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21. They are absolved from all obligations who are in anywise bound to heretics.
22. Whoever dies in battle against the unbelieving, merits the kingdom of heaven.

discipline of my clergy and people. I will in like manner humbly receive and diligently execute the apostolic commands. If I am detained by a lawful impediment, I will perform the aforesaid by a member of my chapter or a priest of my diocese, fully instructed in all things above mentioned.

execrable race. That when the same cannot be done openly, I will secretly use the poisonous cup, the strangulating cord, the steel of the pincers, or the leaden bullet, regardless of the honor, rank, dignity or authority of the person or persons, whatever may be their condition in life, either public or private.

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Cardinal's Oath.

"I, _____, cardinal of the Holy Roman church, do promise and swear that, from this time to the end of my life, I will be faithful and obedient unto St. Peter, the holy apostolic Roman church, and our most holy lord, the pope of Rome, and his successors, canonically and lawfully elected; that I will give no advice, consent or assistance against the pontifical majesty and person; that I will never knowingly and advisedly, to their injury or disgrace, make public the councils entrusted to me by themselves, or by messengers or letters; also that I will give them any assistance in retaining, defending and recovering the Roman papacy and the regalia of Peter, with all my might and endeavor, so far as the rights and privileges of my order will allow it, and will defend them against all their honor and state, and I will direct and defend, with due form and honor, the legates and nuncios of the apostolic see, in the territories, churches, monasteries and other benefices committed to my keeping; and I will cordially co-operate with them and treat them with honor in their coming, abiding and returning, and that I will resist unto blood all persons whatsoever who shall attempt anything against them. That I will, by every way and by every means strive to preserve, augment and advance the rights, honors, privileges, the authority of the Holy Roman bishop, our lord the pope and his before mentioned successors, and that, at whatever time anything shall be decided to their prejudice, which is out of my power to hinder, as soon as I shall know that any steps or measures have been taken in the matter, I will make it known to the same, our lord or his successors, or some other person by whose means it may be brought to their knowledge. That I will keep and carry out the rules of the holy father, the decrees, ordinances, dispensations, reservations, provisions, apostolic mandates and constitutions of the Holy Father Sextus, of happy memory, as to visiting the thresholds of the apostles at certain prescribed times, according to the tenor of that which I have just read through. That I will seek out and oppose, persecute and fight (omni conatu persecuturum et impugnatorem) against heretics or schismatics who oppose our lord, the pope of Rome, and his before-mentioned successors, and this I will do with every possible effort."

Bishop's Oath.

"I, _____, elect of the _____ diocese, from henceforward will be faithful and obedient to St. Peter the Apostle and to the Holy Roman church, and to our lord, the holy pope of Rome, and to his successors, canonically entering, I will neither advise, consent nor do anything that they may lose life or member, or that their persons may be seized, or hands in anywise laid upon them, or any injuries offered to them, under any pretence whatsoever. The council with which they shall intrust me by themselves, their messengers or letters, I will not knowingly reveal to any, to their prejudice. I will help them to defend and keep the Roman papacy and the royalties of St. Peter against all men. The legate of the apostolic see, going and coming, I will honorably treat and help in his necessities. The rights, honors, privileges and authority of the Holy Roman church of our lord, the pope, and his aforesaid successors, I will endeavor to preserve, defend, increase and advance. I will not be in any counsel, action or treaty, in which shall be plotted against our said lord and Roman church, anything to the hurt or prejudice of their persons, rights honor, state or power, and, if I shall know any such thing to be treated or agitated by any whatsoever, I will hinder it to my utmost, and as soon as I can, I will signify it to our lord. The ordinances and mandates of the pope, I will observe with all my might and cause to be observed by others. "Heretics, schismatics and rebels to our said lord or his successors, I will to my utmost persecute and oppose. "Heretics, schismatics et rebelles eidem Domino nostro vel successoribus predictis pro posse persequar et oppugnabo." "I will come to a council when I am called, I will visit the threshold of the apostles every three years and give an account of our lord or his pastoral office and of the things belonging to my diocese, to the dis-

Extreme Oath of the Jesuit.

