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AUGUST 17, 1894.

THE prospect for a large crop of A. P. A. county officials is good.

ROME is an adept at adapting herself to circumstances: in adversity she is a lamb, in equality a fox, but in prosperity when she has the upper hand, she is a veritable wolf.

ROME classes every body who does not belong to her church as infidels or heretics, and yet she is always crying about religious toleration and the "bigotry" of the A. P. A.

E. B. HENDERSON must be an ingrate. Judge Scott picked him up and gave him a good position, and today he is fighting Scott's friends—helping such enemies as Rosewater, Blackburn and others. He has made his bed, let him sleep in it.

OUR correspondent at Lincoln writes us as follows:

"I overheard a man by the name of Coryell from your city make some uncomplimentary remarks in regard to the A. P. A. not long ago. I understand he is a candidate for the legislature. The friends should look after him. He should not be nominated."

WE are in receipt of the first issue of *The United American*, a new patriotic paper published in Washington, D. C. judging from its contents, it will fill a long felt want, namely, an American paper at our nation's capital. THE AMERICAN wishes it every success and prosperity.

IF it is true, as reported, that Pat Ford and Dick Burdish, during the recent assault on police officers Mitchell and Fisk by a gang of hoodlums in the third ward, stood by and urged the toughs on, they should be arrested and given the full penalty, such as the law provides.

THERE is a vast amount of property in this city held in the name of the Roman Catholic church or its bishop, that is exempt from taxation on the grounds of it being used for church purposes. As a large portion of it is unquestionably held for speculation purposes only, the authorities should take the necessary steps to have it listed for taxation.

WHAT caused the New York *Times* to so suddenly cease its attacks on the A. P. A.? Could it be possible that its circulation was falling off? The day has arrived when Americans will not patronize a paper that toadies to Rome and inveighs against those who are patriotic enough to stand up and declare themselves for the support of American institutions and liberties.

WHAT meaning was it that C. J. Smyth intended to convey, when, during the course of the Father Ryan will case, he said to Judge Baldwin "Oh you are not trying the McKenna will case?" His remark might be construed by some to mean that under the present *regime* of Judge Baxter in the probate court, the church of Rome, of which Mr. Smyth is the legal light, has a "pull" on that court. However much Mr. Smyth wished this opinion to be a fact, the voters of Douglas county did not believe it true until they saw the judge's opinion in the case then many doubted.

THOSE congressmen who cast their votes in favor of the Indian appropriation bill, granting $400,000 to schools and institutions under the control of the Roman Catholic church should not receive the support of Americans either for re-election to the same office or to any other position of public trust to which they might aspire. William Jennings Bryan one of the representatives from this state, and who is now a candidate for the exalted office of United States senator voted in favor of this iniquitous appropriation. A word to the wise should be sufficient. Put none but Americans on guard, men who will not submit to the dictation of the Roman Catholic bureau at our nation's capital.

DISGRACEFUL ORGIES.

The attention of the members of the board of fire and police commissioners is called to the disgraceful conduct of certain tenants occupying the hovels on Tom Murray's ground at Eighteenth and Harney—opposite the county court house, Boyd's opera house and Washington hall— past which women of respectability are passing every minute in the day. The conduct of some of the inmates of those delapidated shanties is fitted only for the "burnt district," and the language used around them and in the street adjoining would be a disgrace even to a bawdy house. This is particularly the case with those fronting on Eighteenth street, as can be verified by nearly a score of people who witnessed and listened to the disgraceful orgies the first of this week. Another place which should be investigated is Dillrance's stable, opposite Boyd's opera house, on Seventeenth street. We have it from what we consider good authority that several men had a young girl in the rear end of the second story, the early part of this week —had her stripped nearly naked—had criminal illicit intercourse with her on blankets thrown down in front of some open doors. This proceeding was so public that a number of persons on Eighteenth street, doing business and living in, or in the vicinity of, Washington hall were forced to be eye witnesses of the disgraceful scenes. On behalf of these people and the repectable people who are obliged to pass there daily, we call upon the authorities to suppress these dens.

TRUTH VINDICATED.

No better vindication of the truth of Leo Richardson's charges against the press of the country could be found than the following comments of the Elgin papers upon the lecture he delivered in that city last week before a large and enthusiastic audience:

The Elgin *Daily News* said:

A Mr. Richardson "lectured" at the opera house in opposition to the Roman Catholic church. However laudable his object or good his motives, his manner was certainly offensive and his words ill-chosen. Refering to a man high in the councils of the church and of exalted position as an "almond-eyed little dago" is neither witty, refined nor logical. It is ill-bred and exceedingly boorish.

