

grown-ups do what they like? The man who is truly free is the man who follows his conscience. He is filled with respect.

X. BE TRUE . . . . . 78

Confidence. Truth is like the ground under our feet. When the earth trembles, everything is unstable. Sincerity. How it is lost. Causes and forms of falsehood. Fear of punishment. Flattery. Deceit, calumny, hypocrisy. The power of untruth. Power greater than truth. The piece of one hundred sous and the piece of one sou. To lie is to make exist that which is not; it is to attempt the impossible. To speak the truth is to take one's stand on verity, on the rock. There is no power capable of vanquishing truth. Its day will come. Man is a witness. One man; one word. How the truth shall be told.

XI. RESPECT LIFE . . . . . 92

Life is the wonder of wonders. The instinct of destruction. Destroying for the sake of destroying. Roughness, stupidity, cruelty. The murderer lies asleep in us. Taking away life and spoiling it. Mur-