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On Other Foot.
 In his rather peculiarly and unfortunately phrased speech before the People's Sunday evening, Rev. Paul Moore Strayer intimated that "somehow or other, more of the minor political offices fall to the Catholics". Of course, he knew full well that most of these "minor offices" are filled by competitive civil service examinations and if Catholics are holding these offices, then it must be conceded that they pass the civil service commissions with higher standing than their non-Catholic competitors if there were any in the competition. What would Mr. Strayer have? Would he abolish the competitive examinations? Would he award the minor offices on the basis of religious affiliation of the applicants, so many the Methodists, so many the Baptists, and so on? Or would he exclude the Catholics entirely?
 We notice that a well-known business man has been appointed as commissioner of public safety. Among his qualifications, as listed in the newspapers are that he is a Presbyterian; a Shriner and so on. Has anybody heard that the Federation of Catholic Societies, the Knights of Columbus, or any official Catholic body has entered a protest? And yet, if we followed the example of our opponents, we should feel justified in so doing?
 Do the others not realize the absurdity of their position?

Loss to Hierarchy.
 While he had served his allotted threescore and ten years, had served half a century as priest, thirty-one years as bishop and archbishop, nevertheless the death of Archbishop Patrick Riordan, of San Francisco, came as a shock to the Catholic world of the United States and his demise is a distinct loss to the American hierarchy. He was a finely educated prelate, his advanced studies having been made in the University of Louvain recently desolated by the German soldiers. He was indefatigable in his labors for Holy Mother Church and our Holy Faith. He has built up the Church in his far Western Diocese, made hal- lowed by the early missionaries work.
 The dead prelate had visited in Rochester several times and was a close personal friend and admirer of our first Bishop of Rochester, the late lamented Rt. Rev. Bernard J. McQuaid. Our esteemed townsman, Rt. Rev. Edward J. Hanna, is auxiliary bishop of San Francisco and may be chosen as archbishop. We ask the prayers of all our readers for the happy repose of the soul of the dead Archbishop.

Mighty Protest.
 The following special despatch from Washington to the Cincinnati Times-Star of recent date shows that the Catholic protest against circulation of obscene and filthy through the mails is beginning to attract attention from

the public at large:—"Congressmen from Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and other middle-western states, have been receiving a flood of letters during the last week protesting against the transmission of certain anti-Catholic publications through the mails. On one day alone Senator Kern of Indiana received 1,000 such letters.
 "This nation-wide campaign of letters of protest against the use of the mails for the forty filthy anti-Catholic papers which now enjoy the second class privilege, is perhaps the most striking manifestation of Catholic sentiment on the part of individuals ever organized in this country. It marks a new era in the history of Catholic action in America."

Who Are They?
 It will be interesting to learn just which United States senators voted against the joint resolution introduced by Senator Lodge to the pending immigration bill which would have permitted the admission to this country promptly of such Belgian refugees as come to this country desirous of engaging in agricultural pursuits.
 This resolution provides that the provisions of the immigration laws relating to contract labor, or to induced or assisted immigration, shall not apply to agricultural immigrants from Belgium who come to the United States during the course of the present war, or owing to any circumstances or conditions arising from that war, if it be shown to the satisfaction of the commissioner general of immigration that such Belgian immigrants come prepared to take up lands in the United States and to become American citizens.

Two Sides.
 In a recent issue of the St. Paul Bulletin, there is a sensible discussion of "Crime and Punishment." While there is no catering to the ultra-faddists who would make the prison more cosy than the home and shower luxuries upon the criminal classes beyond those enjoyed by the average mechanic's family out of prison, yet the fact is conceded that many a criminal justifies his course of life because so many wealthy criminals are able not only to purchase legal immunity from the consequences of wrong doing but actually manage to continue respected citizens of their community.
 The Bulletin rightly says that breaking down of religion, glorification of brute strength and animal passions and sneering at ancient land marks will not produce a change in the lives and hearts of the criminal classes neither will it work any reform. What is needed is reformation among ourselves. We must ourselves live rightly before we can expect to influence others to amend their ways. Men must be brought to realize that all they have and are is derived from God and that they must obey God's laws or pay the penalty, either in this world or the next, before they can be induced to turn from evil ways to those that are good.

