

# The Gates of Papal Prisons Must be Opened and Rome's Slave System Destroyed to Save Innocents from Worse than Hell

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## "ANTI-CATHOLIC BIGOTRY EXPOSED" GALLIVAN GETS GAY IN MINNESOTA

Minnesota invaded by Rome Under Gallivan's Frank-Privilege Further Abused by Insertion of Circular Letter Which is Not Part of Congressional Record—Let's Remove Rome's Prince of Politicians from Public Life

Prominent papists continue to assert that the Roman Catholic church is not in politics. Other prominent papists continue to promote political activities for and in behalf of the Roman Catholic church.

A particularly prominent and perniciously active papist is one James A. Gallivan, representative in congress from Massachusetts. We have mentioned him so often that we are weary of seeing his name in these columns, but his activities are so continuous and so studiously pro-papal that we cannot keep silence with a clear conscience. His un-American machinations are so frequent and his abuse of privilege so flagrant and dangerous as to mark him as an enemy that must be met and removed from contact with public affairs.

As to the political line, the papists are artful dog-ers. When the committee on post offices and post roads held its hearing on the Fitzgerald and Gallivan bills, H. R. 20645 and H. R. 21183, which were designed to exclude "certain publications" from the mails, both Fitzgerald and Gallivan tried to make it appear that they were acting on their own initiative in making an assault upon the freedom of the press.

While Gallivan had the floor for the purpose of making a statement in favor of Fitzgerald's notorious press muzzling attempt he stated to the committee that "Of course, I am here in support of the Fitzgerald bill as well as in support of my own," and referring to his own proposed constitutional amendment, H. R. 21183, which was equally as pernicious as H. R. 20645, he said, "I am not a lawyer, and I have introduced these bills on my own initiative." The statement was repeated a little further along.

Gallivan apparently made that statement with intent to deceive. Such action on the part of representatives of the Roman Catholic church in congress had been contemplated, and carefully provided for by Catholic organizations which are within the church, or are at least composed of members of the church and have the approbation of the church.

Gallivan knew this when he made that statement to the committee, or was in a position to know it, and no one can doubt that he went into that session of congress with the intention of making an assault upon the freedom of the press.

No one can doubt that he went there WITH INSTRUCTIONS FROM HIS CHURCH to do as he did. In support of these radical assertions we submit the following, taken from the American Federation of Catholic Societies, an official Catholic organ published at Cincinnati, Ohio, and St. Louis, Mo., bearing date January and February, 1913:

"Complaint was made of the circulation in this city (St. Louis) and surroundings of anti-Catholic and objectionable papers and books, among others the abominable, filthy sheet called 'MENACE,' published by a so-called 'Rev.' T. C. Walker, of Aurora, Mo. The chairman of the committee on public morals reported that the national law committee of the American Federation of Catholic Societies has in preparation a bill which will be introduced in congress forbidding such vile publications from circulating through the mails. If the bill passes, it will put an end to all publications which outrage the religious convictions of our fellow citizens and publish scurrilous and slanderous attacks upon faith."

And there you have it. Anyone who is able to put two and two together and make four should be able to understand that this is sufficient evidence that ROME IS IN POLITICS, has been in politics, and will be in politics UNTIL THE REAL AMERICANS SHAKE OFF THEIR INDIFFERENCE AND USE THEIR BALLOTS AND BRAINS TO PRESERVE THE FREEDOM ROME SEEKS TO DESTROY. Neither Gallivan nor Fitzgerald acted entirely on their own initiative when these treacherous and un-American press muzzling attempts were made. They knew, as all Catholics knew, that the church wanted THE MENACE crushed. Being obedient and loyal Catholics they proceeded to do their duty to the church, even though it carried them beyond the bounds of duty to their constituents.

These malignant misrepresentations are still listening to the voice of the church. They are using government money, men and machinery to hide the papal path to political power by a steady use of the franking privilege—we should say abuse, FLAGRANT ABUSE.

Gallivan's franking privilege has been active almost continuously since late last winter circulating pure bunk which is designed to blind the American people to the papal purpose. Hundreds of thousands of copies of Gallivan's so-called "speech," which is, apparently, a deliberate and arrogant perversion of privilege for the purpose of advertising the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic church have been circulated at government expense.

