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THERE was no "riot" and no "bloodshed" in Omaha.

VENALITY sits enthroned in the office of the Omaha Bee.

In the lexicon of Rosewater there is no such word as veracity.

ROSEWATER is the acknowledged leader of the Nebraska Wry-Necks.

ROSEWATER'S social standing is on an exact plane with his political standing.

The disfavor of the Senior Simwater is a pretty sure passport to the favor of the people.

It is high time that the votaries of venality were driven from the temple of journalism.

OUR Paul and Silas are not of one accord, as were the Paul and Silas of sacred history.

ROSEWATER did his best to place Omaha in a bad light before the American public.

ROSEWATER'S methods and manners are consistently condemned by those in whom the civic virtues inhere.

THE very flower of Omaha's citizens consort with those whom Rosewater stigmatizes as "howling dervishes."

THE denationalization of the Americans of the State of Nebraska is too big a task for one alien Bohemian Jew.

ROSEWATER, thanks to a quickened public conscience, can no longer hoodwink any citizen who is both patriotic and intelligent.

THE Senior Simwater's homilies on civic virtue are highly amusing to those who are acquainted with the real character of the homilist.

TO THE ambitious politician: Hereafter, if you want to get elected to an office of honor and emolument, contrive to have the *Insect* oppose you.

THE young men in the *Insect* office whom the Senior Simwater has taught the science of "journalism" must feel especially proud of their preceptor.

THE control of a newspaper of the venal character of the *Bee* gives Rosewater no real advantage over a man of the indisputable integrity of Sam MacLeod.

IN Act III of "A Midsummer-Night's Dream," Bottom the weaver appears wearing the head of an ass. Such is the role which the editor of the Omaha *Bee* has been enacting for a fortnight.

JOHN IRELAND says: "Next to religion is patriotism." We would reverse that, because a patriot is broad enough to accept religion, while a religious man may be so bigoted that patriotism can find no dwelling place in his heart.

THERE has been no talk of rioting in Omaha except that indulged in by the official organ of the Roman church—the *Bee*—which has published columns of libelous articles against the American Protective Association, in the hope of inciting the ignorant Romans to deeds of violence. But no trouble has resulted, and no blood has been shed. Its anarchistic utterances failed to bear fruit.

DON'T censure Charley Greene for holding up before the court the fact that the A. P. A. counted upon the suffrages of "thousands of our citizens," and then, in the next breath, lauding the Roman Catholic church, and particularly the Roman Irish, in so extravagant a manner, while defending the old board of fire and police commissioners. Mr. Greene wasn't fighting the A. P. A. He was helping them. He knew the court would be fair if he abused Protestants and upheld Romanism.

HOLMES says that Emilie Cigrand, one of his so-called victims, confessed her ruin (by Holmes) to a Roman Catholic priest, and is now confined in a convent. What an example for our young women! Think of their being compelled to confess to an over-fed, lecherous, unmarried priest, all the horrible details of their ruin, under fear of excommunication from the holy (?) church. Young women and married women must tell in the confessional things which they dare not tell to their fathers, husbands or brothers. Just think of the ignorance and superstition of such a belief being taught in this enlightened century!

WHERE THE RESPONSIBILITY WILL REST.

The reiteration of Rosewater's charge by Deaver and Brown's counsel, that if the new commissioners secured control of the fire and police departments there will be riots and bloodshed in Omaha, might as well be analyzed now as later on. Has a citizen of Omaha heard the supporters of Messrs. Van Dervoort, Broatch or Foster declare that they would resort to unlawful means to see that the new law was put in operation and effect? Has a citizen of Omaha ever read or ever heard of, or ever known the men favoring the new law to commit an overt act? Have they ever been known to defy law? Have they ever countenanced disorder? Have they ever upheld anarchy? No; they do not approve of anything which will endanger the peace and good order of society.

Then who must be held responsible if acts of violence, if mob law, follow the displacement of Brown, Bemis and Deaver? Men of their ilk; of the ilk of Rosewater; the slums, which the Roman Catholic Church vomits on every community where she is losing political power and prestige! They are the ones who must be held responsible for all overt acts, for all disturbances and all damage resulting from mob rule.

Van Dervoort, Foster, Broatch, and the friends of the new act will obey the law; their allegiance is to the laws of this country; and they are willing to submit to the orders of courts. The fleshpots, the spoils of office, are not so dear to them that they cannot wait until the cause is properly adjudicated by the proper tribunals. Therefore, let it be understood that if there are any riots, if there is any bloodshed, those riots and that bloodshed must be the work of the lawless element in the Roman Catholic Church, under the direction of the priests of Rome and at the earnest solicitation of E. Rosewater.

