MGR SATOLLPS DECREE-

A Review of His Position Concerning Saloon Keepers.

The following communication Herald:

olic circles stirred to their very depths by Mgr. Satolli's late decision, which is quors." President E. V. Debs of the A. arrested and incarcerated for contempt audience. of the United States court, which had issued an order restraining them from interfering either by threat or persuasion, with the vocation of any man. Then the law interposed its strong arm to protect the American citizen in his legalized vocation he may select.

The liquor traffic is as much a legaldate any citizen engaged in the liquor traffic, for the following reasons:

First. Eugene V. Debs, in intimidating the railroad employe, was interfering with the United States mail and interstate commerce; Mgr. Satolli in intimidating "the principal or agent in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors," is interfering with the United States custom receipts and the rights of the country at large—to drink intoxicating beverages.

Second. E. V. Debs and his followers could only intimidate the American workman by threats of bodily harm and the unplesant appellation of "scab" to follow him through life; Mgr. Satolli and his followers seek to drive American citizens from their legalized vocation by threats of branding them as heretics during this life and consigning them to an "eternal hell" in the life to come, for, excommunication according to the dogmas of the Catholic church, means a denial of an entrance into heaven. No potentate ever wielded such power over a subject as Mgr. Satolli and the Catholic elergy exert over the Ignorant Catholic by their threats of denying him the "eucharist," "the extreme unction," the privilege of lying in holy(?) ground and the prayer of all the saints in earth and heaven for his release from pur-

Is there a nation on earth that would permit a foreigner, such as Mgr. Satolli, to come to its shores and attempt to drive its citizens from their legitiall the people? Why should Eugene V. Debs be indited and Mgr. Satolli go free? Is there no law in this land to present a barrier to the pope of Rome. In this his first overt act toward the destruction of the liberties of the American people?

Is the manufacturer or retailer of intoxicating liquors worse than the drinker? Who demands the saloon and its liquors? The churches, the laity, the priest and preacher are the liquor quor dealer was heard to say recently child of fortune. that his best customers were the church people because they demanded the finest wines and drinks. The quickest way and most effectual way for the church to destroy the liquor traffic. would be to convert themselves into sober men and women, and not attempt to exonerate themselves by making a scape-goat of the saloon man. So long as we see priest and people tessing off the sparkling wine, foaming beer and other liquors, just so long will the traffic continue and the saloon man's traducers pose as hypocrites. The saloon man is not responsible for the appetites and sins of other men. He only meets a crying demand. It does not give him pleasure to see men drinking to intoximan who drinks.

iates the fable of the fox barking at the structors. know not God. front door while his comrade robs the hen roosts.

While attempting to promulgate the doctrines of the gentle Jesus, coercion and anathemas have been the true her prayers, yet she was going to teach spirit of the church, marking her path- the heathen. I said to her, "My dear way with blood for hundreds of years. Not content to deal alone in spiritual matters, she has ever sought to grasp temporal power and sit as a queen with the whole world at her feet. She has not hesitated to use deceit, lying, intrigue, theft and even murder to accomplish that end-for which she still longs today. Ignorance and superstition are her strongest allies, whilst she has ever recognized free thought and

hall, June 28, 1894. His remarks were them. To illustrate: tinged with bitterness towards Protes- A well-bred man puts his hand over our free public school system, because, well-bred man in ten thousand knows

Our country has scarcely recovered the children and its failure to teach yawn, and while his mouth was open ence with the rights of the citizen who schools. He said the ignorance of the people learned to make the sign of the wished to labor, before we behold Cath- American people was surprising and cross over their mouths whenever they American citizens, "who are engaged superior to the Americans in point of though most other people have dis-R. U., and his officers were promptly uncalled for speech to an American markable survival of a practice after

Burke sat upon the platform and each down their throats, that Bishop Burke young man as he received his diploma deems them more intelligent that Profrom him, knelt before the bishop and testant Americans. vested right of earning his bread in any kissed a ring upon his hand. There ized business as is railroading in this to humiliate themselves to such a ser- this torch. Everything put before the country, and Mgr. Satolli, the pope's vile and superstitious act-a burlesque people today for them to believe or act agent, is a greater law-breaker than on the bishop's remarks regarding the upon is subject to impartial investiga-Eugene V. Debs, for daring to intimi- superiority of Catholic education. I tion." Hence the majority of thinking

him.

