

CHILDREN'S CORNER

WHO KILLS THE BIRDS?

Who kills the birds? "I," said the woman, "although 'tis I, who sees them die." "I," said the man, "whenever I can, for my sport they must die."

A LAUGHING CHORUS

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Mother of Mercy

"It is beautiful," said the traveler to himself, "grandly beautiful, but I wish I could feel sure I was on the right track."

to go and see, even if abandoned it would do to sleep in better than the open air, for the mountain wind was keen.

As he drew near he remembered the story of the man-madman they had said would it not be better to stay where he was than to risk an encounter with such a one?

And so every time the sick man awoke the same patient figure was there, the same warm, human hand clasped his, cold and damp, the same voice whispered words of comfort and peace.

The weary mind still wandered, but that dark scene troubled him no more. Now he was an innocent child learning at his mother's knee the love of Mary Immaculate, and anon he was speaking to old friends, old companions of his college days, and when he faltered the priest knew that some memory arose of the one who, even then, had led him astray, but after awhile all these passed, and the only words on his lips were those of his daily prayer.

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THE ART OF CONVERSATION.

Talking is not ceasing by any means; but it does seem that the art of conversation is rapidly becoming a lost art. It is true that, especially among the younger people, there is still a great deal of parlor talk, the kind of talk that is about everything in general and nothing in particular, and that for the most part is made up of criticisms of other people, or of questions that are never to be answered.

THE RETURNED WANDERERS

And here he stood at last—there she. A calm, cool, slim little creature, with her face turned only far enough toward him that he could see the half smile parting her lips. He had forgotten her power in his own mad rush of longing. Standing thus he knew that she had but to say the world, and deliver her message and the knowledge it had brought him of her heart unguarded, he would go forth again—a wanderer and an outcast.

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"No, no," broke in the man; "I am used to these attacks, and have all I want at hand, and I'll not want much more, my time's come sure enough. Yes, Father, I've great need of you—ah, heavy load to lift off my soul before it goes to meet its Judge.

"No use," said he, "I'll just have to keep on a bit until I find a more level bit of ground and camp for the night." So he plodded in the gathering dusk, leading the tired horse, the track growing rougher and rougher at every step, though it seemed on more level ground, and no yawning abyss lay on his right hand. There was a sound now of rushing water, so he halted, it would be folly to go on in the dark, but, if he remembered rightly, the moon would soon rise, and he would then find a place to camp.

Now, Father, let me sleep awhile, but do not go away, I feel safer with you near me, and murmuring still his prayer he fell asleep, a short, uneasy slumber. The words that fell from his lips from time to time, showed how the mind strayed still through the weary, silent past.

"Too near, too near! How could I know?" I only meant to push him from me; he was my evil genius; he made me what I was, thief and forger; why did he raise me to anger on that awful track? Why make me murderer also? And, with a shriek, he rose, but meeting the compassionate gaze of the priest, fell feebly back, and putting out his wasted hand took the other's and held it so until the end.

What a long, weary night and the watcher was spent with journey and watching, but how true a word to the effect that he had used in his last moments.

I. C. B. U.

The regular meeting of Branch No. 1, I. C. B. U., held in their hall corner King and Jarvis streets, on Tuesday, the 15th inst., was a record-breaker in point of attendance. When the President called the meeting to order nearly every seat in the hall was occupied, and later when visiting brothers from Branches 2 and 12 arrived, chairs from the gymnasium had to be pressed into service to accommodate the large number present.

Higher in the clear sky arose the moon, flooding all with her gentle light. Peace on the mountain-tops crowned with silver snow, in the valleys whence the light mist rose! But what was the peace of innocent nature to that of the soul that had laid down its burdens at the foot of the Cross, and had been washed in the Precious Blood?

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