

THE PARTING OF THE WAYS.

PEORIA, Illinois, May 12, 1896.—EDITOR THE AMERICAN: The intelligent student of history would reach the conclusion that both the great old parties of this country are in danger of disintegration.

They would paralyze industry, fetter the sails of commerce and provoke universal bankruptcy. It is useless—worse than useless—to say that these men are honest. They are afflicted with a blindness sent by the gods precedent to destruction.

The two old parties must bear in mind that the existence of neither is well-being of the country. The Democratic party favoring slavery and Romanism flourished for awhile, and then was wiped out entirely, buried so deeply that it scarce dared to show its head for thirty years.

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is need of men with the courage of heroes and the faith of martyrs to hew down the thorns and temples of iniquity with the ballot, and if need be, to meet the armed forces of the hierarchy on the bloody field. Sometimes we hear the American Protective Association is a failure. On one occasion while Napoleon was in the midst of his wonderful Italian campaign, an officer rode up to him with the announcement that the battle was lost.

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THE A. P. A. AND POLITICS.

Independence of all Parties Held to be the Only Good Policy.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The annual address of President W. J. H. Traynor of the A. P. A. was given to the newspapers last night after it had been carefully edited by a special committee and much of it cut out. Of the political phases of the order he said: "The American Protective Association is today a recognized factor in American politics, whose favor is openly courted by political leaders, organizers and candidates for public office, who, a year or two ago, ignored, treated with contempt or denounced it. The A. P. A. is a standing menace to the perpetuity of every party, being composed, as it is, of the members of every party.

hind him, what assurance have we that this toleration will not cease the moment the votes have been delivered?" The president expressed regret that the A. P. A. had in some states been used by party machines. He discouraged any attempt to secure the nomination of a member of the order for the presidency by either party. Referring to the advisory board which created a sensation by its attack upon McKinley, he said: "A source of prospective danger is the national advisory board, as it is at present constituted. In its present form it is in danger at any time of coming into collision with the supreme executive board, which is the supreme council out of the session, and undoubtedly the superior of all other boards. At present it recognizes no superior but the supreme council in session, and may pursue one policy while the supreme president and his cabinet pursue one entirely opposed to it."

Father Erhard Found Guilty. Father Lawrence Erhard of Somenauk, De Kalb county, was called before Judge Grosscup in the federal court this morning charged with violating the mail laws in sending a letter to Mrs. C. Berger of his parish. The priest wrote the letter in discharge of what he considered his duty. Mrs. Berger was engaged to marry a man who had been divorced from his wife. The priest was unable to see her personally, and he wrote her a letter in which he told her that it was against the canons of the church for one to marry another who had been divorced. He concluded by telling her that in the eyes of the church she would not be a respected woman, saying: "I call upon the Almighty to strike you with a loathsome disease that you may be an example to the future generations of the parish."

Priest Charged With a Serious Offense.

BAY CITY, Mich., May 14.—The Rev. Marian Mathowski, pastor of St. Stanislaus church, was arrested at 9:30 this morning on a warrant sworn out by Valentine Cwikilinski, who charges that Mathowski mistreated his daughter Marta the night of February 19 last in the church parsonage. The girl was 14 years old January 7, 1896. Mathowski, through his attorneys, waived reading of the information and pleaded not guilty. The examination was set for Wednesday, May 20. Bail in the sum of \$1,000 was furnished.

When down town drop in at John Ruddy's and leave your watch, if it is out of repair, to be fixed, 317 No. 16 St. THE AMERICAN to Jan. 1, 1897, 50c.

A WRONGED GIRL.

