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CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

REFLECTIONS OF A RECLUSE

The morning was cuttingly cold; the windless, ice-fraught air, as a Damascus blade, swished straight to the marrow of the bone. A tortoise shell cat lay stretched out frozen and dead on the snow. Thus, then, had been silenced those terrible cries which had arisen from time to time during the preceding night and at which I had shuddered and grown sick at heart. Cold. so cold was the night with its big hungry stars; and the cries seemed to come from far away-somewhere out in the snow and a thousand frost-breathing ex cuses kept me safe and warm where I lay; and so I covered my ears to shut out the sounds and dozed a dreamed and seemed not to hear; but I heard.

I'm sorry for it all, old cat; sorry for the negligence by which you were locked out from your warm home last night; sorry for the selfishness that your death cries ; sorry not for the bitter death on the snow.

The milkman drove up to the door that bitterly cold morning. He aligated briskly from the wagon; he have gone to waste. was warmly clad, a heavy fur cap with ear flaps protected his head and most of his face from the cold ; he slapped himself vigorously across the breast four or five times, and then proceed ed to take in the cans of milk. Some little time elapsed before he reappeared, evidently he was getting thoroughly warm at the kitchen fire perhaps, too; the maid offered him a of us are starving for a little apprecicup of hot coffee. Glad, indeed, if ation. Most of us will work harder she did : but I couldn't help wishing for praise than for money. What a he would hurry out and start the pity horse. Unblanketed it stood, and moveless as a horse of bronze. the world of them are tongue tied only it could have said, "Cover me before you go;" if only it could have and never speak the word of praise until they speak it over the coffin .--For mercy's sake, don't stay called True Voice. so long, so very, very long. THE BOY WITH HIS HAT IN HIS

But no! it waited in freezing.' motionless silence. Perhaps it looked with weary envy at the dead cat; perhaps it desperately cursed the of its waiting woe ; perhaps, in dumb submission, harnessed blinkered, custom taught, it just stood still and suffered, knowing nothing better behind or beyond; but what ever "perhaps" may have dully within the mysterious cita del of life while the freezing creature waited, no slightest intimation thereof was made known when at last the clatter of cans and the breezy ' Get 'ep" of the driver brought the relief of action.

Perhaps suffering is inseparable ing polite, considering that from life as we know it, whether of man or of beast. But it is certain manners are for grown men and for women and girls, writes a contributor that much of the suffering endured to the Northwestern Christian Advoby dumb creatures comes from the thoughtlessness, selfishness, greed or cate. cruelty of man.

boy's privelege to be rude and boor Every structure is secure in propor ish and careless of the little things tion to the security of its foundation that go to make up the real gentle And that society which towers aloft man. And perhaps you have thought that to be a gentleman you into the realm of the beautiful, the sentimental, the æsthetic, and yet must have fine clothes and plenty of lacks the basal qualities of justice and money and a confidence in yourself kindness must, sooner or later, totter that must always be asserted. and tumble and fall. And whatever instice and kindness may mean among mortals, surely in the sight of the Lord hand may go anywhere." If you and Giver of all life, they must were to go to the office of some busimean essentially the non - abuse ness man, seeking a position there, of the power of the higher over hoping to make the lower; the capable over the inon him that would be a bene capable : the eloquent over the dumb fit to you, how would you go? Would you enter his office with they must mean reverence for life from the highest even down to and your hat on your head, never inclusive of the lowest ; and they thinking to remove it? Or would must mean that chastity of right and you, as a gentleman, remove your gentleness which regard even more hat, not as as a mark of humility the claims of those who cannot speak and inferiority, but as a mark of courtfor themselves than of those who can -Sister M. Fides in Our Dumb Animals.

twisted until he was tired. At last DON'T MAKE EXCUSES he went to the head of the stairs a shouted, "Mother:" "I do not want explanations why you did not do it. I want the job done This sententious rebuke of a men

make into excuses, of your own blunders. Get the result. It is the

result that gives you value.-True

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

THE KIND WORD

HAND

the boy with his hat in his hand

may go anywhere. It sounds rather

enigmatical at first, and you may

puzzle your brains as to what it

means and just why a boy should

But the meaning is not very hard

to find, after all, if you stop to con-

sider a moment, for it has to do with

the lad who has been taught how to

be courteous and polite, and who is

You may have thought that it is a

gentle

an impression

carry his hat in his hand.