Again, speaking of the pope, who is universally known for his kindness of heart and justly celebrated for his learning, as an "old bag of bones on the Tiber," whether ascribed to Dr. McGlynn or not, shows gross ignorance, recklessness and a want of respect for the feelings and opinions of his more intelligent auditors.

There are far better ways, Mr. Richardson, of presenting the questions pertaining to your subject than by abuse that does indefinitely more harm than good. The *News* believes in fair play.

The *Dial* says:

Thursday there was stretched across Grove avenue, an American flag, defiled with an advertisement of an A. P. A. meeting to be held in the opera house. Mr. Leo Richardson, of Chicago, was to be the speaker, and he was met at the depot by a body guard of which one of Elgin's policemen made himself the most conspicuous.

A fair sized audience was attracted to the meeting, which appeared to be arranged for the purpose of advertising a Chicago publication. The audience listened to the speaker's address, but the points he attempted to make fell flat. He evidently had mistaken the town, and discovered that an Elgin audience was too intelligent to believe the statements he made. Therefore the meeting did not last long, and passed away like a dream.

YOUR DUTY.

From now until the polls close on the day of the coming election Americans should be on their guard.

They should, by this time, be aware of the fact that Rome works in an insiduous manner, seldom showing her hand; that her strength lies in her secrecy and that they can only hope to overthrow and deprive her of her political power and prestige by practicing the lesson she has so well learned.

If you have, in the past, elected men who have misrepresented you, you are deserving of pity, but if you re-elect them and they do different to what you desire, you deserve condemnation for your gullibility.

An American who is true to his country, who loves its institutions and reveres its flag allows no party ties or life-long friendships to outweigh his sense of duty when he goes to the polls to cast his vote. If his dearest friend or his trusted brother, stood on other ground than that occupied by himself when considering

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his ballot should be cast against such friend or brother and in favor of the man who represents most nearly his idea of true Americanism.

Until such a stand is taken there can be no hope for a cessation of political medling on the part of the Roman Catholic priesthood, and the sooner American citizens realize this the sooner will politicians refuse to accede to the demands of the Roman corporation.

You can only be true to your own interests by being true to those of your country.

To carry this idea out it will be necessary for our friends to retire a number of gentlemen who now fill official positions.

The retirement must not be charged to an American order, but to the neglect or refusal of such officials to carry out the desires of their constituents.

DID TOM REED SAY IT?

The Boston *Pilot*, a Roman Catholic newspaper, recently credited Thomas B. Reed, of Maine, who is one of the probable candidates on the republican ticket for the presidency of the United States in 1896, with having uttered the following:

"The charge has been frequently made of late that republican successes here and there through the country are largely due to what is known as A P. A. influence, as if this too intolerant, secret, oath-bound organization were naturally in affiliation with republican principles. Now, sir, as a republican of the straightest sect, I utterly repudiate any such insinuation, and speaking for myself, I would a thousand times rather go down in honored defeat with the unsullied flag of the grand old party waving over me than to victory obtained by any such aid. And the man who rests his political hopes on this foreign-born, un-American league, is foredoomed to disaster, dishonor and defeat."

Since reading the above in *The Pilot* we have been informed that Mr. Reed denied over his signature in several of the eastern papers, ever uttering the words in question. Although we have not up to this seen any of the papers containing Mr. Reed's denial, yet, not later than last Tuesday the Kansas City *World* publishes an interview with the notorious Patrick Egan, ex-United States minister to Chili under the Harrison administration, in which Pat Egan is quoted as follows:

"Tom Reed in a recent speech voiced the sentiment of the true Americans and honest voters when he said he would rather suffer defeat a hundred times than get place by the support of organizations so un-American and with principles so inimical to all that goes to maintain the government and the rights of the people."

Whether Mr. Reed used the words attributed to him or not, we are not in a position to say; but there is no doubt but what the Roman Catholics and their sympathizers who are opposed to the A. P. A. and all other patriotic societies, will try and make capital out of them. If Mr. Reed did make use of the words above quoted, it will be very plain to all Americans that he is not suitable timber for the presidential chair of the United States.

FULFILLED THEIR PROMISES.

By investigating the records of the county agent of Cook county, Illinois, the following information was brought to light.

Number of visitations made	1,063
Number of visitations approved	862
Number of visitations rejected	201
Number of families continued on books	1,671
Number of families aided in March	2,533

CIVIL CONDITIONS.