Americans will not be a party to any lawless demonstrations, nor will they utter any inflammatory language.

There will be peace, order and quiet, unless Rosewater's crowd commit the unlawful acts.

CONTENDING AGAINST LAW.

Last week, when Messrs. Van Dervoort, Foster and Broatch attempted to assume and perform the duties devolving upon them as the board of fire and police commissioners, Judge Hopewell, upon the petition of Brown, Deaver and Bemis, issued a restraining order, and cited them to appear and show cause why an injunction should not obtain against them. The case came on for hearing Tuesday morning, and has occupied the attention of the court since that time. The opening argument was made by Rosewater's chief lackey, E. W. Simeral, of Douglas addition fame, who was followed by a sub-lackey, also of Douglas addition fame, Geo. W. Doane. The arguments of these gentlemen were exceedingly weak and pointless.

Mr. Frank T. Ransom opened for the defendants, Van Dervoort et al, in a powerful argument, backed by a number of strong citations. He was followed by Judge McCulloch in one of the most able arguments we have ever heard presented before a court of law or equity. His citations were simply unanswerable. Judge McCulloch was followed by Hon. R. S. Hall. Mr. Hall not only raised many new questions, he not only demonstrated the untenable positions of the plaintiffs, but he lined up all the authorities in such a formidable way that counsel for the defense found it convenient to shift from one position to another, in order to have any appearance of good faith and honesty, to back up the position their clients had assumed.

At the close of Mr. Hall's argument Mr. Charles J. Greene began the closing argument for the plaintiffs. He began talking Thursday afternoon, continued Friday morning, and resumed his argument at 1:30 p. m. Friday. From the manner in which Mr. Greene handles his case it is plain to us that he went into it without preparation, or else that he has the weakest case any lawyer of standing ever undertook to bring to a successful issue.

Mr. Greene concluded his argument at 2:30 p. m. Friday, and the court announced that a decision would be handed down Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

MR. GREENE'S QUESTION.

Mr. Chas. J. Greene, one of the attorneys for the usurping board of fire and police commissioners, asked this question Thursday afternoon, in the course of his argument against the new law governing the appointment of the fire and police commissioners of cities of the metropolitan class: "What great question of public importance was at stake in this issue that this change should be made in this law?" We opine that Mr. Greene had an answer framed in his own mind that would have satisfied every man, woman and child in this community—barring the few sympathizers of the malcontents whose battle he was fighting. We opine that Mr. Greene's answer to his own question, if clothed in words of ordinary use, would have sounded something like this: "Your honor, the

interest at stake was the right of every man to cast an untrammelled ballot; it was to prevent the levying of blackmail for political purposes; it was to place the fire and police departments beyond the control and manipulation of unscrupulous politicians whose only claim to respectability and decency lies in the fact that their villainies, their shielding of hoodlums and their crimes against every kind of virtue had not been passed upon by the courts; the question of public moment was whether law and order should prevail, or threats of riot, anarchy and bloodshed should be used to inflame the passions of the ignorant and superstitious as often as and whenever the purposes of certain politicians seemed to need the assistance of that class of our citizenship; the question at issue was whether the citizens of Omaha should rule their city or whether it should be ruled by a despotic band of political hysters who had for years fattened at the public's expense, while assuming to stand unalterable for good government and for the constitutional rights of our citizens; the great question at issue was whether one man should continue to dictate the appointments on that board or whether the right to petition would continue to have weight in matters of public concern; the question at issue was whether unscrupulous politicians should continue to hold a club over the gamblers, over the saloon-keepers and over the dive-keepers, and compel them to contribute to the campaign funds and rush to the support of the candidates selected by that coterie of political mountebanks, or whether they should exercise the rights guaranteed to them under the constitution, and vote for whom they please. These, your honor, are some of the reasons for the changing of this law; and, if your honor please, they were sufficient if other and weightier reasons could not be advanced."

AND now comes John Ireland once more, on his great wave of patriotism (?)—pat. applied for—and speaks his little piece: "Next to religion, is patriotism; next to love of church, is love of country." As there is but one church—the so-called Holy Roman Catholic Church—and as a man's country must come after the church, there must be many thousands in the United States who have no country, as they belong to churches which are not churches. If you have not got religion you cannot be patriotic; or, in other words, if you are not a member of the Roman Catholic church, you are not nor never can be patriotic, and are not Americans, as you have no country. This is the kind of patriotism (?) that induced thousands of the Roman Catholic Irish in the Union army to "shoot" to Canada when the Pope of Rome sent his blessing to Jeff Davis. May the holy (?) church keep all such patriotism, and for fear it will become contaminated, lock it up in cells in convents.

