

## THE POPE'S JESUITS

Are the Sworn Minions of a Foreign Tyrant Who Seeks to Rule America.

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The Jesuits are the sworn minions of the foreign tyrant who seeks to rule America. They are bent on the destruction of our public schools, the debauchery of our politics, and whatever can work the overthrow of Protestant liberty and the triumph of Catholic despotism. Nothing less than this is the ultimate purpose of Jesuitism. The Freeman's Journal—one of the leading organs of Catholicism—asks the question: "Is it the intention of the pope to possess this country?" and replies: "Undoubtedly." "In this intention, is he aided by the Jesuits and all the Catholic prelates and priests?" The reply is: "Undoubtedly, if they are true to their religion."

To any one who is at all familiar with the facts of our country's history, it is astonishing and alarmingly apparent, and the papal hierarchy is silently and surely accomplishing this reasonable purpose.

Catholics themselves being witnesses, the Catholic Church in America is not only getting a corner on the post-office, the police and fire departments and the city schools, but also on the saloons; and is furnishing an overwhelming proportion of the inmates of jails and penitentiaries.

Many who are well acquainted with the true character of Romanism are indifferent to it because not aware of its rapid growth among us. They tell us, and truly, that Rome loses great numbers of adherents here through the influence of our free schools, free institutions, and the strong pervasive spirit of independence which is so hostile to priestly authority. But let us not congratulate ourselves too soon. The losses of Romanism in the United States are not necessarily the gain of Protestantism.

Romanism is chiefly responsible for German and French infidelity. Skepticism and infidelity are the legitimate children of unreasoning and superstitious credulity and the grandchildren of Rome. Apostate Romanists are swelling the ranks of our most dangerous classes. Unaccustomed to think for themselves, and having thrown off authority, they become the easy victims of the wildest and most dangerous propagandists. Thus far all the bomb-throwers have been furnished by the Roman Catholic Church.

But, notwithstanding the great losses sustained by Romanism in the United States, it is growing with great rapidity.

From 1800 to 1880 the population increased ninefold; the membership of all evangelical churches, twenty-sevenfold, and the Romanist population, sixty-threefold.

From 1850 to 1880 the population increased 116 per cent, the communicants of evangelical churches 185 per cent, and the Romanist population 294 per cent. During the same period the number of evangelical churches increased 125 per cent, and the number of evangelical ministers 173 per cent, while Roman Catholic churches increased 447 per cent and priests 391 per cent. (Strong).

Rome, with characteristic foresight, is concentrating her strength in the western territories. As the west is to dominate the nation, she intends to dominate the west. In the United States a little more than one-seventh of the population is Catholic; in the territories taken together, more than one-third. In the whole country there are not quite two-thirds as many Romanists as there are members of evangelical churches. Not including Arizona and New Mexico, which have a large native Roman Catholic population, the six remaining territories in 1880 had four times as many Romanists as there were members in all Protestant denominations collectively; and including Arizona and New Mexico, Rome had eighteen times as many as all Protestant bodies.

The most wretched members of society count as much at the polls as the best, and often much more. It is poor consolation which is drawn from ignorance of any portion of our population. These degraded people are clay in the hands of the Jesuits. When the Jesuits were driven out of Berlin, they declared that they would plant themselves in the western territories of America. And they are there to-day with empires in their brains. Expelled



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by their intrigues even from Roman Catholic countries—Spain, Portugal, France, Italy, Austria, Mexico, Brazil, and other states—they are free to colonize in the great west; and are there, proposing to Romanize and control our western empire.

There are some stubborn and fearful facts concerning Catholicism in the strategic centers of our political and national life. "It is exceedingly manifest in the history of our country that Romanism allies with any party that will give it power and further its interests. The greed for money has ever possessed the Church of Rome, and wherever she has ruled she has built up her influence both by public funds and by impoverishing the masses. Her plunder of treasures and her exactions from her adherents have been so pitiless and ravenous that in the end they have been emasculated, stripped of power and robbed of inspiration."

