

Signal," page 202, commenting on these effusions, says: "The pope is trying by every strategy at his command to take possession of these United States, and already thousands of voters are quietly turning the political scales in his favor. My countrymen, you are sleeping on a volcano. Study this chapter, then turn back and re-read the chapter on bloodshed."

Bishop O'Connor speaks: "Religious liberty is merely endured until the opposite can be carried into effect without peril to the Catholic world." Is that so, O'Connor? Then my advice to Protestants is, that they be prudentially up and doing. The prowling burglar that is simply peaceable and harmless while waiting for midnight darkness, should be seized as a thief and handcuffed at the first indication of his intentions.

The "*Catholic Review*" speaks; "Protestantism, of every form, has not, and never can have, any right where Catholicity is triumphant." Then Romanism should have "no right" where Protestantism is "triumphant;" and all the more so, since the former not only is and always has been a deadly evil and a scourge to humanity, both for time and eternity, but because, also, self-protection, which is the first-law of our being, should impel us to take steps accordingly.

Archbishop Hendrick, of St. Lewis, has also something to say: "Heresy and unbelief are crimes; and in *Christian* countries, as in *Italy* and *Spain* (!) for instance, where all the people are Catholics, and where the Catholic religion is an essential part of the law of the land, they are punished as other crimes." "*Heresy*" and "*Christian*" countries, as *Italy* and *Spain*, forsooth! New Testament Christianity is a "crime," no doubt, in the eyes of Popery and popish countries; and being punishable there as such, in view of its unchanged and unchangeable character and designs upon Protestantism everywhere, *therefore* Romanism should be regarded as a crime in Protestant countries; and being everywhere actively anti-Protestant, it should be punishable as such by a deprivation of their civil "rights" and powers which are by them at present but treasonably held in abeyance.

If their "religion," so called, would allow them to let sensible Christians alone, and not by the tortuous strain of the rack, the stake, or at the point of the sword, attempt to force their damnable tenets upon others who have no desire to be damned through them, we might let them alone, and simply allow them to be individually responsible for their own destruction. But their "religion," so called, being from beneath, it will not allow them to do this; and hence, as God, according to prophecy, purposes putting a chain upon the devil (some time perhaps in the near future,) for a thousand years. so should we, and so shall we, I believe, have to put it upon Popery. It calls itself a "church" and a "religion," but from a Scriptural standpoint it is neither one nor the other. Unanswerable proof of it is legion, but its anti-Christian, anti-Scriptural persecuting tenets alone prove its nether, apostate origin. It is not in its present state a Divinely recognized religion, but an idolatry, compounded of heathenism, Judaism, and a blasphemously mangled and counterfeited Christianity.

The following from the *Rambler*, a "Catholic" paper published in London, England, gives, in connection with the foregoing quotations, no uncertain sound: "Religious Liberty," says this issue