My observation is that the Catholic power was almost universal. school system works a great hardship The world is still looking for that their schools, and are denied the privi- eate, viz: lege of sending their children to our "A good man there was of religion. free schools. What good is there in a That was a poor parson of a town; religious system that refuses to educate He was also a learned man, a clerk. a poor child unless it poses as a pauper! That Christ's gospel truly would preach. I know of a Catholic family in our city His parishioners devoutly would be teach, whose six or eight children are sorely Benign he was and wondrous diligent, in need of education, because the parents are too poor to pay tuition and | Full loth were he to cursen for his tithes, too proud to have their children classed But rather would be given, out of doubt, as paupers, while the fear of the Unto his poor parishioners about, as paupers, while the lear of the priests' frown prevents them sending He could in little things have sufficance. their children to the public schools. I wide was his parish, and houses far as recently learned the following history of a young Catholic girl in our city. Her parents were too poor to educate her in a Catholic school, so she, being of an independent, wilful disposition attended our public schools until she This noble example to his sheep he gave: graduated. She subsequently secured a remunerative position as book-keeper And this figure he added yet thereto: in a mercantile house. The Catholic That if gold rust, what should iron do? priests then came to induce her to join And if a priest be foul, on whom we trust, the Catholic church, but she tossed nue of the nation, and the privileges of her head and said: "No, indeed, you By his cleanliness, how his sheep should would not educate me when I needed it, and now that I am making money you want me in the church. I don't want such a religion."

When the Catholic church lays aside Or with a brotherhood to be withold; her insatiate greed and is willing to But dwelt at home, and kept well his fold, teach the children of her members without money and without price, then, And though he holy were and virtuous, and not until then, can Bishop Burke He was to sinful men not dispiteous. or any of his associates criticize with any degree of modesty, the only system in our land which takes the outcast child of the gutter and elevates Butif were any person obstinate. man's best customers. A wholesale li- him to the intellectual plane of the

school system because of its failure to Nor maked him no spiced conscience, "teach religion." Religion is not God But Christ's lore and His apostles twelve and there is a distinction between religion and christianity. A religion is outward form without power. Chris tianity is power without outward form. All sects are religionists and devoid of a personal knowledge of God-the true God. Catechise them regarding practical knowledge of God, and you will find few, if any, have direct answers to prayer. How ridiculous to attempt to teach children of God, when those who teach are bringing reproach upon the name of God daily. The one fact of coercion on the part of Catholies and Protestants is proof conclusive cation. The responsibility is upon the that they have no knowledge of God as taught by the gentle Jesus. It is As the observing student realizes the injustice to a nation to have any sysinconsistency between the teachings tem or organization of men instruct its and practices of the church, he apprec- children of God, when they, the in-

I recently met a young woman on her way to Japan as a missionary, who admitted to me that she had no personal knowledge of God or direct answers to young woman, you are not prepared to teach the heathen of God when you do not know Him." So you see America sends her heathen to teach the Asiatic heathen of God. And Europe sends her heathen to dictate to and teach the

American heathen of God. Few teachers of religion have any practical knowledge of God, while the majority cling to the deeply noted dogmas and superstitions of their forefree institutions as her most bitter foe. fathers. The superstitions handed I heard Bishop M. F. Burke deliver down by the Catholic church have be an address to the graduates of the come so universal that some are prac-Christian Brothers college at Columbia ticed by many who do not know of

tant America and especially towards his mouth when he yawns, but not one as he claimed, the system was so un- why. The reason is this: Four or five

charity or brotherly love in his voice stition common in Europe that the and words as he spoke of the Protes- devil was always lying in wait to enter tant past of our country. Bitter invec- a man's body and take possession of tives marked his speech as he warmed him. Satan generally went in by the up against the heretics. He dwelt es mouth: but when he had waited a recently published in St. Joseph daily pecually upon the public school system reasonable time and the man did not of our land as injurious to the morals of open his mouth the devil made him from the effects of the late railroad them religion, etc. He said that Cath- jumped down his throat. So many strike with its "boycott" and interfer- olics were taxed to sustain the public cases of this kind occurred that the was generally remarked upon by other yawned, in order to scare away the nations whom he claimed were su-devil. The peasantry in Italy and practically a church boycott against all perior. He stated the Italians were Spain still adhere to this custom, either as principal or agent in the education. Though Bishop Burke's pensed with the cross sign and keep manufacture or sale of intoxicating Ii- audience was a Catholic one, yet there out the devil by simply placing the was no enthusiasm manifested at this hand before the lips. It is a most rethe significance has perished.

