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"To the law and to the testimony; if they speak not according to this word it is because there is no light in them."—Isaiah 8:20

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What Would Happen If Catholics Should Come Into Power?

What happens to the freedom of the public schools in an American community where the Roman Catholic Church has power to impose its educational standards? One answer to that question is available in Dixon, New Mexico. According to a statement of the Free Schools Committee, whose address is Box 45 in that little town, it has so far been impossible for the citizens of Dixon to maintain a public school, in spite of extraordinary efforts to that end.

A few years ago the public schools were abandoned and their equipment and pupils moved into Catholic buildings on Catholic property. "An expensive W. P. A.-built structure with over \$2,000 worth of oak

flooring stands today without roofing, its doors ripped off, windows broken out, the fine hardwood floor buckling from moisture — the result of neglect and vandalism."

Five nuns and five lay teachers are teaching the children of the community. In this county the church benefits to the tune of \$65,000 a year paid to nuns in salaries from public funds. The committee says that 122 nuns are on the public school payroll in the state and that the church gets over \$250,000 a year in revenue from this source.

Dissatisfied with the quality of teaching given by the nuns, the people of Dixon have recently raised money to build a five-room public school. When this school was ready for use in

the fall of 1947, they were informed that the principal of the school would be a nun and that some of the teachers would be nuns. They protested without avail. The county school board refused to hear their complaints. The state board of education was waited on by fifty citizens from the town. It heard only one, and denied witnesses a chance to testify. Four Dixon taxpayers have filed suit in the district court. Persons who desire to help free the schools of Dixon from clerical domination can reach the committee at the above address.

Unionism Affects Texas College And Baptist Churches

The Jacksonville Daily Progress of Jacksonville, Texas, under date of May 14, announces union services for the Central Baptist Church in which the First Presbyterian, First Methodist, First Christian and First Baptist Church will participate.

Jacksonville, Texas, is the home of the Jacksonville College. Brother C. R. Meadows, pastor of the First Baptist Church of that city, is a former president of the college. The majority of the ministerial students at Jacksonville College unite with this church when they go to Jacksonville to school. The present president of the college, G. D. Keller, is a member of this First Baptist Church.

This links Jacksonville College to a lot of rotten unionism in a very serious way. It certainly doesn't help the college any as to its reputation on standing for the Word. Furthermore, it doesn't help the students any. In fact, unionism can help no one. Baptists, un-

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You Desire To Know More Of His Book, Then Say "I Should Like To Know"

NOTE—
This first question was answered in the April 17 issue of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER, a brother in Oklahoma desires further discussion of this subject; this we gladly grant.

we are commanded under law to give the tenth, is it obligatory on us to tithe now?

BOYS AND MISSIONS

A student in Yale College was an enthusiastic advocate of missions that the faculty expelled him! He was David Livingstone. He became a missionary to the Indians. His diary, published after his death, fell into the hands of an English boy who became a "pillar of fire." That was William Carey, who did the great missionary work in India of which the world has not yet seen the end.

Three students held "the hayrick prayer meeting" during their senior years in college. They declared, "We can do it if we will." The result was that William Judson went to Burma and translated the entire Bible into Burmese.

A country minister in Scotland prayed earnestly one day that someone would accept Christ during the service. Someone did — but it was only a boy; the boy was Robert Moffat, a pioneer missionary to South Africa. Once when he was home furlough a young student heard his lecture and vowed to go to Africa, too. The student was David Livingstone. Mackay and the story of David Livingstone and, inspired, went to Africa.

A humble Scotch preacher told the story of Jesus in the simplest fashion; a lad heard and determined to serve in a difficult place. On the way he knelt by a brook and prayed, "O God, I give myself to the mission work, if Thou wilt accept." That boy was (Continued on page four)

Art Thou Weary?

Art thou weary? art thou languid?
Art thou sore distressed?
"Come to me," saith One, "and coming,
Be at rest!"

Hath He marks to lead me to Him,
If He be my guide?
"In His feet and hands are wound-prints,
And His side!"

Is there diadem, as Monarch,
That His brow adorns?
"Yes, a crown, in very surety,
But of thorns!"
If I find Him, if I follow,
What His guerdon here?
"Many a sorrow, many a labor,
Many a tear."

If I still noid closely to Him,
What hath He at last?
"Sorrow vanquished, labor ended,
Jordan past!"

If I ask Him to receive me,
Will He say me nay?
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Mused Uncle Mose

Pahson don' b'lieve all de scuses he heahs, he dis lissen lak he do.

How New Testament Churches Should Be Organized To Be Scriptural As To Practice

This challenge is laid down. Search the New Testament through and through and if you can anywhere find a passage that authorizes us to tack on such accessories and "gadgets" as Baptists have tacked on to their churches, then I will surrender my present position. The question is not to be settled according to "what other churches have—or what they DO." The question should be settled on the basis of what the New Testament teaches. Other denominations justify the existence of such practices as infant baptism on the same ground that Baptists justify their auxiliaries and their ecclesiastical system.

