

this text ; yet, if we go to the Fathers and writers of the church we find that they interpret it in the same way as we do. St. Jerome did this, so did Pope Gregory. Christ carried out His promise, even though Peter denied Him three times ; after the resurrection Jesus appeared to Peter and again communicated to him full authority to be shepherd of His flock. So that even apart from any question of tradition or history we must admit that some superior authority was given to Peter. The evidence shows, moreover, that it was conferred upon Peter alone. Having received his authority, Peter exercised it. He did it in the choice of a successor to Judas, at the first council of Jerusalem, and on many other occasions down to the day of his death in the year 67. There have been objections brought against the Pope's authority, some from Scriptures, other from the moral conduct of the Popes. I shall say, in general, that many of these objections are frivolous and none of them are so formidable as not to have been satisfactorily answered.



TRAINING THE CHILD

THE spirit of order must reign in a home before children can acquire it, and no one can accomplish more than a mother. Providing she comes in time she will win. But if she waits until her family is almost grown up the task will be far more difficult. Even then it is not impossible. As soon as the children are old enough to learn anything teach them to put their playthings in their places. Make them feel ashamed of leaving things for their mother to pick up. Perhaps they may be heedless or forgetful. Do not expect to succeed the first time. Perseverance will conquer in the end. Make this a rule with the older folks as well as the little folks.

