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A BIT OF ROME

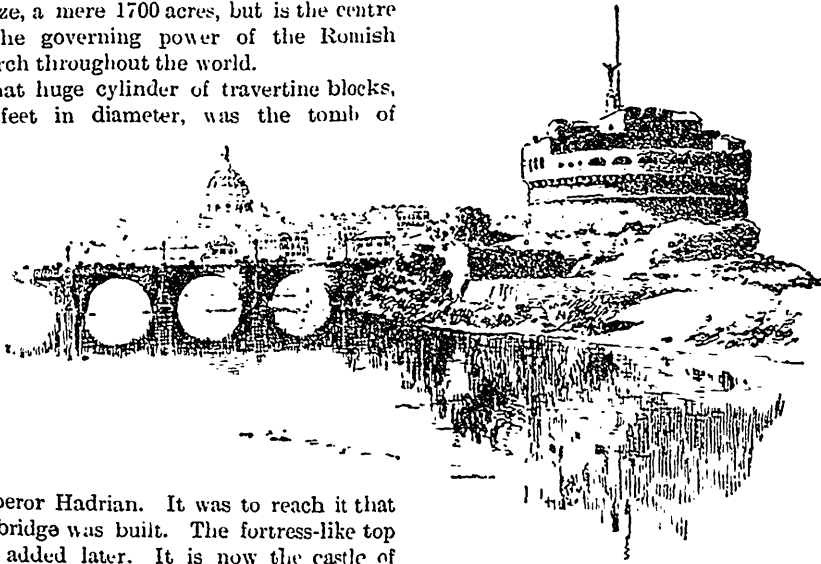
The bridge was built not so long—only about 80 years—after Paul first came to Rome, and so solidly, that it still stands and carries its heavy traffic day by day. Its interest now is chiefly in this, that it leads from the Rome of the King of Italy, to the Rome of the Pope, which latter is no great kingdom in size, a mere 1700 acres, but is the centre of the governing power of the Romish Church throughout the world.

That huge cylinder of travertine blocks, 240 feet in diameter, was the tomb of

Amongst its famous statues is the Apollo Belvidere, of which Byron sings:

“Which, if made
By human hands, is not of human thought.”

Its most famous painting—perhaps the most marvellous canvass the world possesses—is Raphael's Transfiguration.



The Tiber and Castle Angelo - Illustrative Notes

Emperor Hadrian. It was to reach it that the bridge was built. The fortress-like top was added later. It is now the castle of the Saint Angelo (The Holy Angel) and is guarded by Italian troops. Whoever holds it, holds Rome.

The great squares and oblongs in the distance make up the Vatican, the largest, and one of the most splendid palaces in the world. It contains 11,000 rooms, and in its library and museums are some of the rarest of manuscripts, pictures and statues.

The huge dome which dominates the massive piles about it—and for that matter, the whole city—is that of St. Peter's. The tallest British Columbia pine could swing easily beneath its swelling splendor. The vastness of the great audience room of St. Peter's, as one pushes aside the heavy leathern curtain which fills the doorway and passes