The Roman Catholics have \$12,000,000 worth of property in the City of Washington—largely secured since the Civil War. Fully two-thirds of this represents contributions by Protestants—gotten from government clerks by a system of beggary, with more or less of coercion in it, and from the government by appropriations which are regularly made to some of their institutions. All of the Protestants' holdings in this city do not approach in value half of this amount. This immense ecclesiastical power has now become a menace of frightful proportions. Satolli and his retinue are referred to by the daily press of this city as the papal legation. This is by Roman Catholic direction or approval, of course, as nothing goes into the press which has not the approval of the Roman Catholic Church. Government officials do their work under a Jesuitic surveillance that puts the whole government system practically under the eye of the Romish priesthood. The clerks are expected to pay money over to the nuns. In the civil-service examinations the Roman Catholics always succeed better because they can get, in advance, the questions of the examination. Romanists are not over a seventh of the population; their voters are not over a tenth of our voting population; and their illiteracy, foreign spirit, and birth would make their just proportion in official positions a mere handful. Why do they preponderate in Washington? For political effect. There are government clerks who thus pay regularly

from 10 to 25 per cent of their wages for the purpose of holding their positions. On pay-days in the Pension Bureau, as the clerks receive their pay, they file out between two nuns who stand on either side with boxes extended. As is well known, the Roman Catholic Church maintains an Indian bureau at Washington. All of us remember how a committee of Roman prelates endeavored to prevent the confirmation by the senate of a man who was the choice, not simply of the President, but all who believed in Indians being educated in government schools and made intelligent citizens. It is the misfortune of the Roman Catholic Church in this country that it seeks to control education. The misfortune lies in the fact that its purpose leads to constant irritation of public feeling and to dispute, because the people of the United States are resolved that no church shall control education. Every sect is of course free to establish schools at its own expense for the instruction of such children as may be sent to them. But the use of public money to sustain such schools is contrary to public feeling and public policy. The purpose of these schools primarily, as it was in the early Jesuit missions in Canada, is to make Roman Catholics rather than American citizens.

Now, in eight years they have received \$2,366,496 to teach Indians of the northwest that the only true church is the Roman Catholic, and to detach them from loyalty to the Stars and Stripes. Every popish chapel is a standing protest against God's government, and a threat against the peace and liberty of the country which shelters it. President Cleveland has Cardinal Gibbons come to the White House for conference. Why were Roman Catholics placed at the head of the national campaign committees of both the great political parties in the past presidential campaign? For political effect alone. Are there not able Protestants, in either the Democratic or Republican party, who can be trusted with these high duties? Is it not about time that Protestants and cabinets and congresses were called to strict account for pandering to a church that has been the assassin of liberty in every land where she has obtained foothold?

The recent demonstrations in Spain will not help the Spanish cause in Cuba, and it may result in the entire loss of the West Indies to Spain.

### THE A. P. A. MAKING READY.

It Will Try to Cut Some Figure in the Campaign For Governor.

The American Protective Association—the religio-political organization better known by the triumvirate of initials—will meet in Minneapolis a week from to-day. It is to be the annual convention of the order for Minnesota. The organization generally discriminates in favor of this city when it comes to having these annual gatherings. This year the convention will be held at Masonic Temple. The proceedings will be secret—until they get to the public. This year the discussions will pertain largely to politics and politicians. When dealing with the latter special attention will be given to the gubernatorial aspirants. An effort will be made to select the man of the five or six aspirants whom the order will support. The idea is to pick a favorite and then get as many members of the order into the state convention as possible. Just the way things are now it is impossible to say who will be the lucky candidate.

Very little has been heard of the A. P. A. of Minneapolis or the state for some time now, but it is known that an effort is being made to bring about better organization, and if possible secure a larger membership. It is given out by some of the leaders that when the order gets in fair working shape it will give special attention to the gubernatorial situation. As yet the matter has not been discussed to any special extent, but some of the more enthusiastic members of the order have intimated that two particular candidates for the governorship are likely to be selected as victims of the wrath of the organization. These two candidates are ex-Governor McGill and ex-Mayor Eustis. It is claimed that the first named gentleman is on speaking terms with Archbishop Ireland—in fact, the claim really assumes a more serious character, for it is said the ex-governor has expressed, on divers occasions, a very great respect for the Roman Catholic prelate, whom he seems to regard as a good and patriotic American citizen. Some of the members of the A. P. A. say that the ex-governor, if seated in the chief chair of the commonwealth, would give respect to the wishes and suggestions of the archbishop, and this they do not want. The gentleman who served as mayor of Minneapolis for two years, and failed

to please everybody, is said to have discriminated in favor of Catholics when it came to discharging men from and taking men into the city police force. It is asserted that among the fifty or sixty policemen, men whom he let go during the two years, there were several men who happened to belong to the A. P. A. It is also further alleged and asserted that the ex-mayor, upon a certain 17th of March, appeared at several entertainments which were given under the auspices of Catholic societies, and that on each and every such occasion the ex-mayor delivered himself of a speech, in which he showed more respect for the memory of Ireland's patron saint than is consistent with good American citizenship—as the A. P. A. understands the term. With that foresight which is characteristic of clever political workers the organization which thus displays its early antagonisms had a committee out after facts a great many months ago. This committee, so it is said, was so efficient and vigilant that it has an array of statistics that are said to be conclusive and convincing. The time and place and the length of each of these several speeches by his then honor, the mayor, are carefully and accurately recorded, with the names of several impartial and unbiased witnesses in each offense. Whenever the speaker gave way to his disposition to do a little "jollyng," and said some complimentary things calculated to please his auditors—not the vigilance committee—the gentlemen with the lead pencil and tab were particular to make indelible notations, and these have been carefully laid away for future reference.

