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A SIGNIFICANT VICTORY.

If anyone imagines that anti-Catholic bigotry and highly-developed know-nothingism are silent in death he has but to read the comments of many leading journals on the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case McGuire vs. Trustees of New York Catholic Cemetery, and he will rapidly change his opinion. The father of the plaintiff had died while virtually excommunicated from the church for active co-operation with Dr. McGlynn. Necessarily, under the circumstances, his body was refused burial in the Catholic

cemetery. The decision was severe, but perfectly in keeping with the enormity of the offence and the punishment which ecclesiastical law imposes. The son of the dead man appealed to the Supreme Court on the ground that, as his father owned a lot in the cemetery, he was legally entitled to all the privileges of his property. The decision of the court was awaited with considerable interest and proved a stunner for those who expected to see the Church crushed. The appeal was dismissed, it being held that the purchaser of a lot in a cemetery must abide by the rules governing interments therein. As these rules had been violated, McGuire's body could legally be refused interment. Then came the weeping and gnashing of teeth, and many was the whispered "priestly influence," "Jesuits!" "Jesuits!" But let our friends, the enemy, whisper, and shout if they wish—we can afford to smile at their rage and discomfiture.

GODLESSNESS UPHELD.

In reply to the students' address recently presented to him, Principal Grant of Queens alluded to the oft-repeated statement that Queens is denominational. Waiving for a moment the question of fact, let us see how the Principal disproved this statement and what his refutation of it means. He argued thus: prominent Anglicans and Methodists participated in my reception; a Roman Catholic read an address to me; therefore Queens is not denominational. Verily here we have strange logic; the premises and the conclusion are not well-proportioned, and it can scarcely be said that the one follows from or supposes the other. It is not a specimen of fair reasoning to draw such a conclusion from the joy of the people of Kingston over his safe return and their gratitude for the good he and Queens have undoubtedly done. But admitting that