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IN A HYPNOTIC SLEEP!

Both Branches of Congress and the President Flirting With Rome.

The Few Patriots Who Are Aware of the Liaison Protest but They Are Studiously Ignored.

President McKinley appears to be hypnotized by McKenna. He refused to listen to the protests of his best friends, and spend more time with McKenna and the McKenna family than with any other person or persons in Washington.

In the New York World of Friday last appeared this editorial:—

"There is still reason to hope that Mr. McKinley may spare the country the nomination of Attorney General McKenna to the supreme court bench. Even California—the state he comes from—doesn't want him, as the utterances of the press there clearly show, and certainly there is no reason why the rest of the country should desire his appointment.

"He is at best only a third-rate lawyer, with no ripening experience on the bench. He is, and always has been, the hired tool of corporations, saturated with the ideas the monopolies desire to see prevail on the supreme court bench.

"Why should Mr. McKinley appoint such a man when the country is full of fitter persons for the place?"

And this telegram appeared in all the daily papers:—

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 3.—A petition signed by Judge Gilbert of the United States Court of Appeals, Judge Bellinger of the United States District Court, State judges here, and many leading lawyers, asking President McKinley not to appoint Judge McKenna to the supreme bench, was forwarded to Washington last night. After receiving the fact that only the ablest lawyers should be appointed to the supreme bench, and that common reputation is the best test of a lawyer's ability, the petition says:

"The Hon. Joseph McKenna's common reputation among his legal brethren or among his judicial brethren has not accorded him high place, but, on the contrary, though many who have esteemed him have refrained until now from an expression of opinion, the consensus of opinion has been and is that he is not either by natural gifts, acquired learning, or decision of character, qualified for any judicial place of importance, much less for the highest place in the land.

"His life record as a barrister, politician, judge and attorney general is accessible, and should speak of itself; but believing the estimate of him by members of his profession to be the test, and believing that we of that profession owe it to ourselves and our country to no longer keep silence, and acting without malice, personal feeling, or preference for any particular individual, we earnestly protest against the appointment or confirmation of the Hon. Joseph McKenna as justice of the supreme court of the United States."

And this also:—
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—Considerable opposition has developed here among the attorneys and judges of the state to the elevation of Attorney General McKenna to the bench of the supreme court of the United States. It has been said openly that if Judge Ross is not in sympathy with the movement to defeat McKenna he is fully apprised of the measures being taken to prevent his confirmation.

It seems that it is regarded as a foregone conclusion that McKenna will be named for the Field vacancy, and that the efforts, therefore, of the lawyers opposed to the selection, should be made to prevent the confirmation in the senate. It is alleged that the protest will contain the signatures of some very prominent attorneys in San Francisco.

The Romanist Washington correspondent of the Boston Herald writes to that paper:—

"President McKinley may not make the nomination of Mr. McKenna for a week or ten days, until he has Mr. McKenna's successor named. The delay will not be due to the petitions from the Pacific coast protesting against Mr. McKenna's appointment, for the president will ignore them. President McKinley knows Mr. McKenna and his standing as a lawyer too well to be influenced by such a movement. Besides, he is his warm personal friend, and he will, if nec-

essary, make a personal matter of his confirmation in the senate. It is not believed, however, that this will be necessary, for no opposition is expected from the California senators, and without this there would be no special reason for such action by the president.

"The decision of Mr. McKenna against Sec. 22 of the tariff act, it is believed, is at the bottom of much of the opposition to him."

The same correspondent writes to the New York Herald under date Washington, Dec. 3:—

"Attorney General McKenna will not discuss the protest against his nomination as a justice of the supreme court, which has been made by the Pacific coast judges and lawyers. His friends declare, however, that American Protective Association influence is at the bottom of the protest, as well as jealousy on the part of some of the signers of the protest. They are confident he will be nominated and confirmed.

"Notwithstanding this confidence, there may be some delay about the confirmation, as such an extraordinary thing as a protest signed by United States judges and state judges will be given some consideration by the senate."

"I understand this is not the only protest that has been made. The A. P. A. has been very active in opposition, and protests direct from this order, as well as other protest, alleging professional unfitness for the place, are said to have been forwarded from various parts of the United States to Senator Hoar, chairman of the judiciary committee, who has not yet arrived in Washington."

Liberal Rome.

