pure daily bread, thereby keeping her from the contagion of the world and from that poisoned cup of vice of which alas! she has drunk so deeply, and teaching her to take all her affections from the world and fix them on Jesus Christ, and henceforward to lead a life of penance in atonement for the past.

Who will say there is a charity greater than this? No doubt, it is a repulsive work of charity; for a pure maiden grown up in the bosom of a pious family, innocent of sin, not knowing even what vice means, to have to approach the degraded creature who has lived in wickedness and shame for years, to hear the foul words she utters almost unconsciouly they have been her language for so long a time, words which sound like an unknown tongue in the ears of that innocent spouse of Christ, — to calm by her kind words and deeds, those passionate longings for liberty, that terrible disguised temptation, which haunts the penitent for years. What more revolting to a pure and innocent heart? But the love of Christ overcomes these natural feelings of aversion and the difficulty of the work is compensated for by the floods of heavenly joy with which Christ inundates the hearts of those who have consecrated themselves to this great work of charity.

Such a work of heroic devotedness is the sole End of the Institute of Our Lady of Charity, better known as The Sisters of the Good Shepherd.

This religious congregation was founded by the Venerable Father John Eudes, the Apostle of Normandy, in 1641.

A few words will not be out of place with regard to that wonderful man, who was the eldest of three brothers remarkable for their talents and virtue. He was born November 14th, 1601 of pious parents, in answer to a vow made to God if he would bless them with offspring, and was baptized by the name of John In his pure childhood, as in that of St. Francis de Sales and St. Jane Chantal, who lived in his time, were seen the germs of those virtues which were afterwards to make him so glorious in the sight of God and men.

He had but one desire, one steadfast purpose, to devote bimself