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THE WOUNDS IN THE FEET OF THE MAN OF THE SHROUD

Abstract

The "Holy Nail" kept in the Cathedral of Milan would be used to fix the feet of the Man on the Shroud to the stipes.

The nail is 24 cm long. On its tip there are two rings, a fixed one and a mobile one. The stipes would have had holes which made it possible to pass the nail to various heights. The feet pierced and lying one on top of the other would have been fixed to the stipes by the thin plate in the shape of a circle tied to the rings of the nail behind the stipes.

According to the author of this report the iron plate which hold the feet of the Man on the Shroud would be the one contained in the "Iron Crown" currently held in the Basilica of St. John at Monza.

The comparison between the direct light photographs and the transmitted light photographs taken by Barrie Schwortz, made it possible to state that the nail holes would be in the first intermetatarsal space immediately under the transverse ligament of the metatarsus. It is very interesting to notice that only in the first intermetatarsal space the nail wouldn't have caused bone fractures, in accordance with the Holy Scriptures.