Perhaps the latest move in Gallivan's game, if we may judge by the evidence submitted to this office, is to cover at least a portion of Minnesota with this K. of C. misinformation. We have before us a government envelope bearing Gallivan's name in the upper right hand corner, the inscription "House of Representatives U. S., Part of Congressional Record, Free" in the upper left corner, and across the center in half-inch letters, PRINTED IN RED INK, are the words "ANTI-CATHOLIC BIGOTRY EXPOSED." Down in the lower right corner is the one word "Minnesota."

Anti-Catholic bigotry exposed AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE! And we can't even have a convent or H. O. G. S. inspected AT ANYONE'S EXPENSE!

ROME IS IN POLITICS, for her own gain, financially, politically and commercially. She is in politics against everything and every person that is not directly identified with the Roman Catholic church. Get that.

Gallivan is in congress from the Romanized state of Massachusetts for the EXPRESS PURPOSE of taking care of Catholic interests, else how are we to construe his malicious agitation and insistent activities along such acutely Catholic lines?

Gallivan is inserting in his Minnesota grist of guff a four-page circular letter addressed to "Our Protestant Fellow Citizens." In that letter he briefly mentions the main points of interest in his "Expose" and particularly vents his spleen upon the Guardians of Liberty in the following Christian (?) and charitable (?) language:

"We suggest to our Protestant fellow citizens this test. Take any person who belongs to this order (The Guardians of Liberty), look him over, examine into his antecedents and into his general reputation and say whether he is a person that you would admit to your home, introduce to your wife or daughters or trust to any extent without ample security."

This is the kind of stuff Gallivan is franking out over the country, and that letter is no part of the congressional record as far as we have been able to determine. Is Gallivan a safe man to have in congress?

Can we doubt that Rome is in politics when an official Catholic organ makes the plain statement that the Law Committee of the American Federation of Catholic Societies is preparing a bill WHICH WILL BE INTRODUCED IN CONGRESS?

Can patriotic Americans afford to place power in the hands of men who will hide behind a pretense of religion to break down and discredit the very principles upon which American freedom is based? With all her cunning, intimidation, intrigue and terrorist tactics; regardless of the blind obedience exacted and the heavy hand laid upon the courts and press, Rome is

## Rome Gets the Money--And Keeps It

We have before us a copy of The Buffalo Commercial, dated July 12th, the present year. This paper contains the property exemption list of the city of Buffalo, N. Y., as made out and certified to by the assessors of that city, which furnishes some very interesting reading. We are aware that it is a common practice to release from taxation, property used solely for religious worship. This, we suppose is considered a matter of sound public policy which we do not care to discuss here, other than to note that the principal opponents of full taxation are Roman Catholic priests, aided by a few wealthy Protestant congregations in the cities, whose churches are built mainly for show instead of for worship.

The state of New York is very liberal in this matter of taxation. Not only are church buildings and their sites exempt from taxation, but so is almost any other kind of property if it is called religious property, or is controlled by some religious body. Anything goes, from vacant building sites to churches with hundreds of thousands, in real estate and vast investments.

The Catholics of Buffalo, alive to the situation have succeeded by various and devious means in piling up within the fold, a goodly share of the filthy lucre. Of course, all free from taxes.

No one can blame the good (or bad) priests for this, as every one knows that the "church" is a vast financial scheme which gathers in everything within its reach.

It has done this in the past in every other country where it has held sway, and is getting along fairly well in the U. S.

The faithful in Buffalo are pretty well fixed according to the returns before us. Their churches are valued at the tidy sum of \$3,986,965.00 ASSESSED valuation, (ALL EXEMPT) to which, of course, they are as much entitled as other churches.

We note right here that much of this great sum was given by Protestants, NOT ONE OF WHOM, IF DEAD, WOULD BE ALLOWED A FUNERAL SERVICE IN ONE OF THOSE CHURCHES.

In other respects the church is equally well fixed. The diocese of Buffalo holds various properties valued for ASSESSMENT purposes at \$1,447,015.00. Of course, all exempt. Bishop Colton at the time of his death, was assessed at \$168,900.00, mostly church property.