Is the Lord desirous that we shall do things as He says?

Let us see:
The tabernacle of the Jews was a type of the temple, and the temple was a type of the church. Was the Lord careful about the tabernacle being built exactly according to His specifications? Read the following references: Exodus 25:40; 26:30; 27:8 and Heb. 8:5.

It is just as essential that we carry on a church according to

the "pattern shown us" in the New Testament, as it was that the Jews carry on the building of the tabernacle according to the "pattern shown" them. If we do this, we shall not have all sorts of things that are not warranted in the Bible.

How does the Lord regard the changing of His way?

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I OWE MY PASTOR

RESPECT. As an ambassador of God sent to teach me a better way of living than the selfish, sordid existence.

AFFECTION. That he may be strengthened by the knowledge that I am sympathetic with him.

TRUST. That he may be free to serve the church unhampered by criticism and fault-finding.

GENEROSITY. That, if his methods seem a little sensational to my conservative nature, I may not be narrow enough to insist that he shall change them, but instead rejoice in the thing that he is doing.

PERFECTION. Of kindly silence by refraining from repeating in his presence the slander of unkind gossip that would worry him.

TIME. To help him in his work when and where he needs me.

PRAYER. To pray for him each day, that God may bless him and make his service a blessing to us.

ENCOURAGEMENT. When vexation and annoyances make his work difficult or when he feels his work is not progressing.

APPRECIATION. A word of appreciation of his help to me.

CONSIDERATION. Not to interrupt or hinder his work with petty and unnecessary calls upon his time and sympathy.

ATTENTION. That he may not be annoyed and troubled by seeing from my careless, inactive actions that I am listless.—From the Divine Call To The Ministry.

The First Baptist Pulpit

"ROMAN CATHOLICISM REFUTED"

The newspaper of late have carried varied accounts pertaining to an organization called "Supreme Council Knights of Columbus" Religious Information Bureau, 442 Lindell Blvd., Saint Louis, Mo. These accounts were placed in the various tabloids by the above mentioned group.

I have before my desk an account which is taken from a Saint Louis, Mo., newspaper. It consists of ten paragraphs, the contents of which try to set forth a complete vindication of the

Catholic position. The heading of said article is "You Hear Strange Things About Catholics."

I am very staunch in my belief of religious liberty, equality among religious bodies in America. The term liberty and equality meaning of course the freedoms guaranteed everyone under our Constitution. Hence, the things which I determine to set forth in this treatise will be only from the standpoint of combatting Biblical error. This should not in any way infringe

upon anyone's right of a person to worship God according to the dictates of his heart.

First, the writer of this article states in paragraph two the following words:

"You hear it said that Catholics believe all non-Catholics are headed for hell, that they believe non-Catholic marriages are invalid."

I call your attention, beloved, to the words "you hear it said." In the Catholics' own Catholic—(Continued on page two)

No man is good who has come to the conclusion that he is good enough.

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CATHOLICISM

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Catechism which is written by Rev. Joseph I. Malloy, and entitled "A Catholicism for Inquirers," I have found the following statements acknowledged by their own writers. The Profession found in the Catechism is that which everyone must study before gaining admission into the Catholic church. In paragraph nine, the following words are found:

"Besides I accept, without hesitation, and profess all that has been handed down, defined and declared by the Sacred Canons and by general Councils, especially by the Sacred Council of Trent and by the Vatican General Council, and in a special manner concerning the primacy and infallibility of the Roman Pontiff. At the same time I condemn and reprove all that the Church has condemned and reproved. *This same Catholic Faith, outside of which nobody can be saved*, which I now freely profess and to which I truly adhere, the same I promise and swear to maintain and profess, with the help of God, entire, inviolate and with firm constancy until the last breath of life; and I shall strive, as far as possible, that this same faith shall be held, taught and publicly professed by all those who depend on me and by those of whom I have charge."

The book says they do believe non-Catholics are not saved, yet the newspaper clipping would try to have folk believe this is not true.

The Catechism book again states the following:

"How must Catholics be married? (a) They must be married in the presence of the pastor of the bride and two witnesses. (b) They must be in the state of grace. In other words if a Catholic marries another Catholic or one who is not a Catholic, the marriage must take place *in the presence of a priest and two witnesses, otherwise it is not valid*. A priest, other than the pastor, may perform the marriage only with his permission or the permission of the Bishop." (Chapter IV, Section 10, Question 151). Again in the same book, chapter IV, section 10, question 155:

"Are the marriages of Protestants valid in the eyes of the Catholic Church?"

Answer: "Marriages of baptized Protestants contracted in a legal manner before minister or magistrate are regarded as the valid Sacrament of matrimony by the Catholic Church and can be broken only by the death of one of the parties."