There is an old German saving that

Many a man has wo

Voice.

est.

Mrs. Fairfield had just threaded her needle, and stretched a stocking with a big hole in it over her hand chant to the new boy contained the very kernel of the boy's later success She said: "O, dear!" in life. This is the real substance of But she went to see what Billie the much talked of efficiency. it over, young man. Bolt it down into your mind so that it will never wanted.

"You'll have to go now," she said quietly, when he had told her. come loose. The employer wants results. Get the job done, at all costs "O mother! I can't go away np there alone.' of effort, over hours that may be de-Mrs. Fairfield knew that, for Billie anded by obstacles that you might

was never out alone at night. His father had gone to bed down-stairs with the baby; and if they waked him the baby would wake, too. So Mrs. Fairfield thought a minute. Then she said:

"We'll see. I'll have the milk ready when you come down." When Billie got into the kitchen

his mother stood at the door with We shall never regret the kind her hat and shawl on. Billie began things that we may do for others if to feel ashamed. He wished he dared to go alone; but he did not, they really spring from kindly feelings and are not prompted by self interfor it was a lonesome road. He took the milk, and they tramped over the n influence and power simply by his kindness of heart, when he had a few other snow up the long hill without a word. The wind blew in their faces, qualities to recommend him, and and Billie's ears were cold; but he had the milk can in one hand, and without such kindness great talents pulled his sled with the other, so Of all forms of kindness the speakthere was no way to warm them. He ing of kind words is that which lies was ashamed to ask his mother to nost easily within the power of all take the milk. Mrs Seldon exclaimed

of us. Not that words can ever take when she opened the door: the place of deeds. Where a deed Why, what made you come way is required, words sound but as a here to night? And you, too mockery. But there are many, many Mrs. Fairfield? It's too bad. times when the word is all that is could have got along somewhat with needed to make the difference between happiness and despair. Most

cut the mil"." "Billie promised you," Mrs. Fair field answered.

Billie wished that nobody And would look at him. "It wasn't any matter, mother, she it is that thousands who really appreciate their friends and think

said," he urged when they had started for home again. The wind was to their backs new. and Billie's ears were warm.

"That matter was your promise, Billie," said his mother. 'Would you

break a promise just to get rid of walking up to Mrs. Seldon's?" Billie made no answer. He was ashamed again. Presently he asked. his mother if she would slide down the hill. Mrs. Fairfield laughed. she tucked herself up on the But front of the sled, while Billie stuck on behind, and they slid down the long hill to their own yard, where skillfully steered in. His Billie mother praised the way he managed his sled; but Billie was still uncom

always a gentleman. Perhaps you never thought about it very much, or if you did, you may have scoffed at the idea of a boy befortable. 'Why don't you say something to me. mother?" he said, while they were warming themselves at the big

coal stove. His mother smiled at him. "I'll tell you how you will be pun-ished, Billie," she said. "Its too late now to finish mending these stock-

ings to night, so I shall mend them to morrow, when I was going to make a cot'age pudding, and there'll be no pudding for dinner.' He and his father would say "cot-

tage pudding" to each other for a long time afterwards if anything was in danger of being neglected or forgotten. When Billie had grown Let us look at this old saying a moment: "The boy with his hat in his give me Billie Fairfield's word; that's all I want", Billie would smile and say: "Yes, my mother taught me to keep a promise.

DR. ALWARD, K. C., ON SIR THOMAS MORE

The opening address of the King's

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More, Bishop Fisher and many others Instead of referring everything to who, animated by their example, Master, it is said of him, he used preferred death to infamy." to examine all matters that came be What was gained under the chan fore him, like an arbitrator; and he

THE CATHOLIC RECORD

cellorship of Sir Thomas More, was lost under that of Audley. signed. On the 25th day of October, 1529, after the downfall of Wolsey, Henry

VIII., impressed with the genius, in-tegrity and learning of Sir Thomas More, and with a general chorus of approval on the part of the nation, delivered the Great Seal to him, and constituted the celebrated author of Utopia Lord High Chancellor of England.

