

which He gained over death. Comparing his vision with the priests' interpretations Constantine was persuaded that it was a divine revelation, and he therefore resolved to seek divine knowledge, and worship one God only.

The Cross the Symbol of Victory.

And now the cross becomes the emperor's symbol of victory, the sacred sign in which alone man must triumph. Under its protection the emperor went forth to conquer the tyrant Maxentius:—

And making God his defender and Christ his helper, he prayed unto them for their assistance, and so marched forward with his army, bearing the sign of the cross in his colors, intending to regain unto the Romans their ancient liberty. But Maxentius, trusting more to his conjurations than to the good will of his subjects, durst not sally out of the gates of the city, and had fortified all his cities and territories with garrisons of soldiers and military legions. The Emperor Constantine, trusting only in God, set upon the tyrant's first, second, and third armies, and having overthrown them at the first encounter, he marched up through all Italy, and at last brought his victorious army to the walls of Rome.

The Battle of Milvian Bridge.

Eusebius gives us a graphic account of the final scene in the downfall of the tyrant Maxentius, at the Milvian Bridge:—

Lest while he (Constantine) besieged the tyrant, he should besiege the Romans also, God, as it were with certain links of Divine Providence, drew forth the tyrant without the walls of the city, and confirmed His former wonderful works. . . . For as in the days of Moses, He overthrew Pharaoh and his host, and drowned him and his bands of chosen horsemen in the Red Sea, so both Maxentius and his chief soldiers fell headlong into the Tiber. For when the tyrant fled from Constantine, and thought to have passed over the river on an artificial bridge made of boats, and built to betray Constantine, God turned the plot by a sudden catastrophe, for Maxentius and his army took the bridge, and presently it fell asunder and straightway the men and boats sank down into the sea, he himself fell, and all his chiefs afterwards plunged like stones into the water, to find out an untimely death in that element, so that Constantine and his army, having by God's assistance gained the victory, sang a psalm of joy.

The Abbot of Fort Augustus

The newly elected Abbot of Fort Augustus, the Right Rev. Dom Oswald, O.S.B. (Sir David Hunter Blair, Bt.), was solemnly enthroned on April 9 in the Abbey Church, Fort Augustus, in presence of a large congregation. The Bishop of Argyll and the Isles officiated, assisted by the Abbot-President of the English Benedictines (Dr. Gasquet) and the Abbot of Ampleforth. After the ceremony the Abbot and community entertained 60 guests to dinner in the refectory of the Abbey, among them being, besides the prelates and many canons and other clergy, Lord Lovat, Mr. Hay of Seaton, Mr. Edmonstone-Cranstoun of Corehouse, Colonel McDonald, D.S.O., and Colonel Angus.

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