SEEING IS PELIEVING.

ACCOUNT OF AVINTERVIEW WITH LOUISE LATEAU OM SEPT 93, 1878, BY FATHER BANCKEART, S. J.

[From Catholic Progress.]

On Friday, Sept, 20th, having received Communion, I arrived at her small cottage about seven o'clock. A great many people were present. Lousie was lying on her bed and just like one dead; not the slightest movement was to be seen. When I began to say the prayers her whole manner and her breathing indicated in a way that I have never seen equalled her profound adoration. During the thanksgiving the people were allowed to approach and examine the wounds of the hands. send you a small piece of linen stained with the blood. I am quite convinced she does not know anything about what happens in the room. The people are sent out of the room before the end of the thanksgiving, and the sisters of Louise remains alone with her. I obtained the favor to see Louise again in the morning at about half-past ten, and went to her with the parish priest. Such a favor is hardly ever granted. She was suffering very much. I asked some questions; she answered with great simplicity and humility. I commended myself and you and your friends to her prayers. I was very much taken aback by her adding each time that she promised me to pray, "pray for me." In the afternoon I was by a new favor permitted to remain the whole hour from 2 p.m. The spectacle was most remarkable, and I am unable to give any adequate description. A relic of the true Cross was presented to her, and Louise, without seeing what it was, rose without any sup-port, and remained in a posture of adoration until the relic was taken away. Prayers in Latin were said, and upon her face were expression the feelings of those different prayers.

At three o'clock her head fell upon her shoulder, and the arms were extended in the form of a Then every one was sent out of the house, but I obtained a third favor to remain and see the end of the ecstatic state. When she had been for a few minutes in the last position she got up all at once like a person who awakes from a heavy sleep; she rubbed her eyes and seemed very tired. She looked at me, recognized me, and then I asked the three following questions: "Did you see our Lord?" "Did you see our Lady?" "Did you suffer much?" Each time she answered with very much simplicity, "Yes." She has now abstained for six years from all food or drink. She

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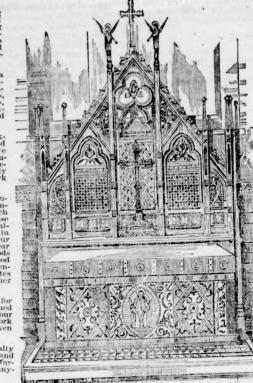
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