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A. P. A. IN MASSACHUSETTS

Not long since the JOURNAL pointed out that the A. P. A., as a rule, when it took a hand in politics lacked itself on to the stronger political party in the locality. Thus in some sections the democrats became the support of the A. P. A. because they are the dominant element; in others, the republicans have the aid of the A. P. A. for the same reason. When election is over the A. P. A. loudly proclaims that it has won a great victory, whereas the victorious party would have come off ahead without the bigots.

Occasionally it happens that a political party will be bulldozed into allowing the A. P. A. to dictate nominations, or will be foolish enough to make overtures for its support. The party that is so foolish sooner or later is wrecked on this issue.

Such was the result in Massachusetts last week. In a number of towns the A. P. A. captured the republican primaries and conventions and dictated nominations. The democrats stood their ground and openly denounced the secret society bigots. What was the result? In nine out of every ten cities where such condition existed, the democrats were successful, carrying towns that had never elected any but republican officials. Especially was this seen in Springfield where the democrats carried everything.

This is as it should be. Catholics should vote their party ticket except where they feel that it is the ticket of bigotry, of race prejudice, of un-Americanism, of downright infidelity. Then they should vote the ticket of the party that is opposed to such lines of conduct. If they are satisfied that one party is as tinged with bigotry as the other, then they should vote black. There are scores of non-Catholics who will join hands with the Catholics to crush out such an organization as the A. P. A. It is to be hoped that the decisive defeats in Massachusetts are the forerunner of the dissolution of the order.

JUDICIAL OUTRAGES.

It would appear that the New York City magistrates who succeeded the old police justices, have a good deal of law to learn. Last week a young girl named Lizzie Schaner was arrested by a policeman while speaking with a man on the street. It was stated by the girl that she had lost her way and was inquiring which street to take to reach her destination when she was arrested. The girl's evidence was corroborated by reliable testimony, but still Magistrate Mott sent her to Blackwell's Island for five days. Justice Andrews of the Supreme Court promptly discharged her Monday on habeas corpus proceedings, remarking that the arrest and conviction was an outrage, as it certainly was.

Last Saturday the New York City magistrates raised a certain place. On Magistrate Simms' bench sat a woman who

ordered held for trial. A reputable lawyer, who was in the court room, presented the best of evidence that these two girls were at the place on business. One had gone there with a message from the dressmaker by whom she was employed, and had not been in the place fifteen minutes when arrested. The other was a milliner who had been sent to alter the trimming on a hat. At first the magistrate refused to change his disposition of the cases, but the vigorous talk of the lawyer caused him to release the first mentioned girl, but no pleading could cause him to release the second. She was led off to the Tombs in a fainting condition.

These are judicial outrages and the magistrates should be impeached and removed from office. That is the only way the public can be avenged for such outrageous exhibitions of judicial incompetency. It is an old saying that the cleverest criminal lawyers often make the worst judges.

SOUND LAW.

A one-legged man was walking on Third Avenue in New York a few months ago on crutches. He stumbled in passing a man hole on the Third Avenue railway, and was severely injured. He sued for \$2,500 damages. The railway company set up in defense that they could not be compelled to pay damages for an injury to a man on crutches. He had no business to be abroad. The jury awarded damages. The company appealed, but the Court of Appeals has sustained the judgment. That is good law.

The citizens of Monroe County would be greatly pleased if Governor Morton should see his way clear to appoint William A. Sutcliff to the Court of Appeals judgeship. Monroe County is entitled to the place, too. Rochester has not been represented in the Court of Appeals since Judge Danforth retired. Buffalo now has one of the judges—Haigh, and surely Syracuse or Watertown is not entitled to more than one judge each.

The "Standard" and "Catholic Times" of Philadelphia, have consolidated under the name of the "Catholic Standard and Times." The proprietors of the new paper make the extraordinary announcement in Catholic newspaperdom that the new paper is backed by ample capital. If that be the case, the high character of the paper will make it a success. The JOURNAL wishes it Godspeed.

The resolution to impeach Ambassador Bayard is beneath the dignity of Congress. Mr. Bayard may have been indiscreet, but the United States, the vaunted home of free speech, should not presume to muzzle its diplomats as do European powers.

