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Defended.

Cardinal Gibbons has given a quietus to the bigots who have complained that a Catholic President could not enforce the laws of the Republic and be loyal to his church, meaning thereby to have it inferred that he would deny his country and obey the orders of the Pope.

Quoting from Leo XIII as to distinction between ecclesiastical and civil powers "Neither obeys the other within the limits to which each is restricted by its Constitution" the Cardinal goes on to point out that the Church does not nominate Presidents, nor governors nor mayors she takes no part in National nor State conventions, nor city primaries nor town meetings. Nor does the government in the real Republic with which we are blessed in America nominate Bishops, decide the limits of dioceses, appear at Plenary or Provincial councils or diocesan synods.

The Cardinal quotes the Jesuit Tarquini as holding that "Civil society, even though every member of it is a Catholic, is not subject to the Church, but plainly independent in temporal things which regard its temporal end" But, asks some objector, Supposing the Pope were to issue commands in purely civil matters? Answers Cardinal Gibbons, without the least hesitation "Were he to do so he would stand self condemned, a transgressor of the law he himself promulgates. He would be offending not only against civil society, but against God, and violating an authority as truly from God as his own."

But supposing we were to have another Civil War, that the President of the United States were a Catholic, and that the Pope took the part of the seceding States? Cardinal Gibbons lays this spectre, which has really been raised, in this candid fashion: "A Catholic President would treat the recognition with respectful silence, and continue to prosecute the war to the best of his ability. If he acted otherwise, he would be a traitor to his conscience and his God, to his country, and to the Constitution which he had sworn to uphold." And the Cardinal quotes first the Jesuit Bellarmine: "As it is lawful to resist the Pope if he assaulted a man's person, so it is lawful to resist him if he assaulted souls or troubled the State;" and further, one of his comparatively recent predecessors, Archbishop Kenrick, sixth in the line of Mr. Conner's blooded chickens Baltimore, who says of the Pope's that it grew in the fuzzy brain power that it "was given for some London penny-a-liner edification, not for destruction; if he uses it for love of domination (quod absit) scarcely will he meet with obedient populations."

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with impunity because during the last few weeks we have noticed some pretty bad pictures on the South avenue billboards. These pictures are not needed and should not be permitted to insult decent-minded citizens and innocent children. It is up to the city authorities to get busy again.

Education.

A great sight will be witnessed next July when the American Catholic Educational association will meet in Boston.

Upwards of 2,000 delegates, representing practically all the Catholic colleges, seminaries and other educational institutions of the country are expected to attend this convention.

Arrangements are in the hands of a committee headed by Vice-General Joseph G. Anderson, now in charge of the diocesan affairs during the absence of Archbishop O'Connell. The archbishop is expected to preside at the business meetings of the convention which will be held in the halls of Boston College, while the clubhouse of the Catholic Union of Boston will be made the center of the social gatherings.

A great public meeting will probably be held in Symphony Hall.

We Win Again.

Some time ago the Boston "American" had a contest on Lincoln, essays open to all pupils of public, parochial and Sunday schools. Two hundred of these essays were deemed worthy of prizes by the judges who were Secretary of State Olin, Rev. Edward E. Horton, (Protestant) and John F. Casey, headmaster of the English high school.

In the result the Catholic schools made a remarkable showing, according to the Boston "Republic."

Dr. Ehot, of Harvard, must have forgotten the descent of our Presidents when he opposed the intermarriage of different nationalities. Grover Cleveland, William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt all who owned up to a large share of Irish blood and we must not take it for granted that they did this to catch votes.

Edward Payson Weston is another living example of the accuracy of Dr. Osler's famous theory.

Rev. Robert Burdette, formerly a newspaper humorist, in speaking of St. Paul and his missionary helpers said:

Of commentaries, revisions and re-revisions, self-pronouncing combinations in red-letters, editions with marginal index, limp backs and flap edges, they knew nothing. The Epistles hadn't got started yet. In fact, these expatriated disciples were themselves just beginning to collaborate in the writing of the book we are now studying. That isn't a bad way to "missionary" at home or abroad.

This "hot one" was handed recently to the Buffalo "Courier" a man's person, so it is lawful to resist him if he assaulted souls or troubled the State;" and further, one of his comparatively recent predecessors, Archbishop Kenrick, sixth in the line of Mr. Conner's blooded chickens Baltimore, who says of the Pope's that it grew in the fuzzy brain power that it "was given for some London penny-a-liner edification, not for destruction; if he uses it for love of domination (quod absit) scarcely will he meet with obedient populations."

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The Sister Superior of St. Joseph's Hospital, Louisville, scorned the idea of accepting the proceeds of the proposed prize-fight between Marvin Hart and Mike Sehreck, which was scheduled to take place in that City last month.

VICTIMS OF PLASTIC SURGERY.

Suffer Annoyance, Pain and Great Expense Seeking Beauty.

The experience of the woman who came out of the West to have her wrinkles smoothed out by a New York beautician, and sought redress in the courts, has been a failure to date. The beautician has hundreds of other victims in every State of the Union.

To the one who has the courage to resist and demand a remedy for her wrinkles, the beautician has a ready-made reply: "It is not my fault, it is the fault of the great aging factor, who offers to beautify them."

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ANIMALS SELF PROTECTION

Practice Various Methods of Deceit From Lack of Courage.

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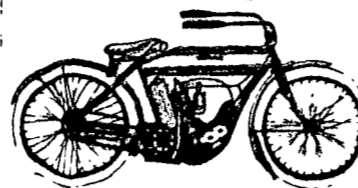
Punishing Crime in China.

In China the entire family is held responsible for the acts of any of its members and for certain offenses such as an attempt on the life of the emperor, all are executed, even to the babe in arms. The person or persons of the village elected by universal suffrage is responsible for the conduct of the families of his domain. The subprefect, governor and viceroys are all responsible in different degrees. An infraction and a minute are laid at the door of the governor or the viceroys, who are father and mother to the people. About thirty years ago a mandarin was murdered by soldiers. As a result thirty-three functionaries, prefect, subprefects and superintendents were declared responsible and beheaded and the governor and treasurer of the province were exiled.

Sedan Chairs Still Used.

The good old sedan chair is still in use in certain corners of the world. It is about the same kind of furniture that royalty used in Queen Elizabeth's days. Recently, during the Passion week King Alfonso, of Spain, was carried around in a sedan chair just as the fine ladies were when all the world saw high society at Tunbridge Wells and Bath.

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