It is evident in the first quotation, that the Catholics must give the permission for a marriage between Catholics and non-Catholics, or be by the

JOIN THE SEARCH

*The fields are white with souls to save,
Come join the search with Christ today.
Help win the lost for which He died,
Do not give up, He's by your side.
You will not have to brave the storms,
Without the help from loving arms,
"For lo, I'm with you to the end";
Such words ne'er came from human pen.*

*Come join the search without delay,
"Redeem the time," don't turn away.
There is a job for everyone,
Your job is here, it must be done!
Unless you do it, no one will,
And many souls will go to Hell.
Take up your task, it's for the Lord,
And in the end, receive reward.*

— Ronald Robertson, Georgetown, Ky

priest. Anyone can clearly see the same thing in the second quotation. It states that if a Catholic and a non-Catholic desire to enter holy matrimony it first must be determined whether the non-Catholic is properly baptized, then the marriage would certainly be illegal. If words mean anything, then I have proven by their own statements that they do believe Catholic marriages are the only true ones. Further I have proven they do believe the Catholics are the only people who believe the right plan of salvation. Their own words betray them before open exposure. The third paragraph states the following:

"Some think Catholics believe the pope is God—that he can do no wrong—that they owe him civil allegiance and that he should have power (political) to rule America."

I will give some quotations from their own books written by James Cardinal Gibbons, entitled "The Faith of Our Fathers." The first edition of this book was written in 1876. I quote:

"The people of the United States profess to be a Christian nation. Do you also claim them? Most certainly; for even those American Christians who are unhappily severed from the Catholic Church are primarily indebted for their knowledge of the gospel to missionaries in communion with the Holy See, it follows that, from whatever part of Europe you are descended, whatever may be your particular creed, you are indebted to the Church of Rome for your knowledge of Christianity. Do not these facts demonstrate the Primacy of the Pope? The Apostles of Europe and of other countries received their authority from Rome. Is not the power that sent an ambassador greater than he who is sent?"

This is taken from pages 116, 117 of chapter X entitled "The Supremacy of the Popes." I for one protest any such supremacy of so-called popes. Peter never at any time tried to lord it over the folk with which he came in contact. . . . "And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood. And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen." Revelation 1: 5, 6. Individual believers in Jesus Christ make up the priests and kings. John says, "And hath made us a kingdom of priests to his God." There is no place in

God's Holy Word which states or infers that the Apostles were superior to any other believer, relative to having more power.

Dr. Albert Garner spoke with Biblical accuracy in his book, "The Devil's Masterpiece." The following are his statements:

"Peter made no reference to his supremacy in the selection of Matthias; on Pentecost; at the house of Cornelius; when called to account by the Jerusalem brethren; at the meeting in Jerusalem; when he met Paul; or when he wrote his Epistles. (Acts 1, 2, 10, 11, 15; Galatians 1, 2). One word from Peter and such an office would have been established. But the word is absent. "He was distinguished at times but never supreme." (Page 28).

Again from the same book:

"Never did Peter claim the title of Pope or head of the apostles. Neither did anyone use it with reference to him. He spoke of himself, I Peter 1:1, as 'an' apostle—not as 'the head' of the apostles. He never 'hid' his apostleship, but often referred to it; if he had a higher position why is it an 'enigma.' (Page 27). Paul did not think of Peter as anything but an apostle; never as a pope. (Page 31). Paul claimed to be equal with Peter in every way. The new Catholic translation is as follows: 'For I regard myself as nowise inferior to the great apostles' (II Cor. 11:5). Paul does not say 'chiefest apostle' as if there was a pope. He says, 'chiefest apostles.' Evidently he was referring to Peter, James and John, who seemed to be pillars—Gal. 2-9."

No the Bible is as silent as the tombs in regard to popes. The Roman Catholic priest is a misnomer as far as the Bible is concerned.

Again in the quotation from "Faith of Our Fathers" it is stated that Christianity had its origin in America through the efforts of Catholicism. If that be true I would like to ask one question. Has Catholicism brought us to the place of enlightenment culture, literary training, or has some other source been responsible for the power that we have along these lines? The foreign countries are considered the birthplace of Catholicism. It has unlimited power in many of those places. The conditions prevailing where Catholicism is supreme are appalling. They are backward in many ways. Some are unable to read and write. They are held in complete subservience. They are used to feed the coffers of the Catholic Church. The living conditions of all countries

where Catholicism is predominant are on the lowest scale. Poverty, heathenism, ecclesiastical hierarchy are terms which belong in a class to themselves. The Catholics avail themselves of these things.

Further, they tend to drive out any light which might come in among those nations. Missionaries are constantly telling of unheard of pressure-bearing in these foreign countries, when a Catholic attends a worship service of Protestants. They know quite well should it be revealed to the folk about their ungodly program they would lose people; also some of the shekels. Catholics operate by keeping a mantle of darkness over their victims.