The republican national convention of 1896 will be held in St. Louis, the first time the party ever met in national convention in that city. Out of the national conventions held by the republicans since 1856 Chicago has had five, Philadelphia has had two, Baltimore one and Minneapolis one.

If Speaker Reed should be elected president, he would be the second speaker to become Chief executive. President James K. Polk was a member of Congress from 1835 to 1839, and during the last four years he was speaker of the House of Representatives.

The "blower girl" has invaded Arizona, and the town council of Williams has passed an ordinance forbidding women in these habiliments from appearing on the streets. We do not question the council's sense of propriety, but think it has exceeded its prerogatives.

A western contemporary is decidedly premature in predicting that the next Cardinal's hat to come to America will go west.

Cardinal Gibbons celebrated high Mass last Sunday in St. Francis Xavier's church, New York, which is in charge of the Society of Jesus. Afterward he was the guest of Archbishop Corrigan.

The Masons of the city paid great tribute to their grand master this week. He is the head of the Masonic religion, for Masonry is a sort of religion, the only religion that many of its members know of.

The Union and Confederate veterans in New York are going to parade together in New York on Independence day. That is the proper spirit. The war was ended over a quarter of a century ago, and we should all be brothers now.

It is with regret that we say that so far Recorder John W. Goff, of New York, has shown that he is not possessed of the requisite judicial temperament to preside over the most noted criminal court in the United States, if not in the world.

A Miss Lee, of Boston, has gone to Florida to escape the rigors of a northern winter. Her arrival has cast a frigid air over the Ponce de Leon.

The A. P. A. candidate for Mayor of Boston was snowed under Tuesday. Two years ago Curtis was elected by 2,500 plurality. On Tuesday Josiah Quincy defeated him by nearly 5,000. Comment is unnecessary.

Let the school collection be a generous one to-morrow. We cannot give to a better cause, and in after years our children will bless us for providing them with a Catholic (Christian) education.

Lord Donraven is coming over to America to try and prove his charges of fraud in the Defender-Valkyrie race. Who was it said he had Don-raven?

The appointment of Rev. Father O'Connell, of Boston, as rector of the American college in Rome, is eminently satisfactory to Archbishops Corrigan and Williams.

Are you in a proper spirit to celebrate the feast of Christmas with "good will to all men?"

The JOURNAL needs no gratuitous advice by way of Colorado. It knows its facts and has never received ecclesiastical censure.

The "Vaticani" of Albany, has entered upon its second year. Congratulations!

A fitting place for the National Democratic Convention of 1896 is in New York city.

New Publications.

An Hour with a Sincere Protestant" by Rev. J. P. M. S. paper, 41 pages, 15 cents retail, published by the Christian Press Association Publishing Company, 61 West 15th Street, New York. A little pamphlet that is invaluable for placing in the hands of fair-minded non-Catholics who have a desire to know the Truth.

"Baby's Letter from Santa Claus," is the name of a new song just issued, the words and music by the well-known composer, W. L. Needham. We must say that the words and music are very pretty, and the song will, no doubt, reach a large sale. In order to introduce this song the publishers will send a copy, postpaid, for eleven two cent stamps. Address orders to J. O. Greene & Co., 19 Arcade, Cincinnati, O.

Two very important facts in connection with the new era of magazines are illustrated in the December Occasional. Its fiction is by Stevenson, the last story written before his death, "Quids," Sarah Grand, Zangwill, and the beginning of James Lane Allen's new Kentucky realistic story, "Butterflies." Probably no stronger array of fiction has ever been presented in any magazine—money could not buy better. Nor has any magazine ever had a larger number of really distinguished artists engaged upon the illustration of a single number.

THE GOSPELS.

GOSPEL, St. John I, 19-28.—At that time: "The Jews sent from Jerusalem priests and Levites to John, to ask him: Who art thou? And he confessed, and did not deny; and he confessed: I am not the Christ. And they asked him: What then? Art thou Elias? And he said: I am not. Art thou the prophet? And he answered: No. They said therefore unto him: Who art thou, that we may give an answer to them that sent us? What sayest thou of thyself? He said: I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness: Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Isaiah. And they that were sent were of the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said to him: Why then dost thou baptize, if thou be not Christ, nor Elias, nor the prophet? John answered them, saying: I baptize with water, but there standeth One in the midst of you Whom you know not. The same is He that shall come after me. Who is preferred before me: the latchet of Whose shoe I am not worthy to loose. These things were done in Bethania beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing."

