

THE COUNTRY IS ABLAZE

(Continued from Page 1) be the serpent's; will wholly swallow up America.

If some of the best commentators on the Thirteenth of Revelations are correct, and everything just now is falling into line in that direction, it does not take a very great prophet to draw conclusions as to about where we, as a nation, will toe up along the line of prophecy.

Revelations 13:11: "And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth, and he had two horns like a lamb."

"And he spoke as a dragon." To act in a spiritual sense, is to speak. Has not Cleveland's and McKinley's actions spoken to our American hearts like a dragon?

Revelations 13th, 1st: "And I stood upon the sand of the sea and saw a beast rise up out of the sea having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns and upon his heads the name of blasphemy."

The two-horned lamb-like beast, America, is falling into the clutches of the old venomous octopus. In this age of the world could this be expected? Is it possible? It sounds like a nightmare—a horrible dream.

Let our cry be to our God for union of strength and America for Americans, first, last and forever. Awake, oh, America, awake! for God's sake, for your children's sake, your wives' sake, for your country, for yourselves! Shake off the shackles of hell and stand firm for America.

JERRY MORGAN.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 2.—American Publishing Co.: Gentlemen—Enclosed please find \$1 to pay for The American for 1898. I have been trying to get some subscribers for your paper, but when it gets to paying a dollar for a patriotic paper, then they are as poor as a church mouse.

Friend Thompson, hold up the flag of truth. It will be victorious some day. According to the Scripture, always true, Rome will be down some day, but we will have to watch and pray and do our duty as American citizens.

I wish you God speed for the coming year, and hope that your paper will be spread and read all over the land. Respectfully, H. S.

LAUREL SPRINGS, N. J., Dec. 21.—Yours of December 1 to hand and I hasten to enclose the money for '98, I was not at home, or I would have written before.

I favor freedom of thought, speech and press; also a free non-sectarian public school. I am opposed to religious interference with our public schools, whether from Protestant or Catholic, hence I am not always in good favor with some short-sighted Protestants who think their Bible and religious exercises should be in the public schools.

The difference in my mind between Protestant and Catholic is not in the honesty of purpose of either so much as in the organization of their respective churches. The Protestant church is an ecclesiastical republic, in which the preachers are responsible to the members of their church and must, in a way, reflect the sentiments of their people.

Revelations 13:11: "And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; not out of the sea, or from among the people, as all other nations arose, but out of the earth, or wilderness, America grew, certainly like a lamb, compared to other powers on earth."

HITT, Ill., Jan. 3.—The American: I regret to have to say, discontinue The American. I am getting very old; eyesight failing and cannot do as I once did, and would like to continue to do, but I assure you my interest in the cause is not the least diminished.

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SWEET SPRINGS, Mo., Dec. 3.—Editor American: Your letter of the 1st at hand, and we will answer at once. Yes, we want to continue in the fight for our liberties, for our schools, against priestly influence in politics and for the restrictions of immigration.

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ATCHISON, Kans., Dec. 29.—Dear Thompson: The enclosed "renewals" are the best I could do with the limited time at my disposal, but I wish I could do a thousand times better. It is beyond my comprehension how the average citizen enjoying the advantages of our boasted Christian civilization and the chance for at least a "common school" education, can wait to have his duty pointed out to him; his attention called to the fact that his "renewal" was due; that you need it; that your hands must be upheld.

MIDDLE GROVE, Mo., Dec. 27.—Editor American: Enclosed find order for \$1, for which please renew my subscription. I don't know why everybody don't take that paper. I will still try to get people to take it. W. D. B.

HENRY, Ill., Dec. 27.—Enclosed find money for renewal of my subscription for 1898. I have read your paper for several years and think it all right. I only wish there were more such in the country. Yes, my colors are nailed to the masthead with the very best nails; nailed there so tight that no human power can get them down. I have enlisted for life and calculate to serve out my enlistment, and I wish every American in the United States would do the same.

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HOLDREGE, Neb., Jan. 2.—Dear Sir: I send you \$1 to pay my subscription for '98. The roads have been so bad, and I have not been to town since I got your notice, but I send it as soon as possible. I don't see how I could get along without the paper, for I like it. As I have said before, our government is run by Rum and Romanism and tolerated through ignorance.

ELLENBURG, Wash., Nov. 29.—Find enclosed \$1.50. I suppose my six months' subscription has about expired and I send you \$1 to renew it for another year. 25 cents for the book entitled "Stenographer," and 25 cents to pay you to send me 10 copies of The American containing the testimony of the girls who escaped from the House of the Good Shepherd. I have been fighting and exposing popery for twenty-five years. Now that I have help I will use it to the best advantage.