When these records are exposed to the public it will be understood that the campaign is on in dead earnest.—Minneapolis Times.

### Naturalization.

It has been asserted by many that without the aid of immigrants we should never have been here ourselves; that having come, we should never have achieved our independence without them, and, finally, that we owe all our progress in arts and arms, in wealth and power, to the aid we have received from immigrants. There is some truth in each of these three propositions, but it is so confounded with error that its chief use seems to be to grace a falsehood. Let me, in a few words, examine each of these falsehoods. I can hardly conceive, Mr.

Editor, of a more perfect contrast than exists between those who landed at Plymouth, and were the nucleus of this great republic, and those hosts which have been vomited on our shores from the prisons and poor-houses, the starving and ignorant districts of the Old World. The Pilgrim fathers were not miserable bigots in search of the bones of some misnamed saint, from whom they expected forgiveness of sins or intercession with Heaven. They were the elite of England, educated, wealthy, thoughtful men, unwilling to be dictated to by the head of any church, English or Roman. We as a people of the United States are too lenient with foreigners. We have invited them to become fellow-citizens with us in our privileges, placing them on the same footing, and allowing them to enjoy the same privileges and immunities that we enjoy ourselves, and now they are showing us how they appreciate our generosity by insisting that we excuse them and their children from being wholly and truly American. They seemingly want to destroy our public schools by teaching their catechisms and their religious views therein. It is further true, Mr. Editor, that they have come from starving Ireland and found employment on our railroads and other public works, and as they plan nothing or invent nothing, they are entitled to about as much credit as the mules and other beasts of burden that have worked by their side. If their labors have enabled our factories to increase and our railroads to stretch out with unequalled despatch all over our wide domain, it remains to be proved that this rapid expansion has not caused more ruin and more domestic misery than all the money it has produced can easily atone for. I am old-fashioned enough to believe that if these works had been left to the steady progress of American industry, if no immigrant had ever turned a sod or borne a hod, it would have been better for the country, for who is so blind as not to perceive that if our wealth had been increased a hundred fold without any disastrous revulsion, it would have been a poor return for all the evils that have come in the train of immigration. I refer, Mr. Editor, to the increase of crime, to the deterioration of public manners, to the corruption of the ballot-box, to the—I had almost said—to the loss of our liberty, civil and religious; for who does not know that most of the immigrants, in a religious point of view, are the tools of the Roman priesthood, and in a civil aspect the tools of our politicians? Already they hold the balance of power, and have elected several of our presidents. Already they have declared the Bible to be a sectarian book, unfit to be read in our public schools. Already they have laughed at us for the free toleration they have received, and boast that when they have the control, as they intend and expect to have, we must not expect any toleration in return. All we now ask, sirs, is that such restrictions may be laid upon the naturalization of foreigners, that they may not have the control of our institutions until they are educated; until they have had time to become Americanized; until, in fine, they have become free and independent of all foreign potentates, both civil and religious.

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### Cullom for President.

The following interesting information is from the Catholic Citizen of Milwaukee:

"Since Senator Cullom's return from Illinois his actions have been closely watched by the friends of the other aspirants for the presidency, says a Washington letter. There is no doubt that Mr. Cullom considers himself a very available dark horse. The retirement of Harrison from the contest has given him new hope, and he believes that his chances have materially improved. Cullom bases his hope on the belief that the avowed candidates will break each other's chances of capturing the nomination. In this emergency the Illinois senator feels that his opportunity will come, and he is working his way accordingly.

"It has been noticed during the past few days that Senator Cullom has been conferring very frequently with conspicuous leaders of the A. P. A. organization. While the debate was going on in the house of representatives over the District of Columbia bill, a measure that the A. P. A. was very much interested in, the leaders frequently hurried across to the senate end of the capitol to confer with the Illinois senator. The closeness of the A. P. A. leaders to Senator Cullom attracted so much attention that inquiries were made by the political leaders at the capitol regarding Cullom's past political relations. It was ascertained that he was a member of the old Know-nothing party, and that he will have the quiet, but earnest support of the A. P. A. leaders if the convention."