Americans	386
Bohemians	174
Belgians	2
Canadians	32
Colored Americans	21
Danish	14
English	64
French	33
Hebrews	0
Hollanders	19
Irish	536
German	591
Italian	36
Polish	280
Roman Jews	93
Scandinavians	219
Scotch	27
Swiss	6
Total Number aided	2,533

The cost of providing relief for the above number of families could be very materially reduced, if the plans adopted by the Omaha county commissioners were followed in Cook county.—*Chicago American.*

THE CAUSE.

We clip the following item from the *North Western Witness* a Roman Catholic paper published at Duluth, Minn.

The census bureau has just turned out a report on the slum districts of Chicago. The figures are just what one would expect. The per cent of illiteracy is higher than in the city as a whole and the percentage of foreign born is higher than in the whole city. There is one saloon to every 127 persons in this festering district. Sixty per cent of the voters are foreign born and one-third of the foreign born are illiterate.

The *North Western Witness* fails however to explain, why one-third of these foreign born are illiterate. Full well it knows that the blame for this state of affairs lies at the door of the Roman Catholic church, to which denomination the largest per cent of the foreign born illiterates belong. Rome has always placed every obstacle possible in the way of education for the masses in those countries, in which she has secured control, the statistics of Italy, Spain, Ireland and other countries all go to prove this beyond a doubt. Rome realizes that as soon as the masses become educated, that soon would she lose her control over them. Ignorance and illiteracy foster superstition, and superstition is undoubtedly the main support of the Roman Catholic church. In the event of the masses being educated, their eyes would be opened, and they would soon realize what an empty hollow mockery, the so called religion of the Roman Catholic church is. Educate the masses in the free public schools of this country and not in the parochial schools controlled by Rome, and then the power of that religio-politico organization will soon be a thing of the past.

THE KNIGHTS OF LABOR.

The *Cynosure*, of Chicago, is not a reliable authority as to secret societies, but it has almost hit the nail on the head in the following:

Raymond Blathwayt, whose relations with the Roman Catholic hierarchy in Great Britain are very close, sends to the London *Chronicle* an account of his visit to Cardinal Gibbons in this country two years ago. During their interview the cardinal told him that the church recognized that labor has sacred rights, and that it is the right of the laboring classes to organize. The church, according to the cardinal, recognized that in this lay the safety of a vast community, such as exists in America, and that the church would help the Knights of Labor when rightly resisting capitalists.' Thus the Roman Catholic church, notwithstanding its papal fulminations against secret societies, avows itself, by its prelacy, in favor of secret labor organizations, including, we have reason to believe, the riotous 'Molly Maguires,' or any other whose members aid in supporting the church of Rome, and on the slightest provocation wage war against those upon whom they are dependent for bread.

The above may be made clearer if read in connection with the following editorial which appeared in the *Western Watchman* of last week:

A society has been formed in Rome under the presidency of Cardinal Parocchi, having branches all over the world, the object of which is to propagate the doctrines of the Encyclical *Novarum Rerum*. The director of the society for the United States is Dr. Richard Burtsell. Among the other prominent names in the directory are Mgr. O'Connell of the American college, Mgr. Nugent of Liverpool, and Father O'Neil of Manchester. The society wants to be put in correspondence with every workingman's society in the world.

A WARNING.

Some time ago a certain candidate sent a representative to THE AMERICAN office in Kansas City, soliciting the use of our editorial columns for advancing his interests to obtain the nomination to the office he desired to secure offering in return money for the "use of the paper." In other words the question was asked: "How much will you take to give X—— a write-up from now until the election?" In as few words as possible we will state that the next individual who approaches us on this line will receive the benefit of our columns, but it will not be in the shape of an endorsement. It might as well be understood now as later on that no money on earth can buy the columns of THE AMERICAN. This paper is run for principle, not for money, and while we have built up a fine business, and are successfully publishing three of the leading patriotic papers of the country, not one dollar—not one cent—has ever been earned by selling a line of our space to further the candidacy of any candidate for office. In fact we have always and will continue to advocate the election of those men whom we believe will be endorsed by the entire membership of the A. P. A. in the district governing the election. But our endorsement will not include the man who would endeavor to corrupt a patriotic paper, since we believe he who would offer money for a nomination would accept money for his influence after his election.

