

*Memories of Mother Teresa Hagan.*

interpretation of life; on the beauty and loftiness of her educational ideals and the steadfastness, nay, the indomitableness of the spirit in which she strove for them one can not fail to be convinced that these are, indeed, things of great price to whose conservation intelligent effort may not well be better applied.

One thinks here of the ardent love, the fiery zeal with which St. Clare received the legacy left her by the gentle St. Francis of Assisi: the Franciscan spirit which in dying he had willed her. The heritage she thus fell into actually gave her new lease of life; and from invalidism she rose to a purposefulness which carried her through a quarter of a century of active persistence till that spirit of St. Francis was legally incorporated into her own rule and way of life.

Nor may one, perhaps, more appropriately close this rude limning of a great character than with the hope that Mother Teresa's educational concepts suffer not interruption: that those who with her saw the gleam will follow the shining howsoever far and faint it may at times appear, or howsoever long and rugged the path prove to be.