This very bondage, which is thrown upon the necks of the people, comes from so-called popes, bishops and the Vatican. The Catholic people should rise up and usurp these fiends of religion.

Again it is a well known fact that wherever Catholicism reigns, there is very little freedom for anyone, regardless of religion.

Let us proceed on to the fourth paragraph of our account. Again I will give the complete quotation:

"It is said that Catholics want religious freedom only for themselves—that they oppose public schools and separation of church and state as evils which should be destroyed."

In New Mexico recently a leading clergyman investigated the conditions that were prevailing in the public school system. He gave his report later, in which he stated there were twenty-one open and flagrant violations against the Constitution of the United States. These, of course, being committed by the Catholics. They make inroads into the public schools, wedging in their nuns as teachers. Once they have become a parasite upon the taxpayers money, they in turn become treacherous. Instead of carrying on the secular studies as is commanded by the schools they seek to open the immature minds of the small children and pour in their poison. They inculcate the victims with Romish doctrine daily as they come to school. The scheme used by the traitors of true Christianity is as follows: By having the mass or prayer session at the opening exercises. If they happen to have a complaint from Protestants, they are quick to tell them this is a part of the regular curricular, should a child fail to attend he would fail in his studies. I, personally, charge the Roman Catholic machine of open violation, both against the freedom of state and the freedom of religion. The activities of such a group should be investigated by the Committee on Un-American Activities.

It is not hard to see the philosophy behind this motive to take over the public school system. They know that should they be successful in inundating our freedom of schools, and they be permitted to teach their heretical teaching, future generations would largely be Catholic. Selah. It is only a matter of record that where Catholics have more schools than others, their own people produce more drunkards, thieves, gamblers, harlots, murderers, and more criminal activities among them than others. Wherever Romanism has been over a period of centuries they have eventually led to poverty, illegitimate births, illiterate men and women.

The New Jersey School Bus Case has become a matter of record. This ruling of the courts gives money aid to schools that

are promulgated by the Catholic Church, the money of being paid by the taxpayer. The U. S. A. Catholics roared long and loud about ing to pay "double tax" which interpreted means pay public taxation for school, then in turn money for their own parochial schools. This is a free country. should be permitted to their own schools, but should not expect the government to help privately schools. Numerous other in America are now in the or they are fighting to keep out of the courts. Catholics trying their power everywhere to gain footage into the institution called the school.

God gave two great institutions to the world, first, home, second the church. a people have given him one great institution called schools. Let us show enough attitude to fight these vultures in the schools.

Again Catholicism tend to warp decisions that are given courts. They tend to vote by high pressure methods. Recently in Italy, the Communists were trying to gain power by securing a majority of the votes, they incurred stiff opposition by the Catholics, personally, have no use Communism. It is a term of freedom and should be cast oblivion. The point in this is the following: A certain radio newscaster broadcast the news and one of his was that in Italy where Communism is striving to power, the priests were fighting to abolish it. One priest told an Italian peasant that persisted in voting the Communist ticket God would lightning to strike him. Heathenism could, no stronger than this.

The fifth paragraph of same clipping says:

"The claim is made Catholics pay the priest for givenness of their sins—that must buy their departed relatives and friends out of purgatory—that they adore statues, use medals, candles and water as sure-fire protection against the loss of a job, or being run down by automobile."

The things mentioned in above paragraph are not true. It is common knowledge that the priest exhorts from Catholics. This is the kind of racketeering. The of the land can't touch them the ungodly deeds. There be a court in heaven where tribunal will issue verdict many religious leaders, words of which will be thing like this, "depart from I have never known you."

During the last war, men who had sons that were on the battlefield were victimized by these vultures of religion. The priests told them were in purgatory and need assistance, consequently paid large sums of money to have their own sons prayed for this place.

I think it is only fair to permit them to speak on subject. The following is a quotation from their own book, title of said book is "A Catholicism for Inquirers," page chapter X, questions 7, 8, 9, 10. "What is Purgatory?"

Answer: "Purgatory is a place where souls are detained for a and purified if they die of slight sins or if they have entirely atoned for great thought these have been (Continued on page three)

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book of their own catechism?

Catholicism will not stand the acid test when put into the light of God's Word. "And this is condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil" (John 3-19). Jesus said he was the light. Again hear these words, "For everyone that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved (discovered)." (John 3-20). The Word of God is the only spiritual weapon which Christians have of combating error. "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world" (1 John 4-1). I, personally, consider it my privilege to investigate religious bodies by using the sword, the Word. It is our duty as true soldiers of the Cross to be on the alert for enemies of the Cross. "If there come any among you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him Godspeed. For he that biddeth him Godspeed is partaker of his evil deeds." II John 10:11.