WE cannot place much credence in the statement that indigent old people will be given a home "without regard to race or creed" in the new Roman Catholic Home now being built by the Little Sisters of the Poor on Prairie avenue, we are inclined to believe that it is merely a scheme on the part of Rome to catch the sympathies of a gullible public and induce Protestants to open their pocket books. The question of race we realize will not cut any figure as most of Rome's children in this country are from foreign shores, but when it comes to a question of creed, it certainly is not very probable that Rome will take in out of the cold and offer shelter to a "heretic" unless they are well paid for it, it is not in keeping with the tenants of their so called religion. Perhaps, it is a bait extended for the purpose of trying to get a money appropriation from the city to help defray the expenses of maintaining the institution, but in the light of Judge Burke's recent decision, it is hardly probable, that they would succeed in this.—*Chicago American.*

THE Kansas City *Sun* says: "The Kansas City AMERICAN refers to 'Ed Finlay, the notorious Roman Catholic.' This will doubtless be news to Ed. It was Jim Finlay whom the clumsy writer meant, but Jim is not a Catholic either." If that is so, we beg the pardon of all the respectable toughs who infest the Roman church. Finlay's actions were so well patterned after their own that a mistake was pardonable.

THERE is nothing very surprising in the information that Archbishop Corrigan of New York is the son of a saloon keeper. The largest per cent of the priests of the Roman Catholic church of Irish birth are sons of saloonkeepers. In Ireland it is the one great ambition of all keepers of "Shebeens" as the country saloons are termed, to have at least one of their sons in the priesthood.

IT is asserted that there are two officers on the pay roll of this city whose sole duties are to secure recruits for that misnamed institution "the House of the Good Shepherd." We have had thirteen cases reported to this office within the past week, where these zealous officers for the mother church, have sent young women to this institution. At this rate they will soon have as many inmates as the state penitentary. It should be borne in mind that the city pays this institution fifty cents a day for each inmate, and that these inmates are made to slave at various kinds of work for the financial benefit of the institution. The two officers mentioned above receive $2,400 yearly. Receiving financial support from the city as the House of the Good Shepherd does, it certainly should be open to both public and official investigation. —*Chicago American.*

"PAT" EGAN'S interview, published in the *World*, denouncing the A. P. A. has placed him on a splendid "record" for future use. Major William Warner, of Kansas City, is one of his associates in the International Telephone company, which the "firm" will try to introduce into Kansas City. It was a "slick" dodge for Egan, Kerns and Warner to float an "interview" the day before the state republican convention. The "major" seems to be a part of a nicely schemed body of politicians in this telephone company. It would have been policy for this combine of "political pull" to have laid low if they desired to gain any power from their political pull to have ordinances passed granting their telephone company franchises in this part of Missouri and the border city on the Kaw.—*Kansas City American.*

THE Jefferson City *Daily Tribune* says:

Some irresponsible party has circulated the report that John T. Short, the democratic nominee for representative of this county, is a member of the "A. P. A." organization. There is not a word of truth in this report. Being a sound democrat and a good citizen, Mr. Short could not be a member of the "A. P. A."

This must be some of the Gov. Stone political hash. Such papers and men are doing all in their power to demolish the democratic party, and disgusting the better class of democrats. If the leaders keep up such methods there will not be enough of the old democratic party left to patch Stone's pants in "96."

INVESTIGATION shows that seventeen out of the fifty men forming one of the companies of the 7th regiment Illinois national guards, wore the "white ribbon" during the recent strike, also that one of the members was heard to say, "that they would never fire on the strikers if ordered to do so but would simply rebel." If such was the case, and we have every reason to believe it was so, the sooner such members are weeded out the better for the proper efficiency of the state militia. Greater precautions should be taken in the future as to the *personnel* of the men enlisted.

THE A. P. A. is growing rapidly in California, there being now thirty-seven councils of the order in that state, fourteen of which are in San Francisco and some fifty odd to be instituted in the state in the near future. California has hitherto been run by the Roman Catholics but after the next election there will be a material change.

SINCE some of the members of the A. P. A. have been given positions in the fire-department in Kansas City, Kas., a gang of Roman Catholics have used every exertion to retard them in their work. At a recent fire on James street, a gang of Roman hoodlums interfered with the firemen while fighting the flames.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW has been repeated in Quebec, Canada. When will the Romans break out south of the line? Mobs of from 2,000 to 5,000 from St. Rochs and St. Sauveur sacked Protestant houses.

To the Americanized voters, and those of uncertain minds—lend a hand in the work and you will sweep everything to the American side in November.

THE Roman Catholic rioters from St. Rochs and St. Sauveur attempted a massacre of Protestants in Quebec, Canada, and destroyed much property.

