

Christ's vicar on earth; Catholics who violate unblushingly the commandments of a church which, nominally, they profess to follow; Catholics who send to the legislative halls the worst enemies of that holy institution which, when they were infants, received them into its bosom, and from which they drew their very life—such Catholics, we say, are rather queer members of our holy religion; yet, these are the persons we find holding sway in more than one European nation. How do they compare with the Catholics we have met with in New York? and, as we have said, New York is but a small corner of a far extending Republic. In the words of Oregon's illustrious Archbishop, these pretended Catho-

lics "don the livery of heaven wherein to serve the devil," and, we might add that, at their hands, the devil is very well served indeed. No doubt the American government is, in great part, Protestant, but is it, on that account, to suffer by comparison with a government of Freemasons or of infidels, whose only claim to Catholicity is the register of their baptisms? Again let us quote the words of Dr. Gross, and with them close our paper: "We protest," says the learned Oregon Prelate, "against the parading of these governments as Catholic governments, and claiming, as such, sympathy from American Catholics; they have our contempt not one jot of our sympathy."

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