After sowing such seed as would It is owing to the fact of the Italians prejudice his nearers against Ameri- clinging to the cross sign, as in this cans and American institutions. Bishop case to keep the devil from jumping

It has been said: "Reason is the only arose within my heart a protest that torch of the brain. Honesty is the best these young men should be called upon human guide to lead us in the light of felt as I witnessed this act so destruc- men and women are cutting loose from tive to American manhood, that it is the church with its dogmas and superthe courches which are keeping the stitions, while the "old lady" (Rev. 17people in error, darkness and ignor- 1-7) is left to make her statistical ance. A child should not be permitted | boasts over the numbers of unthinking or required to sacrifice the God-given women and children she scares or perright of independence to gratify the suades into her fold. I predict that pride of hierarchy or king. A man's Mgr. Satolli will be unable to coerce heel once placed upon the neck of a the liquor men of America, and the child, man, beast or system will never church will content herself by selling be lifted while there is power behind them indulgences (to sin) as was her custom in the dark ages when her

upon the children of the poor Catholics ideal priest described by Geoffrey who are unable to pay for tuition in Chaucer, the first English poet laur-

But rich he was in holy thought and work, And in adversity full patient;

But he ne'er felt nor thought of rain or thunder.

In sickness and in mischlef to visit The farthest in his parish, much and oft, Upon his feet, and in his hand a staff. That first he wrought and then he tanght; Out of the Gospel he the words caught, No wonder if a common man do rust; live.

Or left his sheep bewliuered in the mire, And ran to London, unto Saint Paul's, To seeken him a chanterie for souls, So that the wolf he made it not miscarry, He was a shepherd and no mercenary, Nor of his speech dangerous nor high. But in his teaching discreet and benign. To draw his folk to heaven, with fairness, By good example, was his business; Whether he were of high or low estate, Him would be reprove sharply for the nuns A better priest, I trow, that nowhere is. Bishop Burke condemns the public He waited after neither pomp nor reverence He taught, but first be followed it himselve." CLARA D. ARMSTRONG.

Pat's Soliloquy.

Why should these Yankees organize In such a secret way, And plan for us a sad surprise Upon election day?

Have we, the only christian church, Revealed our plan too soon? Must we come down from off our perch. Like Davy Crockett's coon?

Sure we must try another game; Our holy fathers feel That we can fool them all the same, With patriotic zeal.

We'll tell them when the flag was rent

We saved this Yankee nation: And how we loved the president-"With a mental reservation." Of course it will not be the truth,

Our priest will settle that, And we must never mention Booth, Or the dear old saint Surratt.

Now we must play the winning card To quiet all this fuss, And show for them a warm regard-But never mention Huss.

Our priests who scorn the aid of pelf, Though spurned by Yankee frauds, Are more to us than God himself -They manufacture gods.

We'll tell these Yankee heretics We love the public school-You see the conscience never pricks Where lying is the rule.

But the Yankees now are waking up, And I begin to feel That we may drink a bitter cup, If we should miss the deal.

Last night I had a horrid dream Which did my bosom thrill, So real did my fancy seem, The vision haunts me still.

godly. There was an entire absence of hundred years ago there was a super- Twas midnight when I heard a call

That filled me with dismay; woke, and lo, upon the wall Was written "A. P. A."

Once more I gazed, when mighty dread Had pierced me through and through. The souls of all the martyred dead Came passing in review.

It seemed the power of speech had fled; E'en now my spirit faints: saw the papal church was red With the blood of martyred saints.

We know those heretics were bad, And the victims of a scheme. But truly I was more than glad My vision was a dream.

Of course our holy church is white; And I now understand We have the only patent right To occupy this land.

For years in office we have thrived With undisputed sway; And are we now to be deprived By the horrid A. P. A.?

Must we retire in sore disgrace And see these Yankees fed, While we-the noble Celtic race-Must toil to get our bread? Sure we are in a horrid fix;

Help us, ye saints in glory, And send the Yankee heretics To an endless purgatory.

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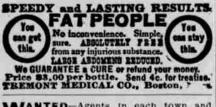
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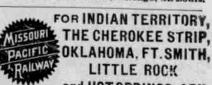
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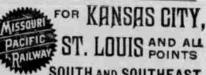
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