What are we to learn from this Gospel? We should learn to practice humility as St. John did, by confessing sincerely our nothingness, by not sounding our own praises even when there may be occasion to do so without danger of ostentation, and by suffering with patience injurious words even when performing faithfully our duties.

Weekly Church Calendar.

Sunday 15.—Third Sunday in Advent. Epistle Phil. iv. 4-7. Gospel John I, 19-28. Monday 16.—St. Basil, Bishop, and Martyr. Tuesday 17.—Feast. Wednesday 18.—Expectation of the B. V. M. Ember Day. Fast. Thursday 19.—Feast. Friday 20.—Ember Day. Fast. Saturday 21.—St. Thomas, Apostle. Ember day. Fast.

Christmas Umbrellas.

If you haven't seen you certainly must have heard about the fine Holiday Umbrellas we are displaying. A fine silk cover, sterling trimmed handle, steel rod, tight rolling, for \$1.47, actually worth \$2.00. Leather case, with cover, for \$1.95, actually worth \$2.50. Do not buy a holiday gift until you have examined our line of Umbrellas. Meng & Shafer, Leading Fur Manufacturers.

Likly's Umbrellas for Gifts.

The best \$1.50 umbrella; the best \$2 umbrella; the best \$3.50 umbrella; the best \$5 umbrella; the best \$6 umbrella. All guaranteed. Exclusive novelties in handles. Likly's, 96 State Street.

Ladies' 93 Shoes \$1.95.

We warrant these shoes; they are the present styles and a great bargain. J. W. Maser, 196 East Main St.

You Can't Waste a Dollar.

on Likly's dollar table. Nothing on it but what is good.

You Went to Likly's Last Year.

Perhaps, for Christmas presents. It paid you. It will pay you better this year. Don't miss the dollar table.

The Best Thing About Likly's.

Is that anybody can spend from \$50 to \$500 to advantage there.

Fur for Christmas Presents.

Fur boas in Thibet, Sable, Mink, or those new striking effects with tails, with a muff to match, would delight the heart of any woman. For the children we have fur sets from \$1.00 up.

Call and examine our line and get our prices. Meng & Shafer, Leading Fur Manufacturers.

Furniture Movers.

Furniture moved, packed and stored by Sam Gottry & Co. Orders taken at Erie Office, 12 Exchange Street, or house, 8 Thompson Street. Telephone 1058 or 643.

While Thinking.

About where you will buy your coal, don't forget Louis Edelman, who deals in the best brands of Pittston and Scranton, soft and smithing coal, 40 North Avenue and railroad.

\$1.50 and \$2.00 Shoes, 750 and 900.

Good solid, serviceable, genuine calfskin shoes, warranted in every particular, as good as you have ever bought for twice the money. Come and see the busiest shoe store in Rochester. J. W. Maser, No. 196 East Main Street.

You Must See Likly's \$5 Umbrella.

If you intend to give anybody a fine umbrella for Christmas.

Sibley, Lindsay & Curr.

Ready to Serve You.

753 employees stand ready to serve you to the best of their ability. 15 wagons are in readiness to convey your purchases from store to home, and later 5 more teams will be added to the delivery service, making a total of 20.

Thousands have been looking through the store the last few days, making notes here and there. You know Sibley, Lindsay & Curr almost as well as we do. Where the purchases are to be made is a settled question.

Women's Handkerchiefs.

Handkerchief Counters are thoroughly in Christmas trim—that you can see at a glance.

Hemstitched, hand embroidered initial handkerchiefs, 5c.

Swiss embroidered handkerchiefs, elaborate designs, 19c.

Fine, hemstitched, initial handkerchiefs, 19c.

All linen; hemstitched handkerchiefs, three widths of hem, \$1.25 a dozen.

Very fine, German linen, hand embroidered handkerchiefs, from 50c to \$3 each.

Doll Houses.

They are as complete in every detail as though built after architect's drawings and specifications. 24 stories high, porch across front, bow window, rooms all partitioned off. One of these houses is illuminated by electricity, at the Doll Counters.

Picture Department.

