house in search of a lost groat and repairing an old garment. Most of all, when He praised the widow who gave a mite, not out of her abundance, but out of her poverty, was He not recalling many incidents in the life of His holy Mother?—Her whole life was an exercise of the love of God and even when sleep weighed down her eyelids, her pure heart was in adoration before the Eternal, who, as her Son, dwelt in the cottage of Nazareth.

REFLECTIONS.

He who is most resigned is most perfect, because true resignation contains perfect charity.

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Do you know how the feast of the cross is celebrated spiritually? By suffering in silence, without relying on any creature.

SAINT PAUL OF THE CROSS.

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They who possess the power and the right to judge should temper their judgment with mercy, as they would have Our Lord be merciful to them.

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Man has but one way of glorifying himself, that is, by returning God the glory which comes from Him, serving Him faithfully and acknowledging all He has done for us.

Saint Francis of Assisi.

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In order to find peace and rest in God, we must exercise ourselves in two things: deep humility and firm hope. When humility and hope are united, hope supports humility and humility chastens hope. If we have hope, humility can never east us down too low, and hope can never become presumptuous, if we are truly humble.

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