NTAINS NO ALU

In the long list of Lord Chancellors there is none, whose sad fate elicited more regret than that of Sir Thomas More, and none who won greater dis tinction by the despatch, marked ability and stern impartiality with which he discharged the duties of this great office. The son of Sir John More, an eminent Judge of the Court of the King's Bench ; a page in the family of Cardinal Morton, Archbishop of Canterbury and Lord Chancellor under Henry VIII; an undergraduate of Oxford ; a student of Lincoln's Inn, where were taught the more profound and obstruse branches of legal science ; a reader for three years at Furnival's Inn; and a leading advocate in Westminster Hall, More was in every respect, from his social advantages, training, education and legal acquirements, admirably fitted to discharge the important duties of the great office to which he was called as Lord Chancellor by Henry VIII.

From his profound knowledge of the leading principles of the Common ed to entirely £100 per year. Law, Sir Thomas was enabled to shape and mould the decrees of his Court into proper form and lay down fixed rules and certain forms of procedure for guidance upon well de-fined principles. When he accepted the deadly hate of the queen. the Seals of office, he found 500 cases undisposed of, a legacy from the great Cardinal. He soon cleared an act of treason. off the arrears and forthwith proceeded to remedy several abuses that from time to time had insidiously crept into the practice of the Parliament, but steadily refused Court: notably extortionate fees on the probate of wills; excessive demands for mortuaries, and preventing clerical persons from engaging in trade. A loose system had, likewise. obtained in granting a writ of sub pœna on payment of fees without any examination as to whether there was any reasonable or probable cause for setting the machinery of the Court mission with a packed jury. in motion and involving parties in the expense of a Chancery suit. The

new Chancellor made an order that: "No subpoena should issue till a College Law School was delivered in bill had been filed, signed by the At-St. John, N. B., early this month by torney ; and he himself having per-

tions had imposed on the free and beneficent development of human endeavor and human society." In the general opinion of Europe the foremost Englishman of the time was Sir Thomas More, - is the testimony of the historian, John Richard Green. James Anthony Froude, who has been said to hold a brief for Henry, thus comments on the death of the great Lord Chancellor: "This was the execution of Sir Thomas More,

an act which was sounded out into the far corners of the earth, and was the world's wonder as well for the circumstances under which it was perpetrated, as for the preternatural composure with which it was borne. Something of his calmness may have been due to his natural tempera ment, something to an unaffected weariness of a world which in his patiently worked them out himself to a final decree, which he drew and eyes was plunging into the ruin of

out conventions and lifeless tradi-

the latter days. But those fair bues of sunny cheerfulness caught More, as Lord Chancellor, had not their color from the simplicity of his only high judicial duties to discharge faith; and never was there a Chrisbut owing to his position his politi tian's victory over death more grand-ly evidenced than in that last scene cal functions were no less onerous and important. Shortly after lighted with its lambent humour."

was appointed Lord Chancellor the King consulted him on the question Thus passed one of the greatest and most upright Lord Chancellors of the divorce. More frankly told that ever graced the marble chair : him he was opposed to his design. one whose heart was full of tender The King, however, assured him he was quite free to hold his own opin affection for all brought within the sphere of his activities; whose life on in this matter. When, after the was pure and whose hands were lapse of some time, he found the clean; one who counted life not dear king, owing to his intense and imwhen weighed against the conscien perious will, was bound to break tious discharge of duty as the swor brough every restraint and marry adviser and keeper of his Sovereign's Anne Boleyn. More as the sworn conscience; and one who was keeper of his conscience, petitioned clear in his great office that his virhim to be allowed to resign the tues pleaded like angels trumpet Great Seal. The King was most tongued against the deep damnation reluctant to part with such an able of his taking off. and efficient servant and strongly

ROMANIZING TENDENCIES

It is reported that the General Conention of the Episcopal Church, now in session in this city, may adopt a canon establishing a legal status within the Episcopal Church for the different Episcopal religious orders his necessitous condition, voted him of men and women which at present are merely tolerated by the Episcopal

tely refused to accept. His whole Church. There are six such orders income, after resigning office, amount for men and eighteen for women The men devote themselves to preach-More refused the invitation to at ing and teaching, and the women to tend the coronation of Anne Boleyn teaching, nursing, and contempla-From this hour his fate was sealed tive life. It is said that in nearly Henceforth he became the object of every Episcopalian diocese in the United States there is a house of one In November, 1534, the Act of Supremof these orders. It is expected when acy was passed. This was followed the question of legalizing them comes another, declaring its denial to be up before the Convention, the repre-More was sent for sentatives of what is known as the and ordered to take the oath. He Low Church will be found in opposi offered to swear to uphold the succession of the Crown as settled by tion.

