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Lomenzo Made Knight of Malta

New York Secretary of State John P. Lomenzo of Rochester was installed as a Knight of Malta during a ceremony in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Monday, Jan. 13.

The papal honor was be stowed upon Lomenzo for his distinguished civic service and qualities exemplifying an outstanding Catholic layman.

Archbishop Terence J. Cooke of New York presided during the induction_ceremony.

Lomenzo is a member of the board of trustees of the Catho lic Youth Organization and is a recipient of the Mother Cabrini Award from the American

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verse of light and the world of Space as "the Prince of this world"? Were the slow planetary developments, geological periods, the vanishing of pre-historic animals all involved in this "chaos and void"? Karl Vogt, the geologist, believed so: "No boasting about faith or pious breakneck leaps will help you to get over this stone which lies in your. Garden. Death has existed from the very beginning, and be it said. in its cruelest forms. Generally speaking, scarcely any more dreadful torments have been invented by perverted human ingenuity, than those by which nature destroys its creatures."

What happoned between verse 1 and 2 in Genesis? Was the chaos and void due to the fall of the angels? We do not know, but we do know that a few drops of poison dropped in a well spoils the well, so there has been a repercussion, an echo, a reverberation of evil somewhere in the cosmos. Is there, in Creation, a discreative demonic' element, so 'much so that "the whole created universe groans in all its parts" (Rom. 8/22) awaiting Redemption?

Are the grotesque demons that peer out of every doorway and arch of Notre Dame Cathedral the symbolic expression of the conflict of the Holy and the Adversary, even in the House of God? In passing, it is worth noting the fascination the Devil has for our day. Observe the number of plays, novels and graffiti which make him a kind of hero. In previous ages of faith, the Devil made us believe that he did not exist. Today, though, we deny his existence; some even deny angels, whether good or bad. This negation makes the devil more popular than ever. We can play with him as a myth, while he works as a reality. That is why Roualt portrays Satan even in a Crucifixion and the poet, Yeats, looks forward to the awful day when the new beast will be born in Bethlehem to do his final evil:

"Surely some revelation is at hand:

.... Somewhere in the sands of the desert A shape with lion body and the head of a man.

A gaze blank and pitiless as the sun, In moving its slow thighs, while all about it Reel shadows of the indignant desert birds. The darkness drops again; but now I know That twenty centuries of stony sleep Were vexed to nightmare by a rocking cradle, And what rough beast, its hour come round

at last Slouches toward Bethlehem to be born".

C. S. Lewis's "Screwtape Letters" and Denis de Rougemont's "The Devil's Share" are other literary expressions of an Adversary that opposes the Divine in the modern world and could have disturbed the original beauty of creation, With Adam evil begins with a human will, but cosmic evil may have begun with a rebellious angelic will. Even the beginning of the Public Life of Our Lord with His encounter with Satan, matches the beginning of the cosmos - the conflict with the Chaos-Maker or the "spiritual hosts of wickednessin the heavenly places" (Eph. 6/12),

In the next article we will show how Christ in His earthly Life began to bring both man and the cosmos, through man, back to the Original Plan.

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