A correspondent to the Boston Citizen from Dallas, Tex., signing himself "Spectator" says:

I suppose that your readers have seen in the daily press dispatches saying that the Baptists in Texas were having trouble in their ranks, and that said trouble was caused by "the A. P. A. element." What I wish to say in regard to the statement is, that it is a lie made out of whole cloth. The dispatch was sent from Dallas by the Associated Press, whose correspondent (McNealus is his name) is a prize fighter promoter and a Roman Catholic. If there is anything the Baptists in Texas are united upon, that is, opposition to "the woman in purple and scarlet."

Owing to the yellow fever, the Baptists were compelled this year to postpone their general convention and change their meeting place. At the request of the Business Men's League of San Antonio, it was decided to hold the convention in that city. In their

invitation it was understood that free entertainment was to be given to the delegates. With that understanding the convention assembled at San Antonio November 5. Imagine the surprise of the convention when they were told that free entertainment could not be given. As San Antonio is a Roman Catholic city, need I tell why such action was taken by the Business Men's League? A very prominent delegate to the convention told me that prominent business men of San Antonio told him that the action was caused by the Roman Catholics of the town. Their action in refusing to entertain the convention caused an expense to the Baptist churches of San Antonio of not less than \$5,000, which was paid by some of the wealthy delegates to the convention. Now let some of our Protestants who apologize for Rome, plead that she is liberal, and that we treat her as "our dear Christian brother," tell us what they would think of a Protestant who would act with such treachery as have the Roman Catholics of San Antonio.

A Public Calamity.

The practice of reading daily newspapers in the public schools as a regular exercise was introduced in Kansas City some years ago, and the superintendent has reported that he finds the policy valuable, because "the pupils become well informed at an early age upon current topics; their vocabularies are greatly increased, and their ability to put their thoughts into words is perceptibly developed." In view of this, the Pittsburg Leader proposes that an effort be made to introduce the practice in the public schools of that city, and a Philadelphia daily favors it for the schools of this city.

A more effective method of corrupting the young in our public schools could not well be employed. That most of the daily papers of our large cities are promoters of vice and crime cannot be doubted by any thoughtful person who considers their character and the effect they must have upon the morals of the rising generation. While they present the current news on many secular topics, which is a service to the public, they are yet largely filled with accounts of the doings of the vile and the wicked of all classes and of all countries from day to day, carrying the moral sewerage of the world, reeking with rotteness and crime, wherever they go. To have the pupils in our public schools read these purveyors of filth as a daily exercise would be a debasing perversion and prostitution of our schools, which, instead of elevating and purifying the morals of the pupils, would corrupt their heart and poison their souls. All parents should

exclude such chroniclers of vice and crime from their homes and their children, and we know of some who are careful to do this. To have their minds and hearts polluted and poisoned by reading them in the public schools would be a public calamity.—Lutheran Observer.

A NOTED PATRIOT DEAD.

Dr. Benn P. Reynolds, of Chicago, an A. P. A., Mason and Orangeman.

Dr. Ben Phillips Reynolds, for many years one of the best known figures in British American circles in Chicago, died in the Presbyterian hospital a little before seven o'clock on Wednesday evening. He was seized with a severe attack of endocarditis in his office at 119 Madison street, about four weeks ago, and under the skillful treatment of Dr. R. A. Sempill, it seemed for a time that he would rally, but he suffered a relapse and slowly grew worse until about ten days prior to his death, when it was considered best to have him removed to the Presbyterian hospital. There in spite of the best attention, he continued to fail, and, finally, on Wednesday morning, lapsed into unconsciousness, from which he did not recover.

His eldest daughter, Miss Anna Blanche Reynolds, who, during his illness, had been almost continuously at his side, was with him to the end. The other members of the family, unaware of the close approach of death, had gone home for needed rest after days of patient watching in the hospital.

Dr. Benn Phillips Reynolds was born in South Wales on December 14, 1832, and was the oldest of six sons and two daughters. His father was David Reynolds, a prominent woolen manufacturer. The doctor's great grandfather, Colonel Reynolds, was killed with General Picton at the battle of Waterloo.

Dr. Reynolds was educated for the church at the Narberth Classical and Commercial Academy, Wales, graduating from the Brecon college, which is incorporated with the London university. He was also educated in medicine and surgery, as it was his intention to become a medical missionary. His views on doctrinal subjects undergoing a change, however, he abandoned theology for medicine, qualifying as a physician and surgeon, after taking courses in Bartholomew's hospital, London, the Eclectic Medical College of Pennsylvania, and the University of Pennsylvania.

