and objects we will have of the A. P. A. in Indianapolis. B came the A. P. A. was narrowly averted, The fact that Captain Campbell did not oaths, objects, etc., of the Clan-nahave command of the platoon of police Gaels, Hibernian Rifles, Continental that led the parade has caused some comment, and when the reason became Order of St. Patrick, etc., which, no known it made a sensation among the doubt, would horrify Mr. Fonn greatly. circles for the night captain to take charge of the police on day parades, and with the oath of the Clan-na-Gaels. he has the selection of detail. When it Mr. Fenn, however, is probably familiar became known that Campbell would have charge of the police the Hibernians and other Irish societies protested the United States permits him to enter against him.

A meeting of the officers was held and it was decided to ask Superintendent Powell to select some other officer. call on Superintendent Powell. Donnelly said there were reasons why the Irish societies did not want Captain religion? Is he aware that, should this Campbell in command. Superintendent Powell explained that it was the custom Ignatius Donnelly to meet him in Chic- s as the last person to quarrel with any for the night captain to have charge of day parades. Donnelly replied that he would have to dispense with the police in the parade if Captain Campbell was upon which we collected damages from in charge. He asked the superintendent to lead the men or detail any patrolman, sergeant, detective, or any member of the force, and it would be satisfactory. Superintendent Powell detailed Captain Quigley, an Irishman. Donnelly did not give reasons for objecting to Campbell, but the complaint that all those who accept her hospiwas made by the Hibernians that Campbell is an A. P. A. When the police appeared on the parade grounds, Donnelly sent an aid to ascertain who taken. They accept the invitation, was in command of them, and if Camp- then presume to run the nouse, and, if Members of the American Protective Association who knew of the objection to the senior captain of the police force, were anxious to have the superintend- Hef: Shut the door on newcomers and

ent of police insist that Captain Campbell should lead the parade, but the

forer and for buckyo weeks hay in a pro- he sortana with removed energy. Here and class, and sean hered a city forank. Not mag after, Muremo, who Had Mr. From devoted a little more cations condition, and his complete re- drate of connects in the conthworkers non of the world, moking ratego cantor was now a full grown wat, because on time to the study of the constitution to employ whem he phones or reliant to employ any one with or without a

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Mr. Fonn further declares that the logislature of this state as well as comgross should investigate this terrible security. Had he submitted his article to Archbishop Postsan or others more wary than himself this would have been eliminated. Nothing of the kind is desired. We, however, are ready and willing for an investigation at any time, and when it shall have been made instead of a membership of 80,000 accredited us by him one swelled to 800,-000. And, incidentally, while the logiswe will furnish them with the rituals, League, Catholic Order of Foresters, If space permitted I should like to furnish the readers of The Eccaing Post with it and therefore I should like to ask him if he thinks the constitution of into an oath-bound conspiracy against

a foreign neutral power? Does he still oppose the A. P. A. because he thinks it opposes his religion and yet approves Maurice Donnelly, county recorder, who of the objects of the Clan-na-Gael in was grand marshal, was appointed to trying to interfere between England and Ireland in behalf of the latter when the principal difference is one of society ever become strong enough to accomplish anything, the British government would have a just claim against the United States for damages by virtue of the same international law that government on account of the "Alabama" episode during the late war. Apparently Mr. Fenn might profitably reflect on this subject. America like a generous host, has opened wide her doors, saying. "Come all who will," reasonably supprsing tality will, in their gratitude, conform to the liberal ideas of the host, but in this she has been most woefully misbell was, to request the police to retire. strategy has to be resorted to to prevent it, they denounce the host as a religious bigot. Ye gods, what a spectacle! Apparently there is but one resitdown on those who a calready here.

H. F. BOWERS, FOUNDER OF THE A. P. A.

without a father, that parent having gation as to the causes which led up to taken passage on a steamer for Germany the founding of the A. P. A.

which was wrecked in mid-ocean, and all on board went to the bottom. This left him the only support of his mother, thirty years he experienced more of the west. They came to Clinton, Iowa, of this government led up to the formalanding at De Witt, April 1, 1857.

MAKES A FAILURE OF FARMING.

This country was then new, the Chieago and Northwestern railroad having gave up the farm and removed to De before being mustered into the service

UNFORTUNATE INTOLERANCE. "Seeing around me so many men and and from this time forward for the next an early education and knowing the dis and the trust was never betrayed. position of the hierarchy to destroy the downs of life than fell to the average public schools, I felt a deep interest in youth of that period. He had never their preservation, so that coming gen- the Irishman is, to use the vernacular, Maryland, and had subsequently abol- went about formulating some plan by ished all the public schools. With no which I might arouse the people to a working at the carpenter's trade. At same power, directed and guided apthe age of 17 he could not tell the time parently by the same hand, to attempt ing his children raised in that faith. of day from the clock. By the time he to control and direct the political mawas 20 years old, by dint of hard work chinery of this nation. This combinaand frugality, he had saved sufficient tion of seeming aggression from an money to bring him and his mother ecclesiastical power beyond the confines

tion of this organization.'

