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"They fight for conquest, for plunder, and extended rule; we for our country, our altars, and our homes. They follow an adventurer whom they fear, and obey a power which they hate; we serve a Monarch whom we love, a God whom we adore. Whene'er they move in anger, desolation tracks their progress; where'er they pause in amity, affliction mourns their friendship. They boast they come but to improve our state, enlarge our thoughts, and free us from the yoke of error". Yes, they will give enlightened freedom to our minds who are ~~the~~ slaves of passion, avarice, and pride! They offer us their protection. Yes, such protection as vultures give to lambs—covering and devouring them! They call on us to barter all of good we have inherited and proved, for the desperate chance of something better which they promise. Be our plain answer this: The throne we honour is the people's choice; the laws we reverence are our brave fathers' legacy; the faith we follow teaches us to live in bonds of charity with all mankind, and die with hopes of bliss beyond the grave. Tell your invaders this; and tell them, too, we seek no change, and least of all such change as they would bring us."

KORZANUS.

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## DEDICATION

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TO THE MOST HONOURABLE

ROBERT ARTHUR TALBOT GASCOYNE-CECIL,

MARQUIS OF SALISBURY, KG. PC. FRs. DCL. &c. &c.

Among the facts of later history with which your Lordship, as well as every intelligent observer of what is passing on the European Continent is tolerably familiar, this occurred: that Mauro Capellari, called "Gregory XVI," a man of some virtues and of an easy disposition, who, however, had been led by education to regard favourably the Society of Jesuits, and to give it that marked encouragement which several of his immediate predecessors had felt it prudent to withhold—that this same Capellari, afterwards concerned as well as alarmed at witnessing the wide-spread action and political intrigues which followed that encouragement, made it towards the close of his pontificate a subject of bitter regret. In vain did the Vicar of Christ seek solace in the pleasures of the table (to which, like many of his order, he was greedily addicted) and the jovial companionship of his barber Gaetanino, or strive to banish thought while beguiling his moments of leisure by the prurient pages of his favourite Kock—*it mio caro Paulo Kocko*, as he was wont to speak of him. He had lent himself to the vile acts and the sanguinary policy of "the ferocious Bernetti"; he had sanctioned the enrolment of the *Zamboniani*, "a set of men chosen from the very off-scouring of the populace, the greater part of them the refuse of the dungeons and galleys", (not the least serviceable among the papal garrison in every country where it obtains a footing,) "to watch over the citizens and learn their private sentiments;"\* he had crushed his Bolognese subjects deeper than before in slavery and degradation; he had accepted the counsels of Lambruschini, a creature of the Jesuits, and a fit instrument of their worst designs, who duly prepared the way at a later period for the still less scrupulous Antonelli; he had, at Jesuit instigation, solemnly beatified LUIGI (May 26th, 1839); had pronounced that in his whole works there was not "one word worthy of censure", and had drafted

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\* "The Four Last Popes." By Alessandro Gavazzi. Fartridge, and Co., p. 201.