

“ Read me the Sacred Passion of my Lord,”
 Ever I love it most,
 I bow before Thy bleeding form adored,
 My Saviour, and my Host.

“ ANELEH.”

Alameda-California.

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA.

PATRONESS OF THE ADORERS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD.

“ In the Blood you find the fire.”

ST. CATH. OF SIENA

(*Continuation.*)

Finally, all the Cardinals present at Rome addressed a collective letter to the cardinals residing at Avignon : “ Freely, and in common accord, said they, we have united our suffrages upon the person of the venerable Father in Christ, Bartholomew, Archbishop of Bari, a prelate of eminent merits, whose virtue shines like the lamp of the sanctuary.

In fact, Urban VI was a man of great science and of still greater austerity. He held in horror pride, ostentation and simony. Much zeal was expected on his part for the reform of the Church. But, unfortunately, he wrongfully undertook that work so holy, so necessary, with too great severity.

On the very day of his coronation, at the end of solemn vespers, he publicly rebuked the Bishops present and treated them as perjurers, because they had deserted their churches to dwell at court.

No one dared to respond, except the bishop of Pampluna, a learned canon and doctor emeritus.

This Catalan haughtily replied : “ I am in no way a perjurer. In placing myself at court, I have not had my personal interest in view, but the public interest, and I am ready to return to my diocese.”

The cardinal of Amiens had come to pay his respects