The people who are desirous of knowing the truth are not going to be hoodwinked by spurious articles and false allegations. It is a matter of record in the hospitals and churches they plant these gruesome objects.

Moreover, the writer states in paragraph 6 things which are very harmful to the public, yet he tries to say they do not engage in such practices. The following is the direct quotation:

"But what is worse, some say, Catholics corrupt the true teachings of Jesus Christ with the addition of pagan superstition and practices that are nothing less than the invention of the devil."

I for one do not hesitate to indict the Catholic hierarchy of corrupting the teachings of our blessed Redeemer. They put words in His mouth which He in no sense meant. Listen to their own words on page 83, chapter XI, article 13:

"Why do we honor relics?"
Answer:

"We honor relics because of their sacred associations; just as we honor the remains of our national heroes, the Liberty Bell, the flags that have been through battle, the playthings of a dead child." This is an acknowledgment of their participation in this idolatrous worship.

Further, they corrupt Christ's teaching, adding the following. Page 83 question 14:

"Besides the Mass and the Sacraments what are some of the chief devotions in the Catholic Church?"

Answer:

(a) Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. (b) The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. (c) The Stations of the Cross. (d) The Rosary of the Blessed Virgin. (e) Novenas to

our Lord and the Saints."

I reiterate what I have already said, Catholics corrupt and pollute the true teachings of Jesus Christ.

Catholics pervert Christ's teaching by many ways. First, by saying that men are not very great sinners, some being greater than others. God's Word should be able to give us a source of light. "All have sinned" Psalm 14-2. "All we like sheep have gone astray" Isaiah 53-6. "That every mouth may be stopped" Rom 3-19. "And all the world may become guilty before God" Romans 3-19. "All under the curse" Gal 3-10. "All the children of the devil" John 8-44. "Natural man a stranger to the things of the spirit" I Cor. 2-14. "Mouths full of cursing" Rom. 3-14. "Children of wrath by nature" Eph. 2-3. "Dominated by the prince of the power of the air" Eph. 2-2. "Destruction and misery in their ways" Rom. 3-16. "Vile and detestable outward behavior" Eph. 2-3. This, my friends, should be enough scripture to prove conclusively that all are sinners exactly alike until redeemed. My friend, if you are in the Catholic church and never been born again, let me give you fair warning to prepare to meet God.

The Bible is the only source of light to guide you to the right Saviour. "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men" Titus 2-11. Note, sinner friend, the term "grace of God that bringeth salvation," not a man that brings it. "Who (Christ) gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity," Titus 2-14. Christ does the redeeming, not some man. "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost," Titus 3-5. There is a negative in this verse which says "not by works of righteousness which we have done." The positive is the latter part, "but according to his mercy he saved us."

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand," John 10-28. Jesus Christ does not require a middleman (priest) for sinners to be saved. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me hath everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life," John 5-24. The plan of salvation is not clouded up by so-called preparation of the Catholic church. "But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is the word of faith, which we preach; That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved," Romans 10-8; 13. The greatest news that any priest can ever tell to his people is the fact that Christ saves all exactly alike; all need to be saved and, further, all are saved without him helping them to perform it. "In whom we have redemption through his

THE BIBLE

By Billy Sunday

Twenty-two years ago, with the Holy Spirit as my guide, I entered the Wonderful Temple of Christianity. I entered at the portico of Genesis, walked down through the Old Testament art galleries where pictures of Noah, Abraham, Moses, Joseph, Isaac, Jacob and Daniel hung on the wall. I passed into the music room of Psalms, where the Spirit swept the keyboard of nature until it seemed that every reed and pipe in God's great organ responded to the tuneful harp of David, the sweet singer of Israel. I entered the chamber of Ecclesiastes, where the voice of the preacher was heard; and into the conservatory of Sharon, and the lily of the valley's sweet-scented spices filled and perfumed my life. I entered into the business office of Proverbs, and then into the observatory room of the prophets, where I saw telescopes of various sizes, pointed to far-off events but all concentrated upon the bright and Morning Star. I entered the audience room of the King of Kings and caught a vision of His glory from the standpoint of Matthew, Mark, and Luke and John, passed into the Acts of the Apostles, where the Holy Spirit was doing His work in the formation of the infant Church. Then I went into the correspondence room, where sat Paul and Peter, James and John, penning their epistles. I stepped into the throne room of Revelation, where tower the glittering peaks, and got a vision of the King sitting upon the throne in all His glory.

blood, the forgiveness of sins according to the riches of his grace," Eph. 1-7. "In whom also we obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will," Eph. 1-11. Yes, Catholics are perverters of Christ's teaching by keeping back this information, especially the gospel.

The seventh paragraph of our article states, "If these things—or any of them—were true, it would be a pity. For at least one out of every six Americans is a Catholic—and it would be a national tragedy if one-sixth of all Americans entertained such erroneous ideas."

