After All.

RY SUSAN COOLIDGE.

Grief is strong, but joy is stronger Night is long, but day is longer; When life's riddle solves and clears, And the angels in our ears

Whisper the sweet arswer low-Answer full of love and blessing-How the wonderment will grow At the blindness of our guessing All the hard things we recall Made so easy-after all !

Earth is sweet, but heaven is sweeter Love complete, but faith completer Close beside our wandering ways, Through dark nights and weary

Stand the angels with bright eyes; And the shadow of the cross Falls upon and sanctifies All our pain and all our loss;

Though we stumble, though we fall, God is belping-after all. Sigh, ther, soul, but sing in sighing To the happier things replying; Dry the tears that dim thy seeing Give glad thoughts for life and

Time is but the little entry To eternity's large dwelling. And the heavenly guards keep

sentry. Urging, guiding, half compelling, Till, the puzzling way quite past, Thou shall enter in at last. -Sacred Heart Review.

A Manila Convent's Dowry Fund.

September 8.)

A wedding was celebrated create a vibration in the social atpicturesque custom interwoven with the sheltering walls of home. beautiful traditions. The contracting parties were Don Sandalio Robles and Manuela Castro. The bride until her wedding day was a student in the Convent of Santa Isabel in

the walled city. The day after the wedding Archbishop Harty was astonished upon being asked to sign a large, impressive looking document conferring a dowry upon the happy pair. The astonishment of the Archbishop was soon changed as the history of the dowry was disclosed to him. His pressed his profound admiration and expressed his profound admiration of Santa Isabel by the Sisters in and approbation of a custom which had been observed with fidelity by the Convent of Santa Isabel for more than three centuries.

FOUNDED IN 1594. of girls at the convent gratis and after like treasure trove and that than the supply.

Since the foundation of the institution more than five hundred thousand dollars have been bestowed in dowries. It all the successful suitors who have become beneficiaries of this dowry fund could be gathered together they would find there Filipinos, Spaniards, Englishmen, Germans, Russians, Italians. Frenchmen, etc., and in a newly made row of front seats some cheerful Americans.

THE WCOER'S ORDEAL. To become a member of this as sembly the bachelor candidate must undergo a very searching ordeal. Bofore the portals of the convenare opened for his visits he mus have the indispensable "open sesame"-a good name. The mothers superior must be convinced that his character is true by proper intr ductions, references and the testimony of reliable people. After the suitor has undergone this prelimin ary examination with satisfaction the courtship proceeds under the vigilant eye of the Sisters. Visit are usually permitted on Thursday. and Sundays. When a sufficien number of Thursdays and Sunday, have passedaway and the woer has Anished his pleading the girl takethe case under advisement, and befere rendering a decision communicates in a formal letter to the Archbishop of Manils, if her decis ion is favorable, the name of the gentleman she wishes to wed. Another into the character of the suitor takes place before his Grace scoords permission. The girls are thus protected with parental schei-

worthless husbands. LIFE IN THE CONVENT

tude against men that would make

Many people have accepted Victor Hugo's Petit Piepus in "Les Miser, ables" as typical of convent life. The 1 fe in Sarta Isabel could no

An Ancient Foe To health and happiness is Scrofula-

as ugly as ever since time immemorial It causes bunches in the neck, disfigures the skin, inflames the mucous membrane, wastes the muscles, weakens the bones, reduces the power of resistance to disease and the capacity for recovery, and develops into con-

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form a stronger contrast. The tact,

solicitude and practical ability of the Sisters of Charity in characterbuilding need no encomiums. The Sisters of Charity have charge of Santa Isabel. The view of life they give the girls is through the clearest lens. They are not fed on illusions and utopian expectations, but are given a serene, practical and sensible standard. The atmosphere is not so ethereal that when they emerge from the convent the nether czone of this work-a-day world overpowers them. Many have entered Santa Isabel as small children and remain ed there until their wedding day. They knew no other home. They are reared in innocence without the blighting influences that "stamp wrinkles on the brow of youth." The convent is not to them a gloomy place, where "the dim religious light" casts a shadow upon all. (From the Manila Calilen News, On the contrary, they imbibe cheerfulness there, which they carry into their future worldly habitations, making them bright and sunny. Manila last week, which did not The four walls of the convent are not to them dismal and frowning mosphere, but which revealed a barriers shutting out the world, but

" WHO WILL BE NEXT?"