COUNCIL NO. I IS ESTABLISHED.

been built only as far as De Wit. Young and Council No. I was established with fatal field of Nasby and the death of When the child was three years old ist party if you please, which we de- ous in the county of Cork and Protes-Bowers saw his only hope lay in farm- a healthy membership. Encouraged Charles I. Many a Sunday have we someone made it a present of a tiny nounce. We fail to see why a man who tants most numerous in the county of ing, and accordingly took up a piece of by the success of the first local society, hitched up our buggy and driven to little kitten named Gerome. It was a believes he should be his own interpre- Antrim. The Catholics in Cork are to land and commenced. For three years Mr. Bowers started out to found them the little Protestant church four miles pretty little thing and was so soft and ter of the Bible would not make just as the Protestants as ten to one. The he tolled almost night and day, hauled in the principal cities-to sow the seed. distant, passing on our way the impos- velvety that the child was charmed. good a policeman as one who is taught Protestants predominate in the counthe products to Davenport to market, Two other Iowa cities were visited and ing Roman Catholic edifice, with its The child nourished and raised the to yield his mind and intellect to a ties of Armagh, Down, Tyrone, Lonand endured the hardships of the new councils established. Mr. Bowers then thousands of worshipers standing kitten and protected it from other prelate, or why a woman who knows no donderry and Antrim. A little over 76 country. He made a failure of the ven- went to Chicago, and there established round its stately portals, many of whom animals. One day when the kitten higher political authority than this per cent of the population is Catholic, ture. Poor crops, excessive rains, and Council No. 4, with a large member- respectfully saluted "the magistrate" had been hounded and chased by all government would not be as competent 12 per cent belongs to the church of other misfortunes overtook him, and he ship, all this time spending his own as my father drove by. The parish the other animals about the farm the a teacher in our public schools as one Ireland and 9 per cent to the Presby-Witt, where he engaged in cabinet- tion. A head council was soon estab- family and a graduate of a continental his bosom to shelter it. Le Bertie had astical power and then her country, and making. During all these years he lished, and he immediately went into university, was often an honored guest a good friend named Apa, who saw the yet such appears to be the policy of the had been denied the privileges for get- that as its president, which office he at our table, and when as a child in my child do this. Apa said, "Le Bertie, Romanist party; otherwise how does ing an education, and at the age of 23 held for six years, directing the work little donkey phaeton I would pass his don't you know the kitten has claws?" Mr. Fenn explain the fact that 9t per was barely able to read. But he per- of spreading the teachings of this new presbytery, he would come out in his She laughed and said, "Gorome is the cent of the police force of this city, So severed, and his spare moments were organization and devoting much time cassock to great me and give me a cor- last thing in the world that would hurt per cent of the fire department, 67 per - used in study and receiving teachings of his own to the same work. The im- dial benediction. Time rolled on, and Merrikan Poo Bleak," Apa said no cent of the teachers in our public from his mother. At the breaking out mediate success of the order far ex- the whirlpool of politics drew me into more but went his way in silence. Le schools and a corresponding per cent of of the civil war he enlisted, but shortly coeded Mr. Bowers' expectations, and its vortex. I chose the side of my Bertie thought no more of his words as all other appointive offices are filled by he was stricken down with typhoid it gave him fresh courage and zeal, and country as against the side of my creed she considered him somewhat of a members of his party.

DEFENDS THE A. P. A.

Charles J. Wilson Answers a Communieation From T. E. Fenn.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.-Editor of The Evening Post: I desire to make a brief reply to an article which appeared in The Evening Post of the 24th over the signature of T. E. Fenn. The writer, like many of his class, seems to labor under great and undue excitement when boy, Poo Bleak, had watched Le Bertle man's religion. Let him believe what

Will she do it? Yes, by the aid of the A. P. A. CHARLES J. WILSON.

The Modern Delilah.

ALTOONA, Penn., March 29, 1894 .--Editor THE AMERICAN: Through the kindness of a brother I was permitted to see a copy of your paper a little white ago for the first time. I call it, "Royal AMERICAN." Would to God It was, and it ought to be. In every American home. America is a powerful nation. Samson was a powerful man, but Delilah put him to sleep, cut off his hair, and he was taken captive. The Roman church is the Delilah that is putting America to sleep, and Rome will take her captive. Take for example. Archbishop Ireland, the great prohibitionist, a man who receives 90 per cent of all his money from the rumseller; a man who hears the rumseller's confession and gives him the sacrament, then shuts the eyes of the American people by talking prohibition. Oh! deceitful man that thou art! May I introduce myself to some of my western brothers by asking a few questions? If Peter was the first pope, which he was not, why doesn't the pope of today marry as Peter did, (Matt. 8, 4); Bishops should marry, (I Tim. 3, 2); why do the priests partake of the wine and not the bread. (1 Cor. 11: 24-25), why use latin, (I Cor. 14: 18-19)? Some time I will tell you what the church of Rome did for me and what Christ has done for me.

CONVERT.

Catholicism in Ireland.

The last official census of Ireland

On Top in Washington.

The Americans were victorious at the recent city election in Tacoma, Washington. We see in this, signs of America's sons standing for their own, and the time is not far distant when loyal Americans will not have to step down to give room for recent importations from the old world.-Lafayette, Ore., Ledger.