WE would respectfully suggest to Archbishop Corrigan that "from bartender to priest" would form a sensational text for a sermon.

THE Jr. O. U. A. M. has doubled the number of councils in Indiana within the last year. This speaks well for the "Hoosier" state.

THE annual congress of the Roman Catholic party in Germany will be held this year in Cologne, August 26th.

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SON OF A SALOON-KEEPER.

Archbishop Corrigan's Surroundings as a Youth Make Him Well Informed on the Liquor Question.

NEW YORK, August 14.—Archbishop Corrigan is the son of a saloon-keeper. The difficulty he is having in reconciling the interests of saloon-keepers within the precepts of the church has revived in the memory of the few who know how the prelate's youth was passed, a series of incidents which, at the time, indicated that Michael A. Corrigan would become anything but a famous ecclesiastic.

The saloon kept by the elder Corrigan was located in Newark, N. J., and flourished for several years, beginning with 1838. The future archbishop was born in the second story front room on the night of August 10, 1839. The father's place was at 143 Market street, and the business was carried on in the basement. Thomas Corrigan was himself but an indifferent church goer, but his wife was very devout, and from the first intended that her sons (there were four) should be devoted to the faith. Accordingly George, James and Michael were sent to the theological seminary, but the remaining boy was less religiously inclined, and he became a physician. Today he is practicing in Florida. Father James Corrigan died some years ago, but the other brother inherited a mental infirmity which asserted itself so violently that he was sent so an asylum.

The elder Corrigan intended to bring up his son Michael as a saloon-keeper; but Father Balleis recommended the church as his career, and accordingly, young Michael was sent to St. Mary's college at Wilmington, Del. Among his classmates were Father Corrigan of Hoboken, who lately died, but who was in no way related to the archbishop; Father Kileen, the bearded priest of New Jersey, and various other men who have since become eminent as churchmen.

So that if the saloon-keepers imagine that Archbishop Corrigan cannot appreciate their position, they are in error. He might today have been one of them.

The Difference.

KANSAS CITY, August 12.—Editor THE AMERICAN: The attention of the voters in the American Protective Association is called to the following, from the *Star* of the 10th:

"Marshal Stewart very properly denied admittance to the throng of visitors who besieged the county jail yesterday with requests to see the convicted cashier of the late Kansas City Safe Deposit and Savings bank. In refusing to subject Sattley to this humiliation he discharged his duty as an officer in a manner which invites commendation. Sattley is in the hands of the law. It is right that he shall suffer the penalty which the statutes prescribe for hisgrave offense. But it would be a gross violation of the proprieties to subject him while in prison to the taunts and reproach of persons whose anger has been kindled against him."

It is a well-known fact, when Bishop MacNamara was in jail, that this same Marshal Stewart permitted many Roman Catholic ruffians in the city to see him. The marshal allowed these Roman Catholic toughs to insult, revile and spit on him while he was his prisoner. Stewart went to Independence on the Sabbath day and brought the bishop back to the Kansas City jail for these thugs to humiliate, and subjected him while in prison to their taunts, reproaches and insults. The Kansas City *Star* had nothing to say against violating the proprieties at that time, but the voters had something to do about it at the spring election, and will have still more to do in the coming campaign. Marshal Stewart and Prosecutor Brown, or any other official who has shown favors to one political party or church, and abused prisoners of other parties and faith, must be voted out of office and kept out. Bishop McNamara, who harmed no one, was cast into prison and treated like a dog, while Sattley, who harmed between 8,000 and 9,000 people and brought trouble and distress into their homes, is treated by Marshal Stewart like a gentleman, and the *Star* approves. Fellow American citizens, we must clean out our court house this fall and put in men who will treat all alike in accordance with the law.

AN OLD TIME DEMOCRAT.

Rome Enriched.

BALTIMORE, Md., Aug., 12—Mrs. Celinda Whitford, a wealthy widow of this city who died Wednesday, bequeathed nearly all her large fortune to charitable and religious organizations connected with the Catholic church, part of it going to Indiana and Pennsylvania. She leaves the Catholic University at Washington and St. Agnes hospital at Baltimore $50,000 each.

Distasteful to Rome.

On Wednesday night, July 11th, the statue of King William III on College Green, Dublin, was decorated by some Orangemen with an orange sash, and the base of the statue lined with orange lillies. This is the first time since 1822 that this has been done, Lord Wellesley having in that year forbidden it. The decorations did not, however, long remain up, but were removed by the civic authorities, who must obey their masters, Archbishop Walsh and his priests.