

## Ordo Draconis

# "The Rite Of Catherina De Medicis"

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STRUCK by a disease no doctor could identify  
Nor explain the horrible symptoms.  
King Charles IX was in a dying condition:  
He was rapidly fading away  
Leaving on the bed nothing more than a mere  
reflection  
Of his former self.

The queen mother, who ruled him totally  
And was likely to lose all her power  
Under another government, was therefore forced to  
act,  
After the king's astrologers proved themselves  
useless.  
She would consult the oracle of La Tete Sanglante  
And invoke the infernal spirit herself.

The queen mother and her servant  
Now took a child, pure of heart and morals,  
And prepared him for his first communion.  
When the child was prepared after some days,  
He was guided into the room of the I'll king  
By the queen mother and her accomplices.

The queen mother, her main servant and a Jacobin  
monk  
Strangled the child after he received his communion  
On the steps of the altar.  
The head, severed from the body by a single strike,  
Was then placed on a large plate and brought near the  
king.

From there on the conjuration began, and the infernal  
spirit  
Was now able to speak through the mouth of the  
beheaded child  
On the questions that were asked he replied "Vim  
patior -  
I'm being forced - vim patior."

The king's face turned white and his blood ran cold.  
He understood clearly what he was told.

He was not under the protection any more  
Of the powers he repeatedly summoned.  
Paralysed by fear he lay on the bed,

As his last words were 'remove the head'  
And he said nothing else until his last breath  
And without any hope he awaited his death.

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