

never were able to secure any support from their superiors in opposition to ~~them~~^{him}. Sermons were preached against him and very strong attacks were made on him. ~~It~~ ~~was very hard to~~ He was very careful to keep out of trouble with those who had trouble to hurt him. He would sometimes say things which most people would not dare to say because of the great influence which he had with a great number of powerful friends. This dialogue which he called "Julius Excluded" ~~described~~ was written right after the death of Pope Julius II and describes Julius discussion with St. Peter and tells how ~~thxx~~ Julius wanted to go into heaven and St. Peter wouldn't let him and Julius threatens to excommunicate him if he doesn't let him in. Just to read a few words of it. He threatens to ~~excommunicate~~ excommunicate Peter. Peter says, "Do your worst. Curses won't serve your term here. Excommunicate me by ~~thxx~~ what right I would know." Julius says, "With the best of right. You are only a priest and perhaps not that. You cannot consecrate. ~~Open~~ Open, I say. " Peter says, "You must show your merit first. No admission without merit." Julius: What do you mean without merit. Peter: have you taught true doctrine? Julius: Not I. I have been too busy fighting. There are monks to look after doctrine if that is of any consequences. Peter: Have you gained souls to Christ by ~~maximex~~ pious example? Julius: I have sent a good many to Targarith. Peter: Have you worked any miracles? Julius: Miracles are out of date. Peter: ~~th~~ Have you been diligent in your prayers? Then a familiar spirit says on the side, You ~~xxx~~ waste your birth. These are the qualities which make a respectable pope. If he has others, let him produce them. Julius says, The invincible Julius ought not to answer a beggarly fisherman. However, you shall know what I am. First I am a luxurian and not a Jew like you. My mother was the sister of the great Pope Sextus IV. The pope made me a rich man out of great poverty. I became a cardinal. I had my misfortunes. I had the French. I was banished, hunted out of my country, but I knew all along that I would come to hurt myself in the end. You were frightened by a girl's voice. A gypsy girl told me that I should wear a crown and be king of kings and lord of lords. ~~thxx~~ It came true partly with French help, partly with