

a great crucifix and, before he extinguished the lights, Bernard knelt a moment in front of it.

"Lord, I am not worthy," he said, "I am not worthy." A memory came to him. "Rosa Mystica ora pro me," he whispered.

Close to the chief entrance was the chapel door. This Bernard locked and hid the key, then, sword in hand, he stationed himself against it.

Bernard sank slowly to the ground, his back still against the door of the chapel. Though he was enduring pain greater than any he had believed possible, his mind was intensely clear and alert.

A NON-CATHOLIC THRILL

The Catholic News found an article recently in which it tells that a leading non-Catholic journalist, Frederick C. Spurr, contributes both to the British Weekly and the Christian World his impressions of a visit to Cologne.

"power," in the political sense, but a deepening of the spiritual life of her own people and the winning of more and more of those outside the fold to the one faith.

THE STORY OF CHRIST

BY GIOVANNI PAPINI
PAPINI'S PRAYER TO CHRIST
TRANSLATED BY VERONICA DWIGHT

The bestial love of every man for himself, of every class for itself, of every people for itself alone, is even more blind and gigantic after the years wherein hate covered the earth with fire, with smoke, with trenches and with bones.

Everywhere a chaos in commotion, a murmur without hope, a swarm that makes the foul air stink, a restlessness discontented with everything and above all, with its own discontent.

For four whole years the world has been stained with blood in order to decide who shall have the largest flower garden, the greatest zoo. The servants of Mammon have chased Caliban through interminable opposing trenches to enrich themselves and impoverish the enemy.

In this foul filth all faiths perish and wither away. The world practices but one religion, that which recognizes the most high trinity of Wotan, Mammon, and Priapus.

There are no longer monarchies nor republics. Every order is but glitter and imitation. Plutocracy and Demagoguery, sisters in spirit and in aim, fight for domination over the seditious orders which are ill-served by salaried Mediocrity.

deserves either to be punished by a deluge of fire, or saved by Thine intercession. Alone Thy Church, the Church founded by Thee on the Rock of Peter, the only one that deserves the name of Church, the unique and universal Church which speaks from Rome with the infallible word of Thy Vicar, emerges once more, strengthened by assaults, made greater by schisms, rejuvenated by the ages, from the furious and muddy sea of the world.

Thou didst say once: "If one is alone, I am with him. Roll back the stone and thou wilt find me there." Cut into the wood and here am I!

More than once Thou didst appear to the living after the Resurrection. To them that believed that they hated Thee, to them that would have loved Thee even hadst Thou not been the Son of God, Thou hast shown Thy face, and hast spoken with Thy voice.

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AMERICANS AT DUBLIN HORSE SHOW
Dublin, Ireland.—Many American visitors have flocked into Dublin for the great Dublin Horse Show.

constituted authority in the Church, have a faith that is rapidly dying and that needs a miracle to save and restore it. Men live and men die, but the Church remains. You cannot sever faith from the Church.

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A LESSON FOR CATHOLICS

A trolley car is a good place in which to study men. The other day a young fellow, dressed in the latest fashion and fitted out in the latest tonorial style, with sideboard trimmings, next to a middle-aged working man on a trolley car in Washington.

The incident cited tells its own story. It reminded us of another incident which had been told to us a few days before.

There was a traveling salesman who had been selling goods for his firm in the South for many years. His name was not a typically Catholic one and he had never discussed religion with any of his customers.

After the merchant had gone over the short, but respectable, list of Catholics, the salesman said: "Mr. So and So, you have known me a long time. I want you to tell me what you think of me."

THE TRAVELING SALESMAN
The traveling salesman still counts the merchant among his best customers. No more anti-Catholic lecturers are invited to the merchant's town. The salesman knows that besides selling his employer's goods he has planted the seeds of good-will in a town that was ready to receive the seeds of bigotry.

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The famous Irish outside cars have been a vanishing curiosity in latter years, but the show has tried to give them new life.

SAVES CATHOLIC PAPER

Paris, France.—About one month ago the Courier du Pas-de-Calais, a Catholic paper published in Arras, found itself in serious financial straits as a result of the increased cost of labor and paper.

Although the population to which he addressed his appeal was not rich, every heart was touched. Abbe Laroche writes as follows of the result of his energetic action:

Only a few of them," replied the merchant. "Are they pretty decent fellows or are they a worthless lot?"

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