"I, _____, now in the presence of Almighty God, the blessed Virgin Mary, the blessed Michael the archangel, the blessed St. John the Baptist, the holy Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul and the saints and sacred host of heaven, and to you my ghostly father, the superior general of the society of Jesus, founded by Saint Ignatius Loyola in the pontification of Paul the Third, and continued to the present, do, by the womb of the virgin, the matrix of God, and the rod of Jesus Christ declare and swear that his holiness, the pope, is Christ's vice-gerent, and is the true and only head of the Catholic or universal church throughout the earth; and that by virtue of the keys of binding and loosing given to his holiness by my Savior, Jesus Christ, he hath power to depose heretical kings, princes, states, commonwealths and governments, all being illegal without his sacred confirmation, and that they may be safely destroyed. Therefore, to the utmost of my power, I will defend this doctrine and his holiness' right and custom against all usurpers of the heretical or Protestant authority whatsoever, especially the Lutheran church of Germany, Holland, Denmark, Sweden and Norway, and the now pretended authorities and churches of England and Scotland, and branches of the same now established in Ireland, and on the continent of America, and elsewhere, and all adherents in regard that they be usurped and heretical, opposing the sacred church of Rome. I do now denounce and disown any allegiance as due to any heretical king, prince or state named Protestant or Liberals or obedience to any of their laws, magistrates or officers. I do further declare that the doctrine of the churches of England and Scotland, of the Calvinists, Huguenots and others of the name of Protestant or Liberals, to be damnable, and they themselves to be damned who will not forsake the same. I do further declare that I will help, assist and advise all or any of his holiness' agents, in any place wherever I shall be, and to do my utmost to extirpate the heretical Protestant or Liberal doctrines, and to destroy all their pretended powers, legal or otherwise. I do further promise and declare that, notwithstanding I am dispensed with to assume any religion heretical for the propagation of the mother church's interest, to keep secret and private all her agents' counsels as they entrust me, and not to divulge, directly or indirectly, by word, writing or circumstances whatsoever, but to execute all that shall be proposed, given in charge, or discovered unto me, by you or my ghostly father, or any of this sacred convent. I do further promise and declare that I will have no opinion or will of my own or any mental reservation whatsoever, even as a corpse or cadaver peritine ac cadaveri, but will unhesitatingly obey each and every command that I may receive from my superiors in the militia of the pope and of Jesus Christ. That I will go to any part of the world whithersoever I may be sent, to the frozen regions of the north, the burning sands of the desert of Africa, or the pingles of India, to the centers of civilization of Europe, or to the wild haunts of the barbarous savages of America, without murmuring or repining and will be submissive in all things whatsoever, communicated to me. I do furthermore promise and declare that I will, when opportunity presents, make and wage relentless war, secretly or openly, against all heretics, Protestants and Liberals as I am directed to do, to extirpate them from the face of the whole earth, and that I will spare neither age, sex or condition, and that I will hang, burn, waste, boil, flay, strangle and bury alive these infamous heretics; rip up the stomachs and wombs of their women and crush their infants' heads against the walls in order to annihilate their

The Fenian's Oath.

"I swear by almighty God, by all in heaven and earth, by the holy prayer-book of my holy church, by the blessed Virgin Mary mother of God, by her sorrow and grief at the cross, by her tears and wallings, by the holy apostles St. Peter and Paul, by the glorious apostle of Ireland—St. Patrick—by the blessed and holy church of all ages, by the holy national martyrs, to fight upon the Irish soil, to fight for the independence of Ireland—to fight until I die, wading in the red gore of the Sassenach (Protestant) for the glorious cause of nationality; to fight until not a single vestige, track or footprint, is left to tell that the holy soil of Ireland was ever trodden by the Sassenach tyrants and murderers; and, moreover, when the Protestant robbers and cruels in Ireland shall be murdered and driven into the sea like the swine our Lord Jesus Christ caused to be drowned, then we shall embark for, and take England, and root out every vestige of the accursed blood of the heretic adulterer, Henry VIII., and possess ourselves of the beasts who have so long kept our island of saints—Old Ireland—in the chains of bondage, driven us from her shores, exiles into foreign lands. I will wade in the blood of Orangemen and heretics (Protestants) who do not join us and become ourselves. Scotland too, having given aid and succor to the beast, we shall live in her gore. We shall not give up until we have restored our holy faith all over the British Isles. To all of this I sincerely and conscientiously swear with my eyes blinded, not knowing who to be administrators this oath. "In testimony whereof I take this most holy and blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist, and witness the same further with my consecrated hand, in the presence of my holy bishop and all the priests who assist him in my ordination to the priesthood."

Oath of the Clan-na-Gael.

The following is the oath taken by the members of that famous Romish Catholic society: "I (name in full) do solemnly swear in the presence of Almighty God, that I will labor while life is left in me to establish and defend a republican form of government in Ireland; that I will keep secret the names and everything connected with the Irish brotherhood from all not entitled to know such secrets; that I will obey and comply with the constitution and laws of the same, whatever they may be; that I will preserve the funds of this order for the cause of Irish revolution alone as specified in the constitution; that I will deem it my special duty and mission to promote and foster sentiments of union, brotherly love, nationality, among all Irish Catholics; that I will not permit the nomination in any political caucus or convention of a person not pledged to the principles of this society; I will always give a member of this brotherhood preference in all matters of business, and will vote and work only for Irishmen for political office. I take this obligation without any mental reservation, holding the same forever binding upon me, and that any violation thereof or desertion of my duty to the brotherhood is infamous, and merits the severest punishment, so help me God." This oath the candidate is adjured to keep at the hazard of his life. It was printed in the Chicago Inter-Ocean and was sworn to be correct at the Cronin trial. It was reported by said paper December 16, 1893. Priests and bishops, act as chaplains for this holy (?) order. NEWSDEALERS can obtain THE AMERICAN from any wholesale news-dealer. Your customers will want it. Put it on your counter. The A. P. A. is org nized with public principles, but with a secret plan of campaign, and that rather from necessity than choice.