

Freeport Me.

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Not long ago there appeared in the public press an account that fire arms had been shipped to the Catholic Churches of Bloomington and Peoria this state, and that some of the packages were marked "Fruit trees" but were found to contain fire arms. A few days ago it was discovered that a back room of a Catholic Church in this city was filled with guns.

Is this not a direct violation of our laws, and contrary to the spirit of true Americanism? And how is it that such secret plottings and movements are tolerated, when it can be nothing less than a growing menace to our institutions of freedom!

John Rave.