NEARLY two weeks ago we received what purported to be a dispatch from a citizen of Chicago, stating that he could furnish 5,000 armed Americans to put down the law-breakers of Omaha. Since then we have made a thorough search through the various patriotic orders of Chicago for a man bearing the name signed to the telegram. So far, we have failed to locate him. He is not known to leaders in the Orange order, the A. P. A., the J. O. U. A. M. or the P. O. S. of A. We presume it was one of Mr. Rosewater's friends who thought to trap us into making some indiscreet comment on the same. We do not have to go out of Nebraska to find men enough to put down law breakers. That is what we keep Judges Scott and Hopewell on the bench for.

GENERAL HARRISON is talked of for president again, says the Houtzdale (Pa.) Observer. It was under his administration that Frank Sattoli, the dago pope of America, made his triumphant entry into this country, being transferred from the ship in which he sailed to a government vessel, miles out from New York, and was received upon our shores with as much eclat as some mighty conqueror. We are of the opinion that Harrison is not the man wanted. How would Hon. W. S. Linton, of Michigan, do? It will require a thorough and uncompromising American to clean out the papist nest at Washington.

REV. JAMES BOYD BRADY, of Boston, Mass., some two weeks ago intimated in a sermon that McKinley and Harrison were members of the A. P. A. Gov. McKinley's private secretary, Mr. James Boyle, has written a letter denying that the governor is a member of the American order. Mr. Harrison has not been heard from. Gov. McKinley's denial was not necessary. People have not forgotten the late State Republican convention in Ohio, or the attitude of the A. P. A. toward the governor.

Boston Excursion Notes.
Half rates—liberal—arrangements—August 19th to 24th—good till next fall. Through cars via "Northwestern Line." THROUGH CARS, MIND YOU. No change at Chicago. The last Eastern Excursion this year—Niagara Falls, Saratoga, New York, St. Lawrence River, White Mountains, Boston. Ask questions at 1401 Farnam street and check your trunk at your house.

"How we Apples Do Swim."
TOLEDO, O., Aug. 1.—A startling denouement has occurred in connection with the well-known theatrical people, Edwin Holt and Mabel Eaton. Holt posed as a single man, and it was understood was soon to marry Miss Eaton, who is a wealthy heiress, her mother in Chicago holding her property as guardian until she is 25. She is now 22 years old. They have been giving Shakespearean performances in what is called the "Forest of Arden" since their company disbanded for the season, and have been patronized and lionized by the swell people of Toledo. But Holt forgot to pay several large debts, and one trouble led to another. Mrs. Holt and three children came here suddenly, and the same day Miss Eaton's mother arrived from Chicago. Holt disappeared, but was finally trapped in a farm-house, where he was hiding. A warrant was sworn out by Mrs. Holt charging him with desertion and neglect. Mrs. Eaton endeavored to persuade her daughter to return home, and says her daughter has been deceived, and Holt is a villain who has complete control over her. Hereafter, until the engagement closes, Mrs. Eaton will remain with her daughter. The separation of Holt and his wife is now probably permanent. Holt is in trouble financially and socially, and is in danger of severe penalty under the Ohio laws. Owing to the high connection of Miss Eaton here the affair has literally rent the upper ten circle of society. Miss Eaton an heiress! Ye gods, when did this happen? And Miss Eaton's "high connection" will afford food for reflection in Omaha, where she was raised.

See a Difference.

CHICAGO, August 3.—EDITOR THE AMERICAN: In your issue of this date I notice the following: "What! Americans actually acquiring positions under the city government of Chicago?" If I am not misinformed, I think you will find most, if not all, those appointees are Republicans, and their Americanism was not considered as against their Republicanism. Some of these gentlemen no doubt secured their positions through their ability to carry the primaries; and one of them boasted in my presence that he could conduct and had conducted just as crooked primaries as the other side. What he meant by that, I do not know. On the other hand, I know of several capable Americans who applied for positions, but who received no recognition whatever. They had, except in some cases where the presidents of the precinct clubs were unable to sign their own names, and had to make their X marks, procured the endorsement of the ward and precinct organizations. Think of the president of a Republican club being unable to write his own name! Like Ireland says: "Next to [the Roman Catholic] religion, is patriotism; next to love of the church, is love of country." Next to Republicanism, is Americanism! A Benedict Arnold who absconded with funds of the Independent American Citizens' party, last fall, is now a balliff in one of the courts. Another "patriot," who furnished the Republican campaign committee with affidavits, is holding down a clerkship as his reward. The golden rule, "Do unto others as you would that they should do unto you," is becoming Americanized, and now reads: "Do others, or they will do you."