It should not be any mystery why one-sixth of the population are Catholics. The Lord gave the reason for people going after error. "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in therat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." Mathew 7:13,14. Any plan for salvation that teaches works for salvation is popular among the world. Catholics have popularity because of that and other reasons. First, the Catholics have various liberties, given them by priests and the church. They may live lavishly in sin and then go to the priest and make confession.

The eighth paragraph of the clipping states the following:

"The Knights of Columbus is an organization of 700,000 Catholic men of reason and intelligence. In our rank will be found statesmen, scientists, historians, physicians, movie stars, lawyers, educators, and others representing every cross-section

of American life. And for each and all of them loyalty to the Catholic Faith is the act of a reasonable man."

I have nothing but utter contempt for the bloody oath of the Knights of Columbus. I realize of course there are men in this order who are utterly blind to the terribleness of it. "Alleged Bloody-Oath of the Knights of Columbus." (as reprinted from the Congressional Records, 62nd Congress, 3rd Session, Vol. 49, part 4, page 3216 Feb. 15 1913). (Used by permission of Dr. Albert Garner, from whose book this oath is taken, "The Devil's Masterpiece, pages 50, 51, 52):

"I, now in the presence of Almighty God, the blessed virgin Mary, the blessed Saint John the Baptist, the holy Apostles, Saint Peter and Saint Paul and all the saints holy of heaven, and to you my Ghostly Father, the superior general of the society of Jesus, founded by Saint Ignatius, in the pontification of Paul the II, and continued to the present, do by the womb of the Virgin, the matrix of God, and the rod of Jesus Christ, declare and swear that His Holiness, the Pope as Christ's vice-general and is the true and only head of the Catholic or universal church throughout the earth, and that by my Saviour, Jesus Christ, he hath power to dispose heretical kings, princes, states, commonwealths and governments that they may be safely destroyed. Therefore, to the utmost of my power I will defend the doctrine of his Holiness' right and custom against all usurpers of the heretical or Protestant authority whatever, especially the Lutheran Church (Continued on page four)

A DRUNKARD'S LIFE

CHAPTER ONE

He Could Have Stopped If He Would.

CHAPTER TWO

He Would Have Stopped If He Could.

CATHOLICISM

(Continued from page three) of Germany, Holland, Denmark, Norway and Sweden and the new pretended authority and Churches of England and Scotland, and the branches of some now established in Ireland, and on the continent of America and elsewhere and all adherents in regard that they may be usurper and heretical, opposing the sacred mother church of Rome.

I now denounce and disown any allegiance as due to any heretical king, prince or state, named Protestant or liberals, or obedience to any of their laws, magistrates or officials.

I do further declare that I will help, assist and advise all or any of his holiness' agents, in any place where I should be, in Switzerland, Germany, Holland or America, or in any other territory I shall come to, and do my utmost to extirpate the heretical Protestant or Masonic doctrines, and destroy all their pretended power, legal or otherwise.

I do further promise and declare that, notwithstanding I am dispensed with to assume any religion heretical for the propagation of the mother church's interest to keep secret and private all her agents' counsels from time to time as they entrust me, and not divulge, directly or indirectly, by word, written or circumstances whatever but to execute all that should be proposed given in charge, or discovered unto me, but by my Ghostly Father, or any of his sacred order.

I do further promise and declare that I will have no opinion or will of my own or any mental reservation whatsoever, even as a corpse or cadaver (Perinde ac cadaver), but will unhesitatingly obey each and every command that I may receive from my superiors in the militia of the Pope and Jesus Christ.

That I will go to any part of the world whatsoever I may be sent, to the frozen regions of the north or the burning sands of the desert of Africa, or the jungles of India, to the center of civilization of Europe or to the wild haunts of the barbarous savages of America without murmuring or repining and will be submissive in all things whatsoever is communicated to me.

I do further promise and declare that I will, when opportunity presents, make and wage relentless war, secretly and openly, against all heretics, Protestants and Masons, as I am directed to do, to extirpate them from the face of the whole earth, and that I will spare neither age, or condition and that I will burn, hang, waste, boil, flay, strangle and bury alive these infamous heretics; rip up the stomachs and wombs of the women and crush their infants' heads against the walls in order to annihilate their execrable race. That when the same cannot be done openly, I will secretly use the poisonous cup, the strangulation cord, the steel of the poniard, or the leaden bullet, regardless of the honor, rank, dignity or authority of the persons whatever be their condition in life either public or private, as I at any time may be directed to so do, by any agent of the Pope, or superior of the brotherhood of the holy Father or by the society of Jesus.

In confirmation of which I hereby dedicate my life, soul and all corporal powers and with the dagger which I now receive, I will subscribe my name, written in my blood in

testimony thereof; and should I prove false or shaken in my determination my brethren and fellow soldiers of the militia of the Pope cut off my head and my feet and my throat from ear to ear, my belly opened and sulphur burned therein with all the punishment that can be inflicted upon me by demons in eternal hell forever.