If Charles H. Betts, of the Lyons Republican, is elected to Congress, it may be said that one fearless, aggressive newspaper editor could not be kept down.
 Merton E. Lewis' appointment as deputy attorney-general is but repayment of yeoman service in behalf of the Republican state organization.
 It behooves all good citizens to keep close tabs on the constitutional convention which convenes in Albany on April 15th of this year.
Have you become accustomed to writing 1915?

Unsteady has the head that fears a bomb.
 Hope is the dream you have when awake.
 Everything would be right were it not for the "buta."
 Revenge is sweet only to the very small individual.
 Responsibility walks hand in hand with capacity and power.
 European royalty is shown to be a wretched and unhappy lot.
 Time never hangs heavy on the hands of a boy with his first watch.
 Some folks would look for happiness with a lantern when the sun is shining.
 While going through this life it is better not to let the other fellow have all the fun.

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw wants a "Spinsters' day." Why not make it Feb. 14?
 If a man is really misunderstood he has himself to blame for not making himself clear.
 Flour is asserted to be cheaper in the west, but that can be corrected by a rise in the yeast.
 Do not spend your good money for lemons. Wait awhile and somebody will hand you one.
 Advertising always pays unless you want the world to know that you have been eating garlic.
 When a girl's shoes hurt her she doesn't say they are too small. She says they don't fit.
 The waves, like some men, arrive at the seashore in grand style and go away from it broke.
 Nature pays her debts except perhaps to the man who feels that the world owes him a living.
 A man simply can't sit on a dry goods box and make footprints in the sands of time at the same time.
 The foolish man is not always the large talker. We have seen some of them get the writing habit.
 Millions more given to "medical research" by John D., and still nobody knows why he is cold in the head.

France has developed so much interest in prizefighting that boxing may yet be introduced in Parisian duels.
 A Washington woman has ten children that weigh more than a ton. Motherlike, doubtless, she waits on them all.
 A Chicago university professor proposes to weigh the moon. While he is at it he might put a muzzle on the dog star.
 A victim of bridge whist asserts that the game dwarfs the mind. Many have found, too, that it dwarfs the pocketbook.
 It has been figured out that \$50 an interest will amount to \$15,000,000 by the year 2254. Now is the time to save your pennies.
 Sir Percy Scott says the submarine will supplant the battleship. We may soon expect something to put the submarine out of business.
 A woman adorned with a revolver tried to call on King George in London, but for some reason the king found it impossible to receive her.
 A Chicago bachelor has just died leaving \$12,000,000, which only goes to show that a lot of money doesn't get to the men who really need it.
 Brunettes are said to be now the favorite style in England. Perhaps for the reason that just now femininity over there is anything but a light affair.
 West Point is said to be in need of 200 empty major generals. And the supply of the boyhood of the country ought to be superabundantly equal to the demand.
 Miss Anglin says her husband is a poor actor, but a good sweetheart, which must be consoling, as so many husbands are good actors, but poor sweethearts.

A Los Angeles woman is suing for divorce because her husband eats with his knife. We felt sure trouble would follow when Lulu Bertbank invented these square spring pens.
 The Cincinnati judge who sentenced two scolding women to keep silence for two minutes just flouted the federal constitution. All cruel and unusual punishments are prohibited.
 Elmer Sperry, inventor of the newest aeroplane stabilizer, is another American to win fame in aeroplane improvements. But he had to go to Paris to get the fame and substantial recognition.
 Lord Saye and Sele, in the house of lords the other day, repudiated the idea "that the possession of an illustrious ancestry debars a man from earning an honest living in trade or otherwise." It doesn't debar him, but it often embarrasses him considerably.

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Bonds of Cities..... 4,144,715.00	(Including interest at 4 per ct.)
Railroad Mortgage Bonds..... 2,486,800.00	Other Liabilities..... 99,741.17
U. S. Bonds and Bonds of States..... 888,000.00	Surplus (market value)..... 1,627,362.59
County Bonds..... 607,550.00	
Town and Village Bonds..... 80,450.00	
Interest Accrued..... 485,010.87	
Real Estate..... 77,990.98	
Cash in Banks and Trust Co's.... 707,411.62	
Cash on Hand..... 225,015.78	
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