SKERRY, N. Y.—Dear Sir and "Friend": Enclosed I send you \$1.00 for The American. I can not do without your valuable paper. As soon as I read it I send it to a friend who places it in the Young Women's Reading room at Haverhill, Mass., so it goes on fulfilling its mission. The Catholics have a firm hold in these eastern states. Nearly every officer has the map of Ireland or France on his face and popery stamped on his brain.

HUNTINGTON, Ind., Dec. 26.—Your letter of December 1 is at hand. I am glad you are still fighting the "Red-Pins," as I call them. Yes, I want the paper for another year. Enclosed please find express money order for \$1. I shall try to get some of your books as soon as I get out of debt on my house. As ever for the right. J. H. D.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 22.—Enclosed find order for \$1.00, for which send The American to me in San Francisco, Cal. Yours received several days ago, but have not had time to get order. I admire your pluck in this work. You can consider me a life subscriber. I will send you a list of names and addresses of some friends here in a few days. I wish I were able to do more for you. Yours in F. P. O. A. K.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 23.—Gentlemen: I send you with this a renewal of my subscription for your paper. Here in Cleveland we are somewhat disappointed that you do not take up the cause of the American party, believing that the only way to obtain recognition of our principles is to create a balance of power equal to the other side. Trusting that you will keep on firing into the Roman camp, and with best wishes for your success, I remain, yours, G. H. L.

HOLDREGE, Neb., Dec. 6.—I enclose herein my dollar. Success to The American. Here is my hand and heart for the cause of true Americanism. Yes, my flag is still nailed to the mast of anti-Romanism. If you will send me a few extra copies this week I will try and get a few more dollars. Yours in F. P. P., J. A. A.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 25.—Find enclosed \$1 for my subscription. I never receive The American till Monday, but glad to get it then. I am with you on the Catholic prison. Do away with them or throw them open to the world. The Romans have a hospital here; so have we, the despised A. P. A.'s. Long may the American wave. I will do what I can to help you. Yours in F. L. T., E. B. H.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Editor American: Dear Sir—You ask if my flag is still nailed to the masthead of anti-Romanism. I will answer you by stating that I was threatened with annihilation by a Romanist for saying that monks were greasy, lazy vagabonds and should not be tolerated in this country. I had a very lively time, for there were several toe-kissers present at the time; I always manage to come out on top when I get in an argument with Papists. I have read a great many anti-Roman works, some of them first-class, so I am loaded at all times for a scrap with Rome.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—Gentlemen: Enclosed please find \$1.00 to pay for The American. I've been very anxious to send you new subscribers, but find all ready to read my paper, but not sufficiently interested to spend anything for it. My family would be sorry indeed to do without it. The cartoons please both old and young. God bless you and your efforts to enlighten our people. Wishing you a prosperous and Happy New Year, I remain, fraternalaly yours, MRS. H. C. S.

AURORA, Ill., Dec. 20.—On the within I trust that you will find the renewal card that you sent me, together with the price of one year's subscription for The American. I am very much pleased with The American and it columns of American brain food. I am so taken up with it that I wish it was a daily instead of a weekly. Then you bet you would have Rome howling. Rome is like a snake in the grass. We can see the head of the tent in Rome, but where is the tail? The body, I think, is in Washington, D. C., United States, White House. Yours truly, R. A. S.

EAST END, Tenn., Dec. 30.—Gentlemen: Please find \$1.00 enclosed for my paper for the ensuing year. Times have been very hard here the past season, but we hope they will be better. It looks that way. There is no lodge here. We are all Americans; no Catholics nearer than Chattanooga, but there are enough there. I have been trying to pick up a few subscribers,

but money is hard to get. Send regards to you, and hope Linton is our next president. F. R. T.

HARTLEY, Ia., Jan. 4.—Dear Editor: My flag is still nailed to the masthead of anti-Romanism, and it will stay there as long as I live, but I am sorry to say that I have not got the dollar, and don't know where to get one. Therefore I must ask you to take my name off your subscription list. Yours in F. P. P., D. M.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Gentlemen: I am glad to be able to renew my subscription once more, for I take great pleasure in reading every paper from beginning to end, except the story ("The Wandering Jew"). I do not have time to read that, but would like to. I have lived among the heathen Catholics about all my life, so, of course, I know them pretty well. Hoping you will keep up the good fight, I remain, as ever, Yours respectfully, J. C. B.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 29.—Gentlemen: Please find enclosed \$1.00 to renew my subscription for another year. I could not get along without it. Last year I paid for three, and if they have read it carefully I know they will renew, because they are all better able than I am and if they have not read it carefully I do not want to waste good money on them. Your paper and the Citizen is about all I read because they give me the news I want to know. I remain, your truly, C. F. M.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Dec. 26.—Dear Sir: Please find enclosed \$1.00 to renew my subscription for another year. I could not get along without it. I wish I were able to send you more subscribers. The A. P. A. is the best movement that has been organized in the United States. We wish it much success and that it may go on to victory and elect Hon. W. S. Linton for President in 1900. Yours in the fight against Rome, I. P.

SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 30.—Gentlemen: I am rather late in sending my money. But it is never too late to do a good deed, so I will send it even at this late date. Enclosed you will find money order for \$1 to renew my subscription for 1898. I heartily approve of the way in which you are showing the rottenness of the Catholic Church. Respectfully, E. A. G.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 27.—Dear Sir: Do not stop my paper. I will send you the money in about ten days. I am trying to get two subscribers for The American. Your paper is all right—doing good work. I hope you will come out all right. Yours respectfully, B. L. N.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Gentlemen: Please find enclosed \$1 for one year's subscription, and please keep up the fight against our common enemy, who is always ready to down us at any time and place and in every position in life. Yours truly, G. W. F.

HUNTINGTON, Ore., Dec. 28.—Dear Sirs and Friends: Please excuse delay. I attempted up to the last minute to get some subscribers and only succeeded in getting one other. Extra copy of December 3d; total, \$2.95. A friend, for all time to come against Rome. D. L.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 30.—Gentlemen: Please find enclosed \$1.00 to renew my subscription to The American for 1898. Address same as for the past four years. Wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year, I remain, as ever, a friend to your excellent paper. J. C. M.

ELKHART, Ind., Dec. 29.—Dear Editor American: I heartily concur in all the sentiments contained in your letter and then published in your valuable paper. I wish I could send more than \$1, but cannot, so must content myself with that. Yours fraternally, S. W. H.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 27.—Gentlemen: Please send The American to this address until I notify you differently. I like your paper very much, and admire your true Americanism. Wish you success in your noble work for the coming New Year. MRS. M. F.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 28.—Gentlemen: Please find enclosed \$2.00—one from myself and one from F. L. at Humphrey, Platte County, Neb., for The American for the year 1898. Very respectfully your, H. T. S.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Enclosed please find \$3.00 for three subscriptions to January 1, 1899. Yours in F. P. P., F. F.

Who Would be Permitted to Trade. "And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hands, or in their foreheads. And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name."—Rev. 13:16-17.

I quote this prophetic description because it describes what popery has been and is today, even in the United States. Rome is fulfilling this prophecy to the extent of her power and influence. Her greedy, iron grasp fastens upon every place of honor, power and profit. To some degree, it is already true, that no man is permitted to buy or sell save he who has the "mark of the beast," either by profession, silence or refusal to support any measure opposed to the interests or wishes of Rome. A nod from the pope or his prelate agents, shuts or opens the mouths of Protestants, gags the press; even the Protestant pulpit is largely reticent and the merchant stands aloof from any institution opposed to the tyrannical domination of Rome, fearing a boycott. And so, through the rank and file of office-seekers, from the president downward. And when the nun goes the rounds on her begging trip, she gets the cash or whatever she asks through the fear of a boycott. So, in every conceivable way, Rome is grasping for money and

power. Rome already has the nation by the throat, and what will it be when she gets full control of the government and can condemn "heretics" and turn them over to the secular court. The secular power will then be papal. Even now some A. P. A.'s show the white feather. Rome is not afraid to put forth her idolatrous, blasphemous claims, send Protestants to perdition and pronounce our free schools sinks of hell. Americans, lovers of truth and liberty, come to the front and show your hand. Don't hide behind anything. Christianity is stronger than popery if put in the open field. Practice your principles—free discussion. Let your light shine. Rome cannot stand the light. Much of her power is in the ignorance of the people. When the people know as much about religion and human rights as popes and princes, their supremacy and tyranny are at an end. All hands to the front. Popery is in its dotage and cannot hold out much longer against Christianity and modern light. CALVIN.

Too Many Fenians Get Jobs.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—A good deal of resentment has been created in official circles here by the action of the United States government in appointing Patrick Egan as official delegate to investigate certain instances of alleged evasions of the Chinese exclusion law. The nomination is regarded here as distinctly unfriendly toward Great Britain, as it is felt that the United States government might look elsewhere than in the ranks of Irish refugees and of avowed antagonists to England, for men to be intrusted with delicate missions affecting the Canadian border line. The English government in this connection notes that the United States seems to make a point of choosing precisely Irish-Amer-

icans professing Fenianism for missions of this character. Messrs. O'Brien, McGlogan, DeBarry, etc., having been charged in the past with the administration of the alien contract labor laws at Buffalo, Detroit and Windsor.

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