The Grand Jury After Priest Conniff, For Seduction. The Louisville evening Times, of May 14th, says the grand jury is investigating a charge of seduction against priest Rev. James Conniff, of this city. He is charged with seducing Miss Tillie Poggenburg, of Griffith avenue. The priest is said to be in Chicago, and Miss Poggenburg is in such a delicate condition that she cannot even be conveyed before the grand jury in a carriage. The Times further adds, that the A. P. A. is supposed to be behind the investigation. The report alluded to in the Times has been rife for some weeks in the western part of the city, and we have been repeatedly urged to give it publicity, but preferred that the matter should reach the public through official sources. What we heard however, was that Miss Poggenburg was sent to Priest Conniff to get him to officiate at a funeral. While in his parlor, he seized her and virtually committed a rape, defying her to tell her parents, when she threatened to do so. When her condition became such that she could no longer conceal her shame, she told the whole circumstance to her mother. After offering various sums to compromise, ranging from a hundred up to a thousand dollars and failing, Priest Conniff fled to parts unknown. No doubt influences are now at work to keep Miss Tillie from appearing before the grand jury. No one can blame her for this reluctance, however. But the A. P. A., we are told, are behind the prosecution. Was ever a higher compliment paid, unmerited though it may be, to the American Protective Association? A tender girl, less than sixteen, whom to know carnally, even by her consent, is a penitentiary offense, with a penalty of from three to five years, is assaulted by a priest when she goes to him with a bowed heart to invite him to assist at a funeral. The church authorities hide the culprit, and spirit him away, John Surratt like. The father, when told to get a club and beat the priest's brains out, answered, that I "can't do anything to a priest," and only the A. P. A. is left to take steps to satisfy offended justice and avenge outraged innocence. Well may every Catholic mother thank her God that the A. P. A. has come.—Freedom's Banner, Louisville.

A Curious Prophecy.

Over forty years ago an old German hermit published in a Bavarian paper a curious prophecy. In it he foretold the Austro-Russian and Franco-Russian wars, the death of Pope Pius and the Turko-Russian debate at arms. He said that Germany would have three emperors in one year before the end of the century, and indicated the death of two United States presidents by assassination. All these things have come to pass. In the same article he said that when the twentieth century opens great seismic disturbances will take place, which will cause the submersion of New York city and the western half of the city of Havana. Cuba is to break in two, while Florida and Lower California are to suffer total extinction. The shock of earthquakes will raze buildings to the ground in almost every city on the continent, millions of lives and billions of dollars' worth of property will be lost. There is to be a change in the economic conditions of almost every civilized nation. He foretells the growth of a democratic spirit in England, which will result in a revolution that will overthrow the present form of government and make the country a republic. He says the last ruler of England will be the best the country ever had, and the first president of the new nation will be one of the royal family. Queen Victoria is by all odds the best ruler England ever had, and in a recent speech the Prince of Wales said it was his desire to live to see England a republic. According to the hermit, Russia, France and Italy will form an alliance and will enter into war with Turkey. This war is to be the outgrowth of Turkish persecution of Christian subjects. This triple alliance will conquer the domain of the sick man of the east. At the expiration of the war complications will arise that will plunge Italy and France into war with Russia. The result will be that the two countries will be gobbled up by the northern power, and will cease to exist as independent nations. While war is being waged between them the pope will move the seat of Catholicism from Rome to some town in Southern Ireland. A rebellion will take place in the land of the shamrock, in which the country will become independent of England. Then a conflict will arise between the ultra-Catholics of the south of Ireland and the ultra-Protestants of the north, in which the southerners will be victorious. A kingdom will be established, and it is predicted that the reign of the first potentate will become historic for its tyranny. The prophet paints a dark picture

for the United States. He says at the close of the century a feeling of unrest will seize the people. This feeling will be the outgrowth of unequal social and economic conditions. He predicts that the twenty-fifth president will be the last executive head of the United States. During his administration the masses will break into open rebellion, and the established form of government will be rent assunder, and for a year or more anarchy will prevail. When order shall be brought out of chaos six republics will be formed, with capitals at the following cities: San Francisco, Denver, New Orleans, St. Louis, Washington and Boston.—New York Mercury.

The W. A. P. A. in Council.

