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No one starts out to intentionally write a bad book, fail in a marriage, build a bad building, make a bad speach. In short we dont start out to do bad things, which being the case how come there are so many "bad" examples of books, marrages, buildings and speaches wherever we pay attention to what is happening. It is certainly not my intention to write a bad memoirfor my children. This effort is loaded with good intentioms, love, sioncerity,determination to be honest, let the chips fall where they may bragadoccio. Still even as I write I am already thinking of how "I shall deal with certain embarrassing episodes" which would be so revealing of the miserable wretch I am, that no one much less my children, would ever want to hear my name spoken.

If only my parents had abused me, treated me badly, lied to me, cheated me, thwarted me, misled me. Alas no, not a flaw can I find. If this were not the case I could honestly revile them or find some justification for my shortcommings, and deceptions.