The brotherhoods and sisterhoods are pretty well fixed, as the Oblate Missionaries of the Immaculate Conception have managed to accumulate the little assessment of \$585,000.00, which, for men under vows of priestly poverty is doing very well.

If it were not for their vows of poverty they probably would have made a better showing.

The Franciscan Fathers haven't done so well. They come to the front with a showing of only \$358,750.00. They too, were probably hampered by their vows.

However, we find in another place that the "Friars Minor Order" is credited with an assessment of \$230,000.00 which will help them out.

THESE GREAT SUMS ARE ALL FREE FROM TAXES on the grounds of being owned and manipulated by "religious" men.

There are thousands of men in New York state, equally religious and as good in every other respect, who PAY their taxes, and ask no favors on account of their religion.

The Sisters of Mercy are pretty well to do, considering that nuns are supposed to have no property. They are assessed at \$319,700.00 marked "convent and school."

Why shouldn't convents be exempt? When general inspections of semi-public institutions are proposed Catholics declare that convents are only HOMES of the nuns, and that they work for other people (for pay).

These women hold exempt property to the sum of over \$300,000.00. A poor widow with a family of dependent children and a modest home, worth \$1000.00 would be made to pay HER share of the taxes.

Do you see the difference?

In educational lines the Roman Catholic brethren have accumulated property valued at \$1,871,675.00, all EXEMPT.

Why should a sectarian school be freed from taxation any more than a private school?

Perhaps some of the learned lawyers in the New York state constitutional convention, now in session, can answer the question for us.

In hospitals (commercial propositions) they have in hand, investments of \$442,270.00, and in asylums \$847,240.00. These are the places where they gather the infants and make sure they are raised Catholics.

Yes, the church is pretty well fixed in Buffalo, but probably no better than in all other congested Catholic centers. Rochester, Albany, Brooklyn and New York City, might make still better showings.

A study of the exemption reports of the assessors of New York, would disclose some remarkable things and might open some people's eyes.

An investigation of this subject could profitably be extended all over the United States. Don't think for a moment that affairs in this line are worse in New York than in other states.

Pennsylvania is a notorious example of handing over state funds to sectarian institutions which go scott free from taxation.

When the late archbishop of Chicago died, it was published in the daily papers that he held \$70,000,000.00 of property in trust for the church.

Catholic papers said nothing about it, as it might have set the faithful to thinking and asking questions; especially as this property is used as the basis of the issue and sale of "DIOCESAN BONDS."

We have only mentioned a few sore spots in the financial side of the body politic, and confidently assert that this part of Rome's work is as great a menace to the nation as is its political activity.

In fact, Rome is in politics for the sake of power and the protection political control can furnish the church and its schemes, and the greatest of these is the financial game.

ROME IS IN THE GAME TO WIN; AND IT TAKES MONEY TO PLAY IT.

Money it must have to support all these projects and this vast army of priests and nuns, and accumulate reserves for the future.

That it succeeds in getting the needful, was shown last April by the published accounts that the Catholic church would furnish \$10,000,000.00 to finance a filibustering expedition into Mexico, in open violation of U. S. law.

After all, we do not blame so much, the priests for their scheming, as we wonder at the non-Catholic suckers who persist in furnishing them the means of war, to be used in making America Catholic.

unable to cover all her tracks and truth cannot be evaded in every instance. It is up to the REAL AMERICANS to remove the papal servants from power by a persistent and careful use of the ballot.

It can be done, and must be done.

It is mighty trying to be strong in "Catholicity" these strenuous days of war time! Not even the head of the church can straddle the fence of neutrality but must be down on all sides as if he takes sides he must keep it to himself for the sake of mother church which doesn't allow a man to be himself. All papal announcements have to be weighed with the scales of all countries or there will be trouble which the Vatican can never overcome. It will require clever maneuvering to hold the already waning papal prestige in those countries engaged in war. But what kind of a religious system is that in which not even its highest officers can be true to themselves but must secretly scheme and pretend, yet all the while directing the clergy what attitude they should assume in regard to the war in their country? Double dealing is dishonest and dangerous.

A number of articles of devotion, mostly old bones, were brought to Cincinnati recently. The oil and water was blessed with the relic of St. Anne. The priestly tumblerbush scurry around with their relics up in Canada, then for a change and to see how Uncle Sam will act, they roll them over the border line. The boys in Cincinnati must be awfully interested in relics!