Wednesday and Thursday of this week, says the Denver American, the State Council of the Woman's American Protective Association of Colorado was in annual session at Elks Hall in Denver. The attendance was larger than ever before, and deep interest was manifested in all the proceedings. Besides a full representation from all the Denver councils, there were delegates present from almost all the important cities and towns in the state. Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Cripple Creek, Aspen, Leadville, Creede, Anaconda, Gunnison, and other mountain towns had earnest delegates in attendance. Owing to the nature of attending circumstances there was some diversity of opinion as to matters under consideration by the state council, but there was no "bolting," as stated by an evening paper, and there was no serious dissension. The W. A. P. A. of Colorado is most prosperous in Denver and throughout the state, and the good work already accomplished by the order will be supplemented by much more that will be even better. The election of state officers resulted in the re-election of those who served so faithfully and well last year, with the exception of the vice-president. Some of the minor officers, formerly elective, are, by the new supreme constitution, now appointed by the state president. The position of state president is one of high honor, and there were, as usual, a number of aspirants for this distinguished preferment; but, as indicated by the American several times of late, a majority of the delegates sustained Mrs. Klock and honored her by re-election. The elective officers chosen for the ensuing year are as follows: State President, Mrs. Frances S. Klock, of Denver. Second Vice-President, Miss Lizzie Capell, of Colorado Springs. State Treasurer, Mrs. Hattie Howze, of Denver. State Secretary, Mrs. Minnie Cook, of Denver. The American congratulates the order upon so successful a session of the state council and also upon the wisdom used in the selection of state officials for the coming year.

Century Called Down.

The Central Baptist says editorially: The Century for May seems to us to go very much out of its way to deliver a trade against the order of the American Protective Association. It will be a great relief to the country to know that the editor of the Century will feel better after having freed his mind in this sort of way. It is none of our business to vindicate the A. P. A. or to justify its policy. No doubt it has made many blunders, and it may come to grief in its undertakings. However, no man with American spirit in his breast can fail to give hearty endorsement to the general principles which the order represents. That which seems to anger the editor of the Century more than anything else is the refusal of congress to continue the appropriation of something like a half million dollars out of the public treasury to support Roman schools among the Indians. All the way through the Baptists have objected to any such sectarian appropriations, and all other denominations are now in accord with them. We do not question that the government ought to provide for the education of Indians as some sort of return for having taken from them their homes, but we most emphatically protest against the assumption that the only way to educate the Indians is to open the public treasury to the practiced hands of grasping priests. It is time to stop the iniquity which has been going on for a good many years. To this great reform there ought to be added the withdrawal of all state and municipal aid to every institution which is under the control of any religious body. If to hold such principles is A. P. A. ism, then this country is full of them.

Call For Republican County Convention and Primaries.

HEADQUARTERS REPUBLICAN COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE, OMAHA, NEBRASKA, MAY 22, 1896. The Republican electors of Douglas county, Nebraska, will assemble in delegate convention at Washington hall, May 29, 1896, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing one hundred and sixteen (116) delegates to the Republican state convention which convenes in Lincoln, Nebraska, July 1, 1896, for the purpose of placing in nomination Republican can-

didates for the state office, as mentioned in the call of the state central committee.

The apportionment of the county convention will be as follows: Each ward from the city of Omaha nine (9) delegates; the city of South Omaha fourteen (14) delegates, and the thirteen country precincts five (5) delegates each.

The primary election will be held in South Omaha, Jefferson and Union precincts and each ward in the city of Omaha on May 28, 1896, between the hours of 12 o'clock m. and 7 o'clock p. m. at the following named places: First ward—No. 1106 So. 6th St. Second ward—No. 1328 So. 16th St. Third ward—At such place as the committee from that ward may designate.

Fourth ward—No. 222 So. 17th St. Fifth ward—Club room, 18th and Lake. Sixth ward—No. 2521 N. 24th St. Seventh ward—No. 1212 So. 24th Ave. Eighth ward—No. 911 No. 24th St. Ninth ward—Club room 29th and Farnam. South Omaha—Daugherty building, 24th near Q St. Union precinct—Purcell's hall, Irvington, Neb. Jefferson precinct—Schnelder's hall, Bonnington, Neb.

East Omaha—At East Omaha school house, between the hours of 6 and 7 p. m., and all other precincts on the same date at such hour and place as may be designated by the members of the central committee from said precinct.

