

MORE LIGHT NEEDED.

Editor P. J. Smith Questions Archbishop Corrigan.

NEW YORK, July 30.—Archbishop Corrigan has written an important letter to the editor of the Wine and Spirit Gazette, in which he makes an authoritative statement with regard to the decision of Monsignore Satolli affecting Roman Catholic liquor dealers.

The archbishop's letter is in his own handwriting. In it he says:

In reply to your expressed wish I have the honor to say that I loyally accept the principles laid down by Mr. Satolli, both in their spirit and to the letter. More than this, no Catholics can refuse to accept them. As to the fear of consequences, I have yet, thank God, to learn what fear is in the discharge of duty.

The editor of the Gazette, P. J. Smith, says: "This answer does not entirely and squarely meet the issue. It is not a question of accepting a principle laid down by the head of the church, but of the courage to carry out in letter and in spirit the principles just proclaimed by the papal delegate in the face of seemingly adverse public sentiment. The issue is: Will the archbishop give orders to refuse admission to Roman Catholic societies to any one engaged either as principle or agent in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors, and will he instruct the clergy to deny the rights and privileges of the church to liquor dealers who sell on Sunday? There are now pending numerous applications of liquor dealers for membership in Catholic societies in this city and Brooklyn, and we shall wait what fate these applications will share, as it will be in the nature of test cases."

SAME POSITION AS M'GLYNN.

Father Murphy Restored to His Priesthood but Has No Parish.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Rev. Henry Murphy, who was excommunicated by Bishop Wigger last October at Paterson, N. J. is again a priest of the Catholic church, his functions having been restored to him by Monsignore Satolli, the papal ablegate. Although it is more than three weeks since Father Murphy received the official document he did not appear on the altar of St. Agnes church until this morning. The trouble between Father Murphy and Rev. Dr. Smith cropped out about a year ago, and at the request of Dr. Smith, who is the counsel of Bishop Wigger, Father Murphy was removed. Dr. Smith charged from the pulpit that Father Murphy was guilty of drunkenness and familiarity with women. This charge was made after much ill feeling had been engendered, and Father Murphy refused to leave the little farm house attached to the church. His niece, Miss Henrietta McMaus, acted as his housekeeper. Dr. Smith on one occasion referred to her as his alleged niece. Father Murphy demanded a retraction, but Bishop Wigger deprived him of his functions and wrote to him that he would excommunicate him if he did not leave the house. Monsignore Satolli recommended Father Murphy to all the Bishops throughout the world as being a priest in full possession of his ecclesiastical functions. Father Murphy is in much the same position as Dr. McGlynn. No Bishop can be compelled to take him, but if they desire his services they can assign him to a parish.

Our Law Laws of Naturalization.

The New York Sun speaks approvingly of that part of the Iowa Republican platform which declares in favor of more rigorous laws for the restriction of immigration. Yet Iowa is but one of many states in which the republican party has resolved in favor of legislation that while liberal to the admission of honest, intelligent, and industrious immigrants, shall exclude the pauper, the diseased, the feeble-minded, the criminal, and the anarchistic, as well as those who from the circumstances of their transportation appear to have been shipped under contract, or to be likely to enter into unwholesome competition for work at pauper rates.

Important as the question of restriction of immigration is, it is not more important than that of amendment of our naturalization laws. The Sun very truthfully complains that:

Our mob leaders, our mischievous agitators, our anarchists, are chiefly of foreign birth. The honor, peace and safety of the republic imperatively require that European mischief-makers shall be kept out of this country. France and other European countries are adopting laws of merciless severity against all anarchists, and it is likely that great numbers of these wretches will be driven out of Europe and will try to seek refuge in America. Every one of them should be shut out. We have far too many anarchists in

America already. The most vigilant watch and ward ought to be maintained lest any of these promoters of assassination should gain entrance here from Europe. These inciters of violence, these enemies of the human race, are far more menacing than cholera, the black death, or any plague that has ever caused destruction. It is the duty of congress to take action.

But it is shocking to think that such dangerous scum and feculence can be absorbed into the body politic by a process so facile as that of naturalization as it now is administered.

In Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska, Nevada, South Dakota, and Wyoming any person who has "declared intention" of becoming a citizen and who has lived six months in the state is regarded as a citizen, and is permitted to vote on all county, city, state, or national matters. Mr. Anarchist Mowbray, who has "declared intentions" in New Jersey, has but to move to one of the states just mentioned and to wait six months for the enjoyment of full citizenship: A dozen or so of other states offer him citizenship on terms of one year's residence, after declaration of intention.

All this is in practical nullification of the United States law, which makes five years of actual residence the requisite of full citizenship. The "declaration of intention" is a preliminary step that was not intended to admit to the ballot box; else why fix the term for full naturalization at five years? If the "declaration of intention" admits to all rights of citizenship why undergo the farcical formality of "second papers?"

Five years is short enough time for the Americanization of an alien. Yet more important than the length of time preceding naturalization is the solemnity that should attend it. It ought to be a judicial proceeding, held only at stated terms, before an impartial body of inquisitors, after due notice, and in times remote from the excitement of elections. The names and residences of applicants for naturalization should be published in advance of the time fixed for determining their fitness. Evidence should be heard when the fact of fitness is questioned. The birth into American citizenship should be a solemn act, in which none but the worthy could participate.—InterOcean

Would Tax Aliens.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 21.—Representative Meiklejohn, speaking in regard to his bill providing for a tax of \$100 on each alien immigrant, said today:

When the population of this nation increases by more than a half million annually the limitation of foreign immigration has become a question of national importance. We have developed our national resources and sustained the standard of American wages through the levying of a duty on manufactures of foreign labor. Wages are subject to the law of supply and demand and the wage-earner is as much interested in preserving our field of labor for the American workman as in the protection of the products of his labor from the competition of the foreign manufacturer. The policy of placing a duty on importations of the product of foreign workmen, at a rate sufficient to equalize the difference between the domestic and foreign cost of labor, has established an incomparable scale of wages in this nation, which in my judgment, can only be maintained by extending the same beneficent policy to the immigration of foreign laborers. The bill which I have proposed exempts all relatives of any American citizen, or any person who has declared his intention to become such, who may desire to immigrate to the United States, while a duty of \$100 per capita is levied upon all other alien immigrants. Every citizen, whether native or foreign born, is alike interested in keeping from our shores the class of immigration which this measure would prohibit.

Another Cardinal Dead.

One of the big Romanists who stood up against Bismark and fought him a good fight has just died. He was Cardinal Ledochowski, a Polish count, who was raised to the cardinalate while serving a two year's term in prison, 1874-76: He was previously Primate of Poland, and so bitter grew his hostility to the Prussian government that he would not even allow the German language taught in his seminaries. After Bismark's fall, however, a change took place. Ledochowski supported Caprivi and his policy against his old enemy, Bismark, and intervened to support all the personal desires and projects of the Emperor. The upshot of this was that last March Baron von Bulow received an order to invite him to an imperial luncheon at the legation with Cardinals Moeenni, Mons and DeMontel, that is to say with the most trusted friends of Prussia. This invitation meant a public pardon of all that happened in the past.

Catholic Missions Not Injured.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., July 31.—Reports from Hong Kong show that there is unrest both in north and south China and that the outlook for foreign missionaries is bad. The anti-missionary disturbances were reported from Kiang Yon on the Yang-Tse-Kiang but a far more serious affair occurred at Shek Lung near Tung-Kun, on the Pearl

river, June 20. In this instance the American Presbyterian church was demolished by the mob and one christian, whether a foreigner or a native has not yet been ascertained, was killed. The Roman Catholic church was well guarded by Chinese soldiers and it is a fact worthy of notice that here, as at Kiang Yon, the Catholic missionary escaped while the Protestant brethren suffered heavily.

"In Missouri."

Clay council, No. 29, Jr. O. U. A. M. of Liberty, has elected officers for the next term. They are, Jr. P. C., E. E. Sylvis; C., C. W. Harter; V. C., J. R. Hamilton; R. S., James Tate Roan; A. R. S., Lee Bayer; F. S., C. A. McIntyre; F., J. B. Crook; Con., E. L. Bowring; W., R. S. Boyle; I. S., S. H. Diemer; O. S., C. F. Hall; Trustees, W. H. Ready, E. E. Sylvis, J. R. Hamilton; Rep. to S. C., M. L. Williams.