When love that laughs at the

most impregnable fortresses penetr-

ates the barriers of the convent and

makes a selection as was done last week the wedding day is bailed with rejoicing. "The world of happiness" which the wedding bells proclaim for the fortunate pair finds an echo in the hearts of all the students. There is a transformation in class room and study ball. The air is redolent of joy. It means a holiday for all. Last week a banquet was given the fifteen hundred students honor of the marriage of their companion, Manuela Castro, Similar feasts have been given for three centuries, at which in speech and song the bride has been wished When the convent was founded years of happiness. As the wedding in 1594 a pious fund was donated, of each of these dowried maidens the interest of which was devoted to signifies a holiday the paramount educating and maintaining a number question with the younger pupils is: Who will be next?" The art of giving each of them on her wedding love is not included in the curricul. day a dowry of five hundred dollars. um, but many have graduated in The custom has come down to us that subject and received as a dipvenerable with age, but as sturdy loma-a dowry. The curriculum and laudable today as the day upon is eminently practical. Besides the which the first blashing graduate of three Rs and the fine arts, house-Santa Isabel conferred upon her keeping, tailoring, embroidery in sighing swain, together with her silk and gold and dressmaking are hand and heart-a dowry. In those taught. The girls are made as famifar-off days five hundred dollars liar with the use of the broom and was "a good round sum." Many skillet as they are with the piano of these dowries have formed the and palette. Many of these downucleus of fortunes in the Phili- ried maidens who have gone forth pines. Among the traditions that and who now adorn homes in the cluster around the dowry fund, and Philipines recount among the most which the girls attending Santa vivid and delightful memories of Isabel never tire of relating is that their lives the time spent at Santa the girls of Santa Isabel were sought Isabel. The dowry fund has been increased from time to time through frequently the demand is greater the generous piety of the Catholics of the Philipines and gives no indi-

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cation of being exhausted. We are told there are beautiful maidens ready to confer the dowry upon good bachelors that can show cause. The question is: "Who will be

Forming Character.

As a sequel to "Talks with Pa. rents" we give below an instruction School. Few mothers may talk as she did; but all mothers, when guiding their children, may well keep in mind the truths which she so well

preserve in ourselves is the Catholic character-a character as distinct as it is beautiful, and which is entirely built upon the foundation of the Catholic faith. By this Catholic character, remember, I do not in the least mean the character of a recluse or a devotee. You see some of its very finest examples in the world and in those filling worldly positions. Take, for instance, Blessed Thomas More while he remained the Chancellor of the realm. Witness his loyalty to his sovereign, yet openly putting God first on all occasions his sterling integrity; his conscientious fulfilment of all the duties of God called him higher to be a confessor and martyr, he was so ready, so happy, to obey the call.
"This Christian character consists

to ourselves; (2) freedom from bu. ford. He also left only a daughter openly; (3) love of the poor, self- wife, Lady Victoria Howard); and habits. It is wonderful how large a share in the Christian character is the Hon Joseph Maxwell, one of owing to good habits. It is quite a distinctive feature, contrasting with added, as Mr Hope had done, the the fits and starts and whims and patronymic of the beiress to his moods--good moods and bad moods, pious moods and worldly moods-all things by turns and nothing for long, which we see in the unformed character. I mean good habits stuck to; morning and night pray- much of his literary ability; and ers; the regular frequentation of the she combines an enthusiastic in-Sacraments; the daily Mass. We terest in the history-especially its

his habit, and he never broke it. a question which way it goes. There is something in a habit which is sano tifying, because strengthening. A very small thing persevered in has more valuable results than a much greater thing done intermittently. For example, suppose the first day of Lent we propose to read every day a chapter of 'The Following of Obrist,' or to practise some trifling definite mortification at meals, or to perform some little devotion in honor of the Sacred Passion; it will do us more good to persevere in these small resolutions than if we were

once or twice, when the notion took

us, to fast on bread and water. "It would do us good this way. We could not keep up any little practice perseveringly without its often having to encounter a resistance of nature. We like to do it to-day and perhaps to-morrow; but next day, it may be, we forget; or just at the time when we should be doing it we want, or some one else wants us, to do something else; and the effort we make over ourselves not to be put out or to turn out of the way is an effort that strengthens, and is, in fact, virtue. And its indirect effect will be to put muscle and vigor into our whole system; so that we shall be more disposed, more vigilant, to command ourselves in other ways and attend to other matters of virtue. whereas the fi's and starts piety gains no sort of control. For the same reason, I have no besitation in saying that, with regard to the Sacraments, the regular frequentation of them at fixed times is ir finitely cese of Montreal, clergy and faithful, more precious than going more fre-

