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solving the difficulty by sacrificing instead, for the Holy Childhood, the prizes and crowns that were usually distributed at the end of the year.

In a remote corner of Paris is to be found an industrial establishment that owes its origin to a very wonderful circumstance. A poor servant who was out of place, in the year 1849, went to ask the assistance of a pious priest, who supported her for four or five days, at the end of which she was attacked by a dangerous illness. Immediately after her recovery she took a house with the proceeds of some charitable presents, and admitted into it two girls, whose parents had died of the cholera. These were soon joined by two girls whose conduct was a subject of great anxiety to their parents, and subsequently by three others, and then by a great number, so that at present, in a manner almost inexplicable to herself, she pays sixty-four pounds a year for an establishment in which she has collected forty-five young females, who are well fed and comfortably lodged. The Holy Childhood was introduced into this establishment by the priest who had been the first benefactor of this pious woman, and, in less than a year from the date of its introduction, the children have forwarded to us a sum exceeding £2.

A poor workman, who supports himself by his daily labour, said to the correspondent of the Society at Vals, "Sir, will you have the kindness to place one of my children on the list of the subscribers of the Holy Childhood?" "But, my good friend," replied our correspondent, "that is an addition to your outlay which you will find inconvenient." "Oh, no matter," the workman replied, "I shall be able to pay the subscription, nevertheless. Do you think that I do not know the value of an immortal soul? I will tell you what I will do; I will drink one bottle of wine less in the year, and I shall not feel the loss."

At Seville, in Spain, a little girl in a rich family had been for some time accumulating money in her purse to buy a doll, when she heard the Holy Childhood mentioned; immediately, without saying a word to any one, she ran to fetch her purse, and, giving it to her mother, said, "That is for the poor little Chinese."

A little girl at Saint-Céré, having made a successful collection in favour of the Holy Childhood, while spending a day at her father's house, on returning in the evening to the convent where she was receiving her education, threw her arms around the neck of one of the nuns, saying, "Sister, I have passed a very pleasant day, the happiest of my life; I have been making a collection for the Holy Childhood." Saying this, she gave the money she had collected to the good Sister.

Our Society makes very great progress at Pontoise amongst the workmen. Many of their children every Sunday lay aside the halfpenny which their parents give them to buy a cake, and, at the end of the month, they give their whole savings to the good sister of the Holy Childhood.