If any one hears a roar like thunder, it is the "Royal Priesthood" bellowing for a "strong, virile, active, practical Catholic laity." When a speaker is brave enough to publicly expose the papal system, the Catholic members should not be held so responsible for a bloody scene is enacted, but the priests, who are the Beckers behind every great assassination. In their confessional they know of a murder, that is planned by those steeped in "faith and morals" and they keep it secret. Next to convent inspection laws, these should be laws holding the priest-confessors as conspirators to all crimes committed by the laity. These Mark Antonies that fire the vicious and ignorant Catholics with the idea that they "must be active and practical Catholics," are responsible for crimes committed by the members.

At the recent Catholic Educational Convention Archbishop Ireland chanted about the "Victories of Catholic Education in America." In spite of the Catholic University at Washington, and all the parochial schools taught by the priests and nuns there doesn't seem to be any victory of any kind if Catholic editors are not mistaken. These writers are complaining that Catholics are lacking in the rare ability of making their demands effectively understood by the non-Catholics. A St. Louis Jesuit backs up their claim by insisting that the fair name of the church has been assailed; that nuns and priests have been insulted, and with no one to defend them. By whooping up the laity they expect to make the "enemies of Catholicism" shiver. What the laity are going to do about it remains to be seen.

"I left the church years ago," said an intelligent American. "A very wealthy merchant adopted me. Some way the priest kept an eye on me. They persuaded my widowed mother to leave Italy with the other ten children and come to America. As soon as she got here, they seized her into taking me away from my good mother, saying I was in the hands of the devil, and that God would punish her if she did not mind them. After I left, we all begged around about as we had done back in Italy. They ruined my life. I could see them in hell! They have started a 'Catholic Boys' Protective League' now with Cardinal O'Connell president! The object of this league is to do to boys what was done to me! You see they are afraid the boys will stray away from the church, and these robber priests want to pull them, through life. Protective League! Yes—for the priests!"

As soon as the Roman Catholic church succeeds in obtaining control of the civil power she will drop her all hypocritical phrases, such as "loyalty to the flag," "the stars and stripes," "the American Republic," etc. She will never for one moment relax her endeavors to gain pre-eminence in governmental affairs.

The 17,000 priests in this country are called by The Tablet, "A Royal Priesthood," not an humble priesthood. And a Catholic editor writes that "our priests are the most hard working and devoted on earth and need no villainous comments to inspire their best activities." He also thinks the priests do not get enough gratitude and that they are thwarted by the laymen.

## THE BIG POPE ON THE RUN: LOOK OUT FOR LITTLE POPES

Political Traps, Set by Selfish Schemers, the Only Danger-- Keep the Object in Mind and the End in View--Test Every Proposition on its Merits, and Let Every Patriot Be His Own Leader

There can be little doubt that the movement in opposition to political Romanism now numbers twice as many voters as it did at the time of last fall's elections. The greatest growth has been since the beginning of the present year; due partly to work previously done, and partly to the contemptible efforts made by papists to intimidate by means of threats and the boycott.

Nothing particularly spectacular or sensational has happened beyond the well-known attempt of papist congressmen to secure impossible legislation against protesting publications. The present growth is merely the quiet crystallizing of public opinion, the extent of which is measured by gains in the membership of patriotic organizations, by renewed activity in older organizations, and by a change of tactics on the part of the enemy. The papist press has quieted down to a degree hitherto unknown; and, forsaking its old brow-beating tactics, is trying to make popery appear wholly gentle and altogether lovable.

Attention is called to this remarkable success, not for the purpose of vain boasting, but to point out a possible danger due to the proximity of next year's national election. This enlarged solidarity of the movement has created a tremendous power which will be active previous to and during the national political campaign of 1916. The long-sought opportunity to strike a telling blow for Americanism is at hand. The people are in the humor, and are determined, to stop this meddling in American politics and affairs by papal agents. All that is needed for a glorious victory, and the discomfiture of the enemy, is to keep the one object in view; and side-step each of the many schemes which will be used to weaken and disrupt the movement by its alert enemies and its supposed friends.