quently but irregularly. "Good habits require an effort to form; bad habits are very easily formed, because they go with the stream. What we call bad babits is generally indulgence of some part of our unrestrained nature; idle habits for instance, spring from the sloth of our nature, which hates trouble and cannot bring itself to face a difficulty with a strong will, For resistance. On this capacity for

resistance everything depends. "This is just one rea on why yo are checked and restrained in a thousand little things that are not sins; and that you think it so tiresome to be told constantly not to do certain things which spring from unrewant of restraint is one of the roots

one another. Do not undertake too

Abbotsford and its Owners.

Toe Hon. Joseph and Mrs Maxwell-Scott, of Abbotsford, bave again let their historic home on the Tweed, to Mr W. Harrison Cripps, once addressed to her pupile by the deal of shooting and fishing in the suffer from backache, sleeplessnes he spends most of the autume. The actual owner of Abbotsford is, of Sir Walter, whom friend and foe alike (if we may thus designate Cardinal Newman and George Bir saved if women would only take row, author of the "Bible in Spain") oredit with having been the first writer in modern times to bring back Catholicism to the minds of his countrymen as a living reality.

It is just half a century since the mansion and estate of Abbotsford, which had been acquired by Sir Walter some thirty years previously, came into Catholic hands, passing (through the failure of male had married the grand-daughter and heiress of the novelist, and had his state of life. No wonder when added her name to his own. Mr Hope-Scott, the intimate friend of Newman and Manning, and one of the most distinguished converts, as well as one of the most charming in: (1) fidelity to duty-giving to personalities, of his time, added a all their due: to God, to others, and Catholic private chapel to Abbots man respect-readiness to confess by his first marriage (Mr James the trnth, to practice religion Hope, M. P., is his son by his second erica!" denying alms-deeds; and (4) good she ultimately succeeded him as owner of Abbotsford, and married Lord Herries younger brothers, who

Mrs Maxwell-Scott, although her descent from the famous romance writer is entirely in the female line. is well known to have inherited heard only yesterday of a gentleman romantic side-of her country with who regularly walked eight miles a zeal in the cause of Catholicism, on a weekday to hear Mass. It was which gives to all that she writes no little charm and value. Mr and "And what I want to impress on Mrs Maxwell-Scott have happily, a you is the importance of this power large family of sons and daughters, of habit. Habit is the repeated act, so that it may be hoped that the the adherence to the act, and that by Oatholic succession to Abbotsford is way of submission to some law. A reasonably secure. Their eldest son and heir, Mr Walter Scott, has without sails and without a rudder; lowed the military profession, and it gets along somehow, but it is quite they have two younger boys in the Royal Navy. -Glasgow Observer.

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will come later, and we know that it will be a weighty one. MGR H TETU

CYR DELAGE M P. P. Quebec, 4th November, 1904.

In Rome the other day was celebrated the golden jubilee of a distinguished Redemptorist, Father Berthe. consultor general to the rector major of his order. Tall, he is still unstooped, though worn with infirmity, with hair as white as snow, For more the most part, good habits call for than forty years he has labored as missionary with great success. Amidst his labors in preaching missions, giving retreats to every class, especially to the clergy and ecclesiastical students, he found time to write books, which bid fair to preach long after he shall have gone to his reward. His "Recets Biblique," or stories from the Bible, have found their way into almost every home in the Christian parts strained nature. St. Ignatius calls of France. More than two million them inordinatio, and he says this copies have been sold. His "Life of Garcia Moreno, the Martyr President of Equador," has had an enormous sale, and has been translated into sev "Lent is a good time to take all eral languages. His last work, "Vie these imperfections in hand. We du N. S. Jesus Christ," is charming should try and do our best during There is, of course, nothing new as to these holy days for ourselves and the absolute facts, but it is in the art in which these facts are put before us. But undoubtedly the work which will much, but try to adhere steadily to be an enduring monument to his memory is his "Life of S: Alphonsus dear Lord and desire to please Him Maria di Liguori," of which the la e constantly in your hearts. Kindness to others for His sake goes traight to the Heart of Jesus."—

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