That I will in voting always vote for a Knight of Columbus in preference to a Protestant, especially a Mason, and that I will lead my party so to do, that if Catholics are on the ticket I will satisfy myself which is the better supporter of the mother Church and vote accordingly.

That I will not deal with or employ a Protestant if in my power to deal with or employ a Catholic. That I will place Catholic girls in Protestant families of heretics.

That I will provide myself with arms and ammunition that I may be in readiness when the word is passed or I am commanded to defend the church either as an individual or with the militia of the Pope.

All of which I do swear by the blood of the trinity and the blessed sacrament which I am now to receive, to perform and on my part to keep this my oath.

In testimony thereof, I take the holy and blessed sacrament of the eucharist and witness the same further with my name written with the point of this dagger, dipped in my own blood, and seal, in the face of this holy sacrament."

Signed

I need not say more concerning the rotten terminology of this oath: Red-blooded Americans should be alert to abolish this ungodly, un-American, un-Biblical oath. As soon as they read this they will probably try to repudiate it by making a statement to the effect that they have changed it. They have a new oath now and they may try to deny having made this one. This oath was upheld last year in a Supreme Court ruling in Lonoke, Ark.

I wish to give you further statements from Dr. Albert Garner's book, "The Devil's Masterpiece," page 53:

SHOULD WE BE ALARMED? THESE ARE HEADING OUR GOVERNMENT: RELIGIOUS STATISTICS FROM DEPARTMENT OF OUR GOVERNMENT OF RECENT DATE:

Departments	Roman Catholic	All Others
State	61 pct.	39 pct.
Treasury	70 pct.	30 pct.
War	61 pct.	39 pct.
Justice	70 pct.	30 pct.
Interior	75 pct.	25 pct.
Education	93 pct.	7 pct.
Congress Lib'ry	63 pct.	37 pct.
Alaskan Gov't R'ways	100 pct.	None

Dr. Garner says:

"Roman evil resides, not in the heart of the honest laity, but in the pagan and barbarous forms and creeds of idolatry from the shores of another land. Romanism is not Americanism. It is adverse to every precept of true Christianity."

Page 50 of Dr. Garner's book. ROME BREAKS LOOSE.

Labor Day, September 3, 1923, Celina, Ohio. "Evangelist King and Garner Bros., Gospel Singers - Mobbed - Rev. Garner put in jail for praising Jesus on the streets of Celina - Town in the Hands of the Papacy - Protestants to the rescue - Holy Water fire brigade made to retreat - Jail doors fly open - Knights of

Columbus leaders whipped - Black eyes - Mashed noses - Bruised - Knights of Columbus in hospitals for repairs - Baby drowned - Town sued for damages - Truth marches on." Thus read the headline news of the paper in Ohio. Fervently I say, WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Again hear Dr. Garner on page 48, chapter XIII:

"In the Vatican dwell four hundred women. For what? Monasteries, (where he-virgins (?) stay), and nunneries, are built in close proximity. Why? In a Florida town is a convent that owns a rumshop, where sometimes a score of priests warm up with wine, whiskey and brandy, and then under a covered archway pass to the nunnery and spend the residue of the night in a bacchanalian revel. In many places Bishops openly let houses for prostitution and pocket the proceeds for the church." - House of death and gate of hell"-(Roman Harlotry an Abomination on the Earth." -by N. L. A. Eastman.

I have taken this newspaper clipping and examined it contents closely. The Word of God being my helper, along with our Constitution, it is the prayer of the writer that many will "come out from among them" as a result of reading this treatise.

Lastly, the last paragraph, which I will examine is as follows:

"We are deeply interested in the welfare of our Church and our Country. And we believe the interests of both will be served best when fair-minded people know that Catholic church as it is - not as it is sometimes mistaken to be."

It is only natural that Catholics should show loyalty to their organization. By this same token I am showing loyalty to my God, church and country by exposing this article.

I believe there are thousands of people who feel the heart-throb of freedom, the surging of liberty in your bosom; the mantle of charity about soul. Then if you are one of the thousands it is your duty to arise to the clarion call of God, church and country. "Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace."-Philippians 1:7.

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ORGANIZING A CHURCH

(Continued from page one) Read I Chronicles 15:1, 2 and 14, 15.

Now read I Chronicles 13:7-10.

All of the modern innovations in use, not authorized by the Bible, are in the nature of "new carts" for the "ark of the Lord."

How should a church be organized? And how carry on its work?

It should be an independent, self-governing church, recognizing Jesus Christ as the only head. "Headquarters" should be in heaven.

It should have as an under-shepherd a male pastor. (May the Lord bless the women. They are worth their weight in gold, but they have no authority to preach.)

It should have deacons, associated with the pastor.