The primaries will be governed by the rules adopted by the county central committee of May 16, 1896. Copy of said rules may be obtained upon application to the secretary of this committee. A. J. LUNT, Secretary. JOHN LEWIS, Chairman.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1896. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

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Notice.

To Robert E. Spellman, non-resident defendant: You will take notice that on the 2nd day of May, 1896, Ella Spellman filed a petition against you in the district court of Douglas county, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which is to obtain a divorce from you on the ground of extreme cruelty, and that you have been a habitual drunkard, also you have been guilty of willfully deserting plaintiff for more than two years last past. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 29th day of June, 1896. Omaha, Nebraska, May 22, 1896. ELLA SPELLMAN, Plaintiff. By John L. Carr, her attorney. 5-22-4

Notice to Take Depositions.

In the district court of Douglas county, Nebraska. LORENA A. PORTER, Plaintiff, vs. EDWARD D. PORTER, Defendant. STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss. Douglas County, ss. Edward D. Porter, defendant, will take notice that on the 12th day of June, 1896, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 p. m., at the office of A. M. Saunders, in the Opera House Block, in the city of Watertown, county of Jefferson, state of New York, the plaintiff caused to be taken the depositions of Mrs. Matilda Whites; Mrs. Ida Colon and Theodore Colon, witnesses in this action to be used as evidence at the trial of the above entitled cause, before competent authority, with authority to adjourn from day to day until all such depositions have been taken. LORENA A. PORTER, Plaintiff. By her attorneys, Saunders & Macfarland. Doc. 56; No. 32. 5-22-4

Probate Notice.

In the matter of the estate of Trued Pearson, deceased: Notice is hereby given, that the creditors of said deceased will meet the administrator of said estate before me, County Judge of Douglas county, Nebraska, at the county court room in the city of Omaha, Douglas county, Nebraska, on the 21st day of July, 1896, on the 21st day of September, 1896, and on the 21st day of November, 1896, at 9 o'clock a. m. each day, for the purpose of presenting their claims for examination and allowance. Six months are allowed for the creditors to present their claims and one year for the administrator to settle said estate. From the 21st day of May, 1896; this notice will be published in THE AMERICAN for four weeks successively, prior to the 21st day of July, 1896. IRVING F. BAXTER, County Judge. 5-22-4

SAUNDERS & MACFARLAND.

ATTORNEYS, 1406 Farnam Street. SHERIFF'S SALE.—UNDER AND BY VIRTUE of an order of sale on decree of foreclosure of tax lien issued out of the district court for Douglas county, state of Nebraska, and to me directed, I will, on the 22nd day of June, A. D. 1896, at ten o'clock a. m. of said day, at the EAST front door of the county court house, in the city of Omaha, Douglas county, Nebraska, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the property described in said order of sale as follows, to-wit: Lot eight (8) in block three (3), also lots nineteen (19), twenty (20) and twenty-one (21) in block three (3), and lot eight (8) and also lots nineteen (19) and twenty (20) in block six (6) of Saunders and Himebaugh's Highland Park, an addition to the city of Omaha, Douglas county, and state of Nebraska, as surveyed, platted and recorded. Said property to be sold to satisfy Walter E. Keeler, plaintiff herein, the sum of sixty-five and 24/100 dollars (\$65.24), with interest thereon at the rate of ten (10) per cent per annum from February 3rd, A. D. 1896, in the manner for the amounts found due against each lot, and as directed in the decree. Also to satisfy the further sum of twenty-nine and 26/100 dollars (\$29.26) costs herein, together with accruing costs according to a judgment rendered by the district court of said Douglas county, at its February term, A. D. 1896, in a certain action then and there pending, wherein Walter E. Keeler is plaintiff and Ernest A. Benson, the 2nd, is defendant, his wife, Alonzo F. Tukey, Trustee, and The Omaha Real Estate and Trust Company, a corporation, are defendants. Dated at Omaha, Nebraska, May 22nd, A. D. 1896. JOHN W. McDONALD, Sheriff of Douglas County. Saunders & Macfarland, attorneys for plaintiff. Keeler vs. Benson, et al. Doc. 52; No. 148. 5-22-5



Mrs. Estigm E. Smith, Reno, Cal.

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