



Wherefore the Eucharist.

In the present number of the SENTINEL appears the first of a series of adorations on the Reasons of the Eucharist translated from the noted book on the same subject by Rev. Father Tesnière, a member of the Congregation of the Most Holy Sacrament.

I. ADORATION.

RECOGNIZE and adore with all the might of your faith our Lord Jesus Christ, God and Man, really present in the Holy Sacrament. After having greeted Him with profound respect, as did the shepherds and the magi in the stable of Bethlehem, prepare to conceive and be deeply convinced of this capital truth, namely: that the Eucharist has been instituted to continue and extend the great benefit of the coming of God on earth. You know and profess the mystery of the Incarnation in which the Word, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, the only Son of God took the nature of man, without ceasing to be God and began to dwell among us, like unto one of us.

By virtue of this fact, God Himself, God in Person dwelt bodily on earth. He ceased to be invisible and unapproachable. He was seen as Jesus, was approached, was spoken to, was touched as Jesus; for Jesus, however really man, was also really God.

Up to that time God was only to be seen in such imperfect images of Himself as inanimate creatures and reasonable beings. But as Jesus, he was seen in his real-