

REGARDING PRIESTLY PRE-TENSIONS.

A GREAT deal of nonsense and falsehood are published about the alleged pretensions of the Priesthood of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Those ministers are required to direct ecclesiastical matters in love and forbearance, devoid of unrighteous restraint, and the lowest among them as well as the most lowly member, are amenable to the laws and regulations that govern the Church. While the leaders of so beneficent an organization as the Church are singled out as objects against whom charges of assumption and oppression should be hurled, it is curious that the priesthood of the Roman Catholic Church should enjoy a comparative immunity from such aspersions. This reflection has been induced by the perusal of the following extraordinary article which appears in the New Orleans Morning Star (a Catholic paper) of a late date. It was under the heading, "Priests are God's Angels":

"And God said to his angels: 'It is my desire to send you on the earth to carry on the glorious work which my beloved Son has commenced. You will take upon you human nature as He has done, and the world's temptations will surround you. You will be angel and man. You will have free will. Neglect not to continually ask from your native heaven the special grace which as man you will require to keep from contaminating your angel robes.'"

"And when your mission on earth is finished, the souls you have saved shall shine as stars and crown you with their glory. Go and carry with you the influence of your God."

"And the angels came on earth and became as one of us, some born in poverty and some in wealth, according to the dispensation of God. He knowing from what sphere they would do most good."

"Angel and man." Angel to dispense God's mysteries; man to cope with man and understand the weakness of man, until at last he can raise man to little less than angel's height.

Oh man, why so blind?

When you speak to a priest, why not bow in reverence to the angel? When you seek advice of a priest, why not listen with the reverence due to an angel from God's kingdom? When you pass a priest why not feel that you have passed one of Heaven's own? When you speak evil of a priest why not fall to the ground, and hide your face, and moan with shame, horror and fear? How dare you speak evil of God's angel, and then with a look of satisfaction on your brow ask God's blessing? You may hear masses, you may put your arms in the box you may kneel at the altars, you may repeat prayers with your lips all day long, you may wear scapulars, you may finger your beads, you may belong to all the societies of the church, you may fast and weep and wail, but if you speak evil of a priest, all other things are blotted out. You are a heap of deceptive mockery and a living lie to your profession of faith. Our beloved Savior was God and man. Our priest is angel and man, and God and His angels will be with us till the end.

In gratitude to God let us speak to our priests with reverence, and never forget that "priests are God's own angels."

FIRST DISTRICT COURT.

Provo, March 16.

The prosecution opened the Tintic lynching case. Mr. Hiles said they expected to prove that a young man about 24 years of age, named Joseph Fisher, on the 6th day of last July, about 11 o'clock in the morning, was arrested; that Fisher, when arrested, was wounded and had an abrasion over the right eye; he was then taken to the jail. At the time of the arrest quite a crowd followed them and among them were Daniel Shields, Regan and others, who followed the officers to the jail, and made many threats that they would hang Fisher, and during all the afternoon there were many preparations to that end. It will appear that D. and J. Harrington went to a store and bought a rope, and that same rope was used in strangling Fisher to death; that the officers in the afternoon received notice of what should be done with the defendant; Father was present when the jail was opened and Fisher taken out, and that Savage acted in violation of his duty and in concert with the others. We shall claim here that while he was not acting as openly as some others he was equally culpable; that he said "if you are going to kill that man don't do it like a dog." About dark a large crowd assembled at the jail, several men stood there to protect the jail but unarmed, placed there by Mr. Standing, and the armed crowd that came up ordered them to leave; a demand was made upon Mr. Standing for the keys of the jail; he expostulated with them, and then the justice of the peace commanded them in the name of the law to disperse, and in view of all this they persisted until they murdered Fisher; the officer was threatened with instant death if he did not give up the keys, and in fear of death he gave them up, and the crowd then rushed for the door of the jail, and when the door was thrown open, the first man to enter was Daniel Shields, who re-

ceived the keys from Standing. They struggled until they got the rope around Fisher's neck, who had now retreated to the wall; that Pat Harrington struck him with a club and Fisher sank to the floor; they then took the deceased and dragged him over a quarter of a mile on his back to the "whip" where he was hung; when they got there he was dead, but one said "we will hang him anyhow," and he went up. Each man then swore fidelity and kissed a book.

The first witness called was George C. Toleman.

GENERAL NEWS.

New York, March 17.—Sheriff Grant has seized the place of business of Walter E. Lawton, 81 Broadway, who did business under the firm name of Lawton Brothers, as fertilizers, under attachments from Judge Donohue, of the supreme court, on creditors' claims amounting to \$245,000. It is charged that Lawton has absconded to defraud his creditors, that he has disposed of his property and taken a large amount of money with him. Lawton was a director of the Delta Azotite Co., and was entrusted with \$100,000 in notes to discount for the company on March 15. Lawton is said to have absconded with the proceeds of the discounted notes.

FURTHER DETAILS.

The disappearance of Lawton has created a great deal of apprehension and it is generally believed that he is bankrupt. He left the office Tuesday afternoon as usual to go to his home on the Hudson, and has not been seen since. Three attachments were obtained against him to-day. The amount of his liabilities is estimated at about \$1,000,000.

Lawton is a widower and the sole representative of the firm, his brother, who was associated with him, having died some time ago. Rufus T. Kirkland, Lawton's cashier, states that on Tuesday, Lawton withdrew all his funds from the different banks in which he deposited, and took the money with him. Lawton, before his departure, destroyed all stubs, checks and papers of every kind from which any information could be secured as to the disposition of funds and property. Joseph D. Jones placed in Lawton's care on Tuesday, on behalf of the company, \$12,000; this is

ALSO GONE.

Kirkland states that on Tuesday he had an interview with Lawton at Broadway and Wall streets, and that Lawton requested him to go with him to the offices of the Third National Bank and introduced him. This he did. Lawton also asked him to obtain a blank warrant deed for the conveyance of real estate in New Jersey and to meet him in the New York Hotel. He met Lawton there with the blank deed and both went to the Grand Central depot. Lawton told Kirkland he intended to leave the city by train; he had drawn out all the money on deposit, that he was ruined, that he did not know what to do and that he would probably

COMMIT SUICIDE.

Lawton further said he had exhausted all his resources and was not able to pay out any money in his possession. He left Kirkland to take a train. The second attachment was issued at the instance of the Chemical Ammoniate and Oil Company, upon a similar claim. The company delivered to Lawton promissory notes of the value of \$120,000 in trust to discount the notes and hold the proceeds for the company's benefit. In addition, he received \$8,000 in money. He discounted the notes, kept the proceeds, and also retained the money and converted it to his own use. The third claim is one of \$5,000 for professional services by Robert A. Van Wyck, rendered to Lawton.

New York, March 17.—Wm. J. Hutchinson, ex-broker, was arrested to-day and taken to the Tombs prison. He was charged by Wm. H. Sistrare, of the firm of Geo. Sistrare & Co., with converting to his own use and benefit and that of his wife over \$35,000 worth of stock. The stock was deposited on different dates in 1884 with Hutchinson to raise a loan.

LONDON, March 17.—The feature of the observance of St. Patrick's day in England was the appearance of many Englishmen wearing shamrock. A sleet and snow storm stopped all outdoor demonstrations in honor of the day. It is feared that riots will ensue from the celebration of the day at Lurgan and County Armagh, and two hundred extra policemen have been added to the regular local force.

Ignatius Donnelly has hardly got through proving that Bacon wrote Shakespeare when Eugene Riechel, a German savant, proves that Bacon did not originate his scheme of philosophy, but pirated it from another.

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[SEAL]

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