

money which I borrowed with interest, partly with promises. Chrisus couldn't have produced all the money that was wanted. The bankers would tell you about that, but I succeeded. I arose to the top and I have done more for the church in Christ than any pope before me." Then he goes on telling what he has done all the places he has conquered and tells how he didn't particularly approve of that sort of thing. After he tells how he conquered Bologne, Peter says, "Tell me ~~xxx~~ had Bologne fallen from the faith that you annexed it to the holy seize." Julius: God forbid! Not a heretic in the whole place. Peter: Bendevo! was perhaps a bad ruler and the state was in disorder. Julius: On the contrary it was flourishing in the highest degree. That was why I wanted to have it. Peter: I understand. The usurper had no right to be there. Julius: Not at all. He had succeeded to the government by former arrangement. Peter: Then the people did not like him? Julius: They liked him. They hated me. Peter: Why did you take the city then? Julius: Because I wanted the revenue for my own treasury and because that city was otherwise convenient for me. So I used my thunderbolts. The French helped me and now the city is mine. Every farthing of the taxes goes to Rome for the church's use. If you had only seen my ~~plan~~ <sup>triumphal</sup> for entry. The church was ~~xxx~~ <sup>18-12 1/2 (over wt)</sup> with a witness." You can imagine why Erasmus preferred to have this published around. It was widely distributed and widely read and you can also see why some of the Monks said that Erasmus laid the egg and Luther hatched it.

Now Erasmus did not merely write the attacks like this. He devoted himself as I mentioned a great deal to studying old manuscripts and comparing them and trying to bring out accurate texts. One of the great things that he did was to publish <sup>an</sup> ~~an~~ <sup>ed</sup> addition to the Greek New Testament. He spent a great deal of time in comparing the manuscripts which he could get his hands on and he published a Greek New Testament which spread ~~xxx~~ a tremendous influence all over Europe. Not only the book itself but the notations which he made in connection with it, <sup>because</sup> ~~He~~