

"The Eastern Church," says Milman, "was almost governed from the solitary cell of Chrysostom." But his life-journey was well-nigh ended. While the guards urged their frail prisoner forward, his powers completely failed at the village of Comana, in Pontus. Putting on his white priestly robe, the dying man



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bishop of Chalcedon, while sitting at the Council which condemned his superior, received an injury which caused the loss of both his legs, and a lingering and painful death. Another member of that body lost his reason, and imagined himself haunted, like Orestes, by avenging furies. Then another lost the use of his tongue with which he had condemned the apostolic bishop, and a fourth the use of the hand with which he wrote his sentence. So history records the vengeance of heaven against the enemies of the righteous.