We are one year, two months, and eight days old. Our membership numbers eighty-nine, with fifty of these initiated since January 1st.

The goat is adjusting himself to his surroundings in the new hall and showed his ability six times on July 24th. Bro. A. J. Bayer clung to him in an agonized state of mind as he passed through the fire.

Bro. M. L. Williams, our D. S. C., has been doing efficient work and shows that our state council made no mistake in selecting him for this district. He organized three councils recently; Hope, No. 62, at Kearney; Holt, No. 63, at Holt; and Missouri City, No. 64, at Missouri City.

Bro. W. H. Ready has charge of the guard team and performs his duties with untiring zeal and skill.

Bro. C. A. McIntyre, financial secretary, is an officer who is at his desk at the proper time and his work is always done in an excellent manner.

We hail with delight the passage of the Stone bill by the senate. It is a move in the right direction. Every council should do its part that it may become a law.

We would write more but the goat is beating piteously for something to eat, so we hesitate. ARTE JAY. LIBERTY, Mo., August 1st, 1894.

To Push The Stone Immigration Bill.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 31.—Two of the most important bodies of the Jr. O. U. A. M., the national legislative committee and the national board of officers, met here today. The principal business of the legislative committee was the consideration of the Stone immigration bill. As it has already passed the house, the committee gave the bill its hearty and unanimous indorsement and took action as to plans to further its passage through the senate. At the meeting of the national board of officers Stephen Collins, who has held the office of national organizer for the past two years, and who was a candidate for re-election, was turned down. This position, which pays \$2,500 a year and expenses, went to Walter E. Orange, of Richmond, Va.

An Incident.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 31.—Editor THE AMERICAN: A riot occurred last Sunday morning at 1 o'clock at Gleasons & Griffith's saloon, 1400 East Fourteenth street. I heard three shots fired, and saw a man come out of the saloon with his face covered with blood. He sat down on the curb stone, but I could not get a word out of him. He sat there wiping the blood from his face with his hand as if it were sweat. Griffin, the saloon man, talked with a Roman policeman, and had the man hauled to the station. I have not seen a word in the daily papers about the case. I suppose it was suppressed in deference to the police and the saloon men who evidently are of the same nationality and religious persuasion. X. X. X.

Annual Session.

To all subordinate lodges under the jurisdiction of this grand lodge: You are hereby notified that the annual session of the supreme grand lodge, L. L. O. A., of the United States, will convene in Prismatic hall, 140 First street, Detroit, Mich. on Wednesday, Sept. 12, 1894, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the transaction of all business that may be properly brought before it. You are entitled to send two delegates, as per article IV. of the constitution. Faithfully submitted in the bonds of our sisterhood, MARGARET J. CONKEY, Supreme Grand Mistress. CHRISTENA MILLIGAN, Supreme Grand Secretary.

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Lincoln and Law.

Here is what Abraham Lincoln said of the law: "Let reverence of law be breathed by every mother to the lisping babe that prattles in her lap; let it be taught in the schools, seminaries, and colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books, and almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpits, and proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice; in short, let it become the political religion of the nation."

A Bachelor Social.

Members of Kansas City council, No. 9, Jr. O. U. A. M. and their friends

spent a social evening last Friday at their lodge rooms. Many new members were among the older Juniors, all of whom seemed to enjoy themselves. Cigars and fruits were in abundance, much to the delight of the "bach" members.

"Every Catholic should rigidly adhere to the teachings of the Roman pontiff, especially in the matter of modern liberty, which, already under the semblance of honesty of purpose, leads to destruction. We exhort all Catholics to devote careful attention to public matters, and take part in all municipal affairs and elections, and public services, meetings and gatherings. All Catholics must make themselves felt as elements in daily political life in countries where they live. All Catholics should extend their power to cause the constitutions of States to be modeled on the principles of the true church."—Leo XIII, November 7th, 1890.

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Change of Time.

On and after Sunday, April 29th, the Missouri Pacific train for Kansas City, St. Louis, etc., will leave depot at 15th and Webster streets at 9:00 a. m. and 9:30 p. m. Trains will arrive at 6:30 a. m. and 6:55 p. m. Nebraska Local leaves daily, except Sunday, at 5:10 p. m.; arrives 9:20 a. m.

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