We have a Republican legislature and a Republican city council, and we have heard nothing but boodle, boodle, boodle, since they have been in office. Our legislature votes to adjourn without ordering an investigation, and some members of our city council are indicted for putting boodle on ice. White-wash is cheap; the people have had a nine days' wonder. And at the next election you will be told of the excellent ticket put up by the party leaders, and which you are expected to support.

When the people learn to vote for candidates who have no Republican, Democratic or Roman collar around their necks, then you may find some Americans in office, and the complexion of the Irish village and the annex will not so closely resemble the town hall of Cork.

Oh, no; don't worry over Americans in office in this city, as G. Baldy Swift says he took his appointees from lists furnished by the regular ward and precinct clubs, and thus we have a business (?) administration. If there are any Americans in office, they must be acting as dog-catchers. AJAX.

More Subscribers for American Papers.

The A. P. A. is one great brotherhood, organized for a special purpose, the object of which is now getting to be very well known in political circles. The order has many elements of strength, one of which is its periodical literature, of which we propose now to write. The A. P. A. has many ably conducted periodicals in different parts of the country, but we believe that they are not so well supported as they should be. We are often astonished and pained to find that so few, comparatively, of the order take any patriotic paper, but when we express our surprise they always say with much assurance that when the time comes they will vote all right. We do not

doubt their honesty and sincerity, but they do not realize what they are losing, for American periodicals are excellent, patriotic food for the order, and essential to its growth in numbers, intelligence, influence and integrity. The members who take no American paper are not the ones who are the most punctual at meetings of the councils, nor the best workers for the good of the order, but they are the very ones who will be most likely to be lured away by the force of circumstances at the crucial moment.

But these lapses may be prevented in part if the members of the order will do their full duty in getting subscribers for American papers. Let each member of the order have some definite plan of work and get at least two paid-up subscribers every six months, and more if possible, which seems a small thing to do, and yet it would accomplish wonders. And if you, my patriotic fellow workers, will enter upon this business in earnest, you have no idea how well you can succeed. You will have subscribed yourselves, of course, then take your paper with you with certain pieces marked, give a short lecture and urge them to subscribe; and if any make the objection that they have not the money on hand offer, if you can, to any one the pay and wait on them till they can get it. And if you will persevere in this way you will be surprised to see your own increase of interest in the patriotic cause, and of the rapid progress the noble order will make.

Let no member of the A. P. A. or friend of the order go without an American paper simply because of poverty. Let the councils discuss the merits of the case at their meetings, and if they find any one too poor to subscribe and pay for his paper, help him in part, or to all, as the case may be, by passing the hat for his benefit. If this plan should be strictly followed the numbers and efficiency of the A. P. A. would be more than doubled by the next session of the Supreme Council next April, at which time three more daily patriotic papers could be established, and well supported; one in Washington, D. C., one in the south, and one in Chicago or in the west, which would make sure the election of an A. P. A. president in '96, or, at the furthest, in 1900. This view of the subject is no flight of fancy, no outburst of the imagination, no chimerical scheme or desire, but a sober reality based on actual cause and effect, worthy of the consideration of every American patriot in this momentous crisis, which will determine the success or defeat of the order and the life or death of the republic.

And now, my patriotic friends, what are we going to do about it? Shall any of us become false to our patriotic principles? Shall we become slack and indifferent in the work we have in hand? Shall we refuse or even neglect to sacrifice time, money and efforts for the good of the order? Can we afford to rob ourselves of the intellectual pleasure, the increased intelligence, the patriotic firmness and the knowledge of the right of all which the American papers will furnish? We answer, No. No. A thousand times No. Rather let us all be united and true, at all hazards; let us be intelligent, self-sacrificing, firm as a rock against all opposition, and have a proper sense of our individual responsibility to do our utmost for the patriotic cause, as though the whole weight of responsibility of success rested upon us personally. Hence, with such an increasing army of invincible patriots, it is only a question of time when they will triumph, and when our country will be rescued from priestly political dictation and papal tyranny. J. G. P.

Roman Labor Union.

In the West Bottom and a part of Kansas City, Kansas, a labor union is being organized solely of Roman Catholics for the purpose of boycotting all Protestant industries. Men, women and children are being initiated into the fold, and if reports of their members be not false, they intend to try and diminish Roman patronage to a fine point. They are good people to pattern after in this line.

Perry Controlled by the A. P. A.