On his arrival in this country, in 1861, Dr. Reynolds placed his services at the disposal of the North, and as a volunteer surgeon with the Army of the Potomac was a partici-

pator in some of the principal battles of the campaign. His brother, George Reynolds, who was hospital steward in the regular United States infantry, lost his life in a Southern prison after the battle of the Wilderness.

Dr. Reynolds came to Chicago in 1863, where he has since practiced his profession. He had a pleasant home at Lombard, Ill., named Narberth Castle, where he lived with his family for many years.

In 1879 Dr. Reynolds married Miss Blanche E. E. Baldwin, daughter of the late G. S. Baldwin, of Chicago, who with his four children—Anna Blanche, Lillian, Alice and Benn—survive the deceased.

The deceased, in his time, was a member of many secret and other societies, including the British American Association, Loyal Orange Institution, St. George's Benevolent Association, Citizen's Committee of One Hundred, Odd Fellows, Foresters, Masonic fraternity, and others too numerous to mention. He was a voluminous writer and had published many works on subjects pertaining to masonry, medicine, philosophy and science. He had also a strong poetic vein in his nature and was an accomplished and easy public speaker and lecturer.

With a magnificent physique and striking personality the doctor was one of the notable citizens of Chicago. Kindly and sympathetic in his ways, he was the benefactor of many a poor, struggling professional brother and fellow countryman in distress, and his genial presence will be sadly missed by hosts of friends in Chicago.

The funeral, which, according to the doctor's dying request, will be in charge of the St. Bernard Commandery, Knights Templar, will be held on Sunday, and the interment will be in family lot in Graceland. All societies with which the deceased was connected are invited to attend the funeral.—Western British American.

An Individual Opinion.

The Chieftain put the flag up straight over the McKinley Message, as if it was a patriotic document!

We reverse the flag! We are ashamed. We think McKinley one of the most contemptible men ever in the presidential chair, because a pious fraud—a Methodist, Masonic politician, two of the meanest combinations that ever disgrace humanity.

His slush on Cuba to make palatable to the Romano-Wall Street Anacanda the desertion of the patriots of Cuba is disgusting.

He is a clearly proven traitor to his party platform on the Cuban question.

He is a traitor to his country in the proposed theft of the people's

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MEXICO PORTUGAL
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IS IT NOT TIME FOR HIM TO AWAKE?

money and the violation of the constitution in taking up Gage's national bank system of national (?) currency.

We announced him to be a fraud before his election, but he is beating Cleveland worse than Cleveland beat his wife when he knocked her down stairs at Buzzard's Roost!

We need to rather admire Cleveland's besotted nullishness and utter sell out of party and country to Rome, Rum and Wall Street. It is true he is a professed Christian—a Presbyterian, greatly coddled by degenerate Princeton University—but he really did not care for appearances. McKinley is just a hypocrite, and will reach a deeper hell of the country's ruin, and liberty's, than Cleveland.—Pueblo Individual.

How Croker Got Rich.

The victory of Tammany in New York last week is everywhere recognized as a victory to Rome. Father O'Connor, who certainly knows whereof he speaks, thus writes in the Converted Catholic:

"For thirty years or more there has been an alliance between Tammany Hall and the Roman Catholic church in New York. Wm. M. Tweed, though not a Roman Catholic, shared his plunder with the church. John Kelly, the next 'boss' of Tammany, was married to a niece of the late Cardinal McCloskey, and was a devoted Romanist. His duty to the church was paramount, and though he did not enrich himself or his most immediate followers by public plunder as Tweed had done, he lent a willing ear to every scheme formulated by the ecclesiastics for the aggrandizement of the Roman machine. Kelly's successor, Richard Croker, had Protestant parents, but he married a Roman Catholic and was converted to Romanism. His career is well known. As 'boss' of Tammany Hall he has acquired great wealth, which he has spent lavishly hobnobbing with the sporting fraternity. As the 'boss' of Tammany Hall, he has been the friend of the church and the terror of great business corporations and business men. It has been alleged that Croker's wealth has been derived from men who are afraid of Tammany Hall."

WE DO NOT know how you can do more effective work against the insidious advance of Jesuitism into our affairs of state than by inducing your friends and acquaintances to read anti-Roman literature. And nothing is better adapted to the work than THE AMERICAN. Get it and Chiquity's great book "The Priest, the Woman and the Confessional" and send them to your friends. You get them both for \$2. We will send the book to one address and the paper to another if you wish it done that way. The two for \$2.