We are going into the biggest fight in the history of the movement. The one thing needful to insure success is to keep our heads, keep cool, and not be led aside by the artifices of private, selfish interests. Beware of the professional politicians whose every-day business consists of playing for political power, and who will assuredly try to make something out of this sentiment generated by patriots. A politician plays for just such power as the anti-papal movement has created. His bait will be ready and his hook will be sharpened for the unwary. He will catch honest and sincere patriots if they don't guard themselves, and more especially guard their cause.

While the patriot, who supports this movement with his money and labor, does so for the common good, there are plenty of cold-blooded sharks ready to capture patriotic organizations and use them for private personal advantage. If the politicians possibly can, they will take advantage of this great popular uprising to ride into office without regard for its principles or welfare. Be careful whom you vote for, and especially whom you support at the primaries. If your candidates are true blue and have proved their honest devotion to Americanism, their election need not fail; but if they are with us for revenue only they will not only defeat themselves but also defeat and discourage the whole movement.

If such men capture the movement they will certainly abuse it. They will turn it to their own purposes, and the cause will lose all the effort you have made in its behalf. And that is not all; abuse of power destroys it. The politicians captured the A. P. A. movement, and it is no more. Let us profit by experience, and see that the old mistakes are not repeated. Our object is to preserve and perpetuate principles and not to promote persons. We must use people in our work; but, in so doing, it is essential to select the right kind of people. THE MENACE should not, will not, and can not make this selection. It is not in the province of any newspaper to tell its readers

whom to vote for; that is a function belonging wholly to the individual voter.

The most we can do is to urge care in the matter of choice, so that none but genuine patriots are placed in positions of power and responsibility. If politicians are permitted to capture and destroy this power which has been generated with so much labor and sacrifice, the anti-papal movement must result in failure. It will go to pieces long before its most needed work can be done, and it is unnecessary to say that none of us wish to court such a calamity. Now is the time to guard against failure. The nearer we come to the next general election the more vigilance will be needed. Spotting the pretenders now is like swatting the early fly. A stitch in time saves yards of sewing. Well begun is half done. Get the right start.

In going into this great national campaign, THE MENACE is sticking to the text of its original policy. It will support no party and become the organ of no clique; but will use every ounce of energy it possesses to defeat every subject of the pope seeking a political office in the United States. This course is determined upon because we know it to be necessary for the defense of political and religious freedom, and for the preservation of free institutions peculiar to our country and modern civilization. THE MENACE has millions of personal friends whom it would be glad to help in any legitimate way, but it can't help any one of them politically, save as it helps all to rid this country of Romish influence and papal politicians. Let's all stick to the text—the only legitimate, satisfactory and successful thing to do.

Popery is bad in principle; and, to be consistent, we who oppose the plans of the big pope must equally oppose the horde of little popes who are ever ready to boost themselves by means of papal tactics. There is a popish streak in human nature that may appear even in an anti-papal movement, and is more likely to appear because of the movement's political nature. When it does so show itself, it must be discouraged and defeated or it will defeat the cause. Let our watchword be pure democracy, popular government, human rights, and down with autocracy, monarchism, popery and personal aggrandizement in all their forms.

This effort needs no lords, dukes or bosses. They would be as fatal to it as popes, cardinals and bishops are to the welfare of civilization. Let every man be his own leader, and as a voter use every faculty for the purifying of American politics. The independent voter is the hope of the nation. The country needs men to stand by principles and convictions, even when their party leaves such principles and convictions. These are the true patriots, the salt of the earth and the true regenerators of the republic.

The independent need not sacrifice principles in being true to himself on every occasion. He is truer to his party when he rebukes it for wrong-doing than he would be if he blindly followed it into error. Make your party right on this question if it is possible to do so; but if the party fails you, you can't be blamed for following your own course for the common good. Let us all get together for the defeat of the common enemy and the overthrow of political Romanism. No leader is safe who is not moving positively in that direction and to that end.

Beware of the little popes who will assuredly show up on the way with schemes to crown themselves, the greatest obstacle to success. Let us go our several ways carefully and determinately, but all bound to the great end of Americanizing America, and let us be ready to quit any company or check any leader seeking to sidetrack the movement, or 'trying to make it his private property.

Who knows how many girls Rome is robbing of their youth and health and life in the papal prisons conducted under the shadow of the Catholic cross?