The picture you leave this week to have framed will be ready for Christmas without fail. A large line of mouldings to pick from.

It wouldn't be fair to judge these small water colors, framed in narrow gilt mats, by the prices—\$1.35 and \$2.

Polished oak, easels, with adjustable rest, from 50c to \$3.50.

White enameled easels, with adjustable rest from 75c to \$2.50.

Watches.

A watch is not a gift beyond the purse of limited resources, with such a place as our silver ware counters at which to get it.

No room for questioning either works or cases, both are guaranteed and you have some knowledge of the merits of Elgin and Waltham movements yourself.

Women's solid gold open face chatelaine watches from \$14 up.

Women's solid gold hunting case watches, heavy weight, 6 and 8 size, from \$19.50 up.

Women's hunting case watches, heavy weight, inlaid with diamonds, sizes 6 and 8, from \$25 up.

Men's solid gold open face and hunting case watches, sizes 16 and 18, from \$40 up.

Women's and men's 14k and 18k gold filled cases, warranted for twenty years, handsomely engraved patterns, best movements, from \$13.75 to \$17.

Cheaper gold filled cases, gold inlaid, Elgin or Waltham movements, \$10.50 to \$13.50.

Women's solid silver cases, with Swiss movement, from \$2.88 to \$5.

All-steel chatelaine watch, including case, for \$4.75.

Men's and boys' solid silver watches from \$4.38 up.

Men's and boys' solid nickel watches from \$1.75 up.

Women's Gowns.

The warming comfort of these outing flannel gowns can hardly be appreciated by one who has not tried them.

Outing flannel gowns, mother Hubbard style, made with tucked yoke and having fancy stitching around collar and cuffs, 98c.

Outing flannel gown, with sack front and yoke back, sailor collar with ruffle, ruffle on sleeves, full length and good width, \$1.25.

Outing flannel gowns, Empire styles, having rounded yoke, trimmed with insertion and embroidery, for \$2.25.

Muslin Underwear Dept. 2nd Floor.

Traveling Bags.

Everyone one of these fine bags labeled Christmas. What would make a better present?

Straight grain leather club bags, olive color. 12 inch at \$3.25, to 13 inch at \$5.

Real alligator club bags, leather lined and brass trimmed, 14 inch at \$3.75, to 18 inch at \$5.25.

Straight grain leather Boston club bags, olive color, leather covered frame, and leather inlaid, leather lined and nickel trimmed, 14 inch at \$5, to 18 inch at \$7.

Real alligator cabin bags and Boston club bags, leather lined and brass trimmed, 14 inch at \$8 to 18 inch at \$10.

Straight grained leather club bags, with double handles, 12 inch at \$3.50, to 18 inch at \$5.

A serviceable, well finished 22 inch leather dress suit case for \$3.95. Better ones up to \$11.50.

Plaid Dress Goods.

The dress goods man isn't a Scotchman, but his selection of plaids would do credit to one.

More Plaid Dress Goods to take your pick from, on these Counters, he says, than in all the rest of Rochester put together.

And the plaids are what people want.

Prices run by easy skips from 10c to \$1.25.

They are 10c, 25c, 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.25.

Something for Baby.

What shall we give baby—the dear little, dimpled darling who has ne'er seen Christmas yet?

Well, now, that isn't very hard to decide up here on the Second Floor where sensible presents for baby are kept. These are some of them that you'll find at the Infant's Department.

Silk cape.

Silk and wool booties.

Crocheted sacques.

Flannel sacques.

Cashmere embroidered sacques.

Flannel embroidered sacques.

Hand-made hood shawls.

Slips.

Long cambric skirts.

Long flannel skirts.

Barrow coats.

Long cloaks.

And any number of other things.

Boys' Books.

Boys are our particular friends. We have looked well to their interests in the Book Store.

We are going to be able to do better by them than we have expected. The other day the chance came along to buy, very cheap, a number of the Henty books—ten titles.

With Clive in India.

In Freedom's Cause.

The Lion of St. Mark.

By Pike and Dyke.

Under Drake's Flag.

By England's Aid.

With Lee in Virginia.

One of the 28th.

In the Reign of Terror.

With Wolfe in Canada.

These are published by the

Scribners at \$1, and the Scribners

don't know how to make a poor

book. We are going to sell these

at 29c.

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