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"Lord take from me all that keepeth me from Thee,  
Lord, give me all that helpeth me to Thee,  
Lord, take me from myself  
And grant me to belong alone to Thee."

*"B. Nicholas von der Flue.*

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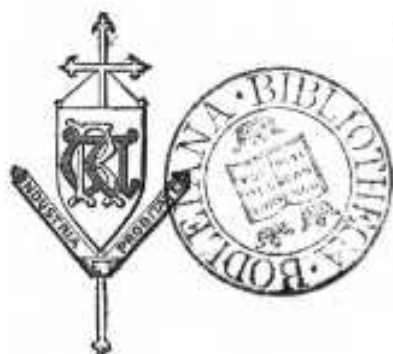
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The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry, no matter how small, should be recorded to ensure the integrity of the financial data. This includes not only sales and purchases but also expenses and income.

The second part of the document provides a detailed breakdown of the company's financial performance over the last quarter. It includes a comparison of actual results against budgeted figures, highlighting areas of both strength and weakness. The analysis shows that while sales have exceeded expectations, operating expenses have also increased significantly.

The third part of the document outlines the company's strategic goals for the upcoming year. It focuses on improving operational efficiency, reducing costs, and expanding market reach. Key initiatives include investing in new technology, streamlining processes, and exploring new product lines.

The fourth part of the document discusses the company's commitment to social responsibility and environmental sustainability. It details the various programs and initiatives in place to reduce the company's carbon footprint, support local communities, and ensure ethical sourcing of materials.

The fifth and final part of the document provides a summary of the company's overall financial health and outlook. It concludes that despite the challenges faced in the current market, the company remains well-positioned for long-term success through its strategic focus and commitment to excellence.



## TRANSLATOR'S PREFACE

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THE following pages are fairly and truly what they profess to be—a faithful portrait of a noble and unselfish soul, who passed her whole life in works of charity, and who did her very best to fulfil the precept enjoining us to love the Lord our God with our whole hearts, and our neighbour as ourselves, for His sake. This translation was undertaken in consequence of a very favourable review of the German original, which appeared last November in our principal Catholic newspaper, and which represented the work as useful and edifying, and said that a translation of it into English would be acceptable. The author of the book was a Protestant—she is mentioned towards the latter part of the work, under the name of Antonie. She performed her task of biographer most conscientiously.

tiously, and had decided Catholic tendencies. This will not occasion much surprise to those of her English readers, who, from a long residence in Germany, may have had cause to observe what a general movement towards the Catholic Church there is among the most pious and thoughtful Lutherans, and which will assuredly bring about the happy return of millions to the true fold, when better days shall usher in the Church's triumph. The reader of the following pages is requested to bear in mind the fact, that, during the lifetime of our heroine, religion in Germany was only beginning to recover from the baneful consequences of the first French revolution, and from the oppression the Church underwent at the hands of the secular powers. Even yet the traces of that influence appear in the schism of the so-called "Old Catholics." Gretchen's ignorance of many points which are perfectly well understood by the children of our own poor schools, can only be traced to this cause, and the reader will be interested to see in it a proof, how much good the light and grace of the recent Ecumenical Council will produce among the excellent and pious German Catholics.

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