The men and women who have chosen to consecrate themselves to take the oath acknowledging "the the higher life, are looked upon with king as the only supreme head in scant favor by Low Churchmen, who earth of the Church of England." denounce them as "monks" and "nuns" with "Romanizing tendencies." as being contrary to his conscientious convictions. He was then com-The good work they are accomplishmitted to the tower and after close ing counts for nothing. It is rendered confinement for more than a year nugatory, in the estimation of their was brought before a special Com-Episcopalian critics, by their alleged Bv Bishop anings "toward Rome." means of an act of perjury, on the Brent, head of the Episcopal Church part of a high official, a verdict of "guilty" was found. On the 7th of in the Philippines, spoke in glowing terms of that work in the course of July, 1535, he was executed on Tower an address he delivered before the Hill: his four quarters set over four Episcopalian Convention. He pointed gates of the city, his head stuck on out the need of these men and women,

as teachers in the

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naissance, a man whose outlook on and indifference." He, therefore, balife was in advance of his generation: possessed too of such quickness of lieved that the religious orders of which they are members should be recognized and legalized as part of rit, such imaginative activity, such sureness of intellectual insight, that the machinery of the Episcopa he could lay bare with pen all the Church. defects, all the abuses, which worn-

It remains to be seen what effect this plea will have upon the representatives of the Episcopal Church in Convention assembled. They cannot shut their eyes to the benefi

cial results of the labors of these men and women who are striving to imitate, in their own way, the examples set by Catholic religious orders. attempt in itself is uplifting. But

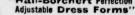
then it has a "Romanizing tendency," and that condemns it in the opinion of the Protestant element Episcopal Church.-Freeman's Journal.

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educated man often earns more in a day than an ignorant man earns in a week. An education is worth having for its own sake. It trains the mind to reason and enriches it with beautiful thoughts and the possession of men trying to find boys to help them facts that are useful to know. It to carry on their business. The boy opens the door of good society to the person who has it. It is an accomplishment like music or art.

After you enter your teens, try to find out what work in life you would like to do and then direct your studies to fit you for that occupation. An electrical engineer, a doctor, a finan cier, a chemist, an editor, etc., need different studies. Don't spend all your time on gentle studies. Keen away from schools with antiquated systems.-Catholic Union and Times. DAILY CONFLICTS AND HOURLY

TRIALS

Many people are so afraid to die that they have never begun to live. But courage emancipates us and gives us to ourselves, that we may give ourselves freely and without fear to God. How sweet and clear and steady is the life into which this virtue enters day by day, not merely in those great flashes of excitement which come in the moment of crisis, but in the presence of hourly perils, the continual conflicts. Not to tremble at the shadows which surround us, not to shrink from the foes who threaten us, not to hesitate and faiter and stand despairing still among the perplexities and trials of our life, but to move steadily onward without fear, if only we can keep ourselves without reproach-surely that is what the psalmist meant by good courage and strength of heart, and it is a most comfortable, pleasant, peaceful and happy virtue.

and inferiority, but as a mark of court-esy from one gentlemen to another, the deam of the school, Dr. Silas used it, had granted a flat for the What little property he left was con from an employee to an employer. Possibly with all other things in your favor, this lack of courtesy in not removing your hat might not work against you, but it would very likely tell a truthful story to the man you are trying to impress favorably Go to school until you are gradu-ated, if you can. Education pays. An ing, of indifference or a false sense of independence, and he would form his own opinion of you, in spite of

all you might say for yourself. Common Law Judges. Notwithstand-Every day there are boys seeking ing his lack of training in the Municipal Law and his ignorance of the doctrines and practice of the Court of positions, and every day there are men trying to find boys to help