PERRY, Ok., Aug. 5.—The A. P. A. is a potent factor in politics here. The council, which is controlled by the A. P. A. organization here, refused today to confirm Captain Dwyer or J. E. Patterson for chief of the fire department because of their supposed Catholicism. When chief and other policemen and all other city officers were appointed, the A. P. A. knocked out every Catholic appointment. The lines are being closely drawn and the next city election will be on this issue.

Talking About Excursions.

did you ever hear of anything cheaper than the Burlington Route's \$2.50 rate, Omaha to Kansas City and return? It's for one day only—Saturday, August 10th. Special excursion train will leave the Union Depot, Tenth and Mason streets, at 9:15 p. m. Back Monday morning in time for breakfast. Tickets and full information at 1324 Farnam street. What stops Neuralgia? Dr. Miles' Pain Pills.

MORE ABOUT OMAHA.

Probably the most desperate fight the Roman Catholic hierarchy has ever engaged in in this country is the one now being waged in Omaha against the A. P. A.

When the A. P. A. was first organized in that city the hierarchy believed the interests of the Roman church would be best subserved if represented by an organ—a thing which they sprung upon that community a few weeks after THE AMERICAN was launched. The columns of that organ were filled with vile attacks upon Protestantism and upon members of the A. P. A. But public sentiment did not sustain the venture, and after a precarious existence of a few months its creditors were astounded by the report that the plant had been removed from the state between two days.

For a time the hierarchy remained quiet; assumed an air of injured innocence, and trusted to the trenchant pen of a certain Episcopalian minister to vanquish the hated order and to defend Rome's rotten history and the disloyal utterances of itself and the laity.

But that, too, was insufficient to drive the cohorts of true Americanism from the field; and again the Romans disappeared, only to cry bigotry, persecution and religious intolerance.

Now they have come to the surface again, and are doing all in their power to bring the A. P. A. into disrepute.

They have secured the services of a daily paper, which belabors the American order and certain of its members in the most approved Roman style—resorting to base fabrications, misrepresentations and libelous innuendoes—to such an extent that people have grown weary of its un-American attitude, and have commenced to withdraw their support, subscriptions and advertising from Rome's disgraceful champion, whose editor has been repeatedly accused of being guilty of some of the most heinous offenses against good order, law and society.

But Rome will be whipped this time as she has always been whipped before, and the friends throughout the country will have occasion to rejoice because of her discomfiture and her utter defeat.

Just at present the question of supremacy depends upon the action of the supreme court. If it decides that the new law governing the appointment of the fire and police commissioners of Omaha is constitutional, Rome will never again be a factor in the politics of Omaha; and the opinion of many of the best attorneys in the state is that the law is valid and constitutional.

The sustaining of this law means the complete overthrow of the Omaha *Bee* and its editor, E. Rosewater, who has assumed to be a dictator in Nebraska politics for years. Until the session of the last legislature he never opposed anything but what he was sustained. Then, however, he undertook to impeach Judge Scott, and could not induce a member of either branch of the legislature to father the charges. Then he asked the governor to sign the sugar bounty bill; but that he refused to do. Then he opposed the fire and police commission bill, but it passed both branches and went to the governor for his signature. At Rosewater's solicitation, if not at his dictation, the governor vetoed the measure. It then went back to the legislature and was passed over the governor's veto by more than a two-thirds vote, in both house and senate, and became a law August 1.

Rosewater now attempts to retain in power, without warrant or authority of law, the old fire and police commission, which was legislated out of office, even going so far as to incite riots and cause bloodshed in order to have his prediction, that the city of Omaha would be in a state of anarchy if the A. P. A. was placed in charge of its fire and police departments, verified. So far there have been no disturbances; and there will be none if he waits for the members of the A. P. A. to be the aggressors.

The end is near at hand, and the defeat of Rosewater and Rome is almost assured.

Roman Pressure.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 5, 1895.—Two Romanists of Kansas City, Kan., made a descent upon one of our large packing houses and presented the names of eighteen of their Roman friends, demanding that eighteen Protestants who were employed by the firm be discharged and the Romans placed in their positions. One of those presenting the names was a priest. This shows the persistency of Rome and the undaunted gall of the priesthood. The sooner these promoters of papacy can be dethroned, the better for the American people. It is time to call a halt, and a permanent one at that.

SPECIAL EXCURSION

To Kansas City—Only \$2.50.
THE MISSOURI PACIFIC will run a Special Excursion to Kansas City, leaving Omaha about 9 p. m., Saturday, August 10th. Returning, leave Kansas City Union Depot at 9:15 p. m., Sunday evening, giving the full day in either Atchison, Leavenworth or Kansas City. DON'T MISS IT.
For further information call at City Offices, northeast corner Thirteenth and Farnam streets, or at the depot.