It should not separate and divide the church up into fac-

tions and divisions by means of organizations. A church should have none of these. Let the Sunday school be not separate, but a part of the church itself, with even the report made to the church, and with no intermission. Young peoples' classes should not be elaborately organized, nor sufficient in themselves.

The Bible should be the text Book, and the preaching of the Word should hold the primacy in the church.

A church should seek to cooperate with other sister churches, but each local church should determine the measure and method and extent of such cooperation. All boards, etc., should merely serve as receiving and disbursing agencies for the convenience of churches desiring to cooperate in missionary and benevolent work. They should not consider themselves in the light of "headquarters." They should not tell the churches what to do and how much money to raise, etc. There is neither occasion nor Scripture for the great denominational system now in use, with its tremendous overhead expense.

-Roy Mason, Tampa, Fla.

I SHOULD LIKE TO KNOW

(Continued from Page 1) Moses' law died without mercy" which proves that mercy was not connected with the Law of Moses. The Lord Jesus connects tithing with faith and mercy. If faith and mercy have no connection with the Law of Moses, then certainly tithing has no connection with the Law of Moses. If tithing were of the Law, or ever had been, it would have begun with the Aaronic priesthood, but it didn't, it began with the Melchizedek priesthood; the first time you hear of the Melchizedek priesthood, you hear of tithing the first time.

If as you say, "Justification by faith began with Abraham, then how were people saved before Abraham's time?"

When we said, "justification by faith and tithing both began with Abraham" we were trying only to show where Paul began his argument for Justification by faith, citing Romans 4th, Galatians 3rd, Hebr. 7th. God has never had but one plan of saving people, that is "By grace through faith."

I should like to know where the record is found in the New Testament of Jesus or any of the inspired writers teaching the Lord's churches to teach and practice tithing.

If tithing were of Law it would have begun with the Aaronic priesthood. It didn't. The first and only time you hear of the Melchizedek priesthood, you hear of tithing the first time. Now Melchizedek's priesthood is the type of Christ's priesthood. So Paul argues in Hebrews Seventh that just as Abraham (the pattern believer) paid tithes to Melchizedek (the pattern of Christ)—so all believers ought to pay tithes to Christ our Lord. Tithes belong to Christ. That is the teaching of the Bible. In Matt. 23:23 Jesus says plainly that tithing goes with mercy and faith, which shows the Law of Moses has nothing to do with the tithes we pay now; it also shows that the Law of Moses had nothing to do with the tithes which Abraham paid Melchizedek. Tithing is not a matter of Law but of faith, and the man who does not tithe is guilty of unbelief and a mighty lean Christian. Yes, tithing is obligatory on us today; tithing is not a

matter of Law at all; it moral obligation.

Please explain, Rev. 22: "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him heareth say, Come. And let that is athirst come. And whoever will, let him take the ter of life freely."

This is God's universal invitation to all given through church by the Spirit, to take the water of life freely and it is no argument for the 'hull will' for we read, "It is no him that WILLETH nor of that RUNNETH, but of God sheweth mercy," Rom. 9:16. Jesus said, "No man can come to me EXCEPT the Father which hath sent Me, draw him," John 6:44. Again He said, "I will not come to Me that might have life," John 5:40. Also Eph. 2:1-10; No man is saved until he receives Christ; our work must quicken or all men remain dead!

Are the "ELECT" the children of God before they believe?

No. Paul plainly says in 2:3 that they are by nature children of wrath even others. They are elect salvation." See II Thess. 2:13.

ART THOU WEARY?

(Continued from Page One) "Not till earth, and not till heaven Pass away!"

THEY WERE ONLY BOYS

(Continued from Page One) James Chalmers, who, over a period of twenty-five years, a mighty work for God in Guinea.

MORE UNIONISM

(Continued from page one) like all Protestants, have nothing to gain and everything to lose when they enter into union meeting.

The First and Central Baptist Churches and Jacksonville College had better clean house. Remember, "Mark them who cause divisions and offend contrary to the doctrine which you have learned; and avoid them." (Rom. 16:17). Association Baptists would do well mark and avoid Jacksonville College in their monetary for education until this school comes clean and promises stay clean on the matter unionism.

HERD OF HORSES

(Continued from page one) the herd of horses cost flockmaster of the reservation but we are aware that what the Son of God desired a bride meant for Him the leaving His home in glory, the coming into this scene of sin and sorrow, and His death upon the cross to secure her.

His bride comprises all who confess Him as their Lord Savior. They are espoused Him now, and in His own pointed time He will come received them to Himself take them to the Father's home where He has gone to prepare place for them (John 14:2-3).

There can be no disappointment over the price He paid. Divine justice is satisfied. Father is well pleased, and bride herself asks: "Why, Lord, such love to me?"

Happy is everyone who truthfully say to Him: "When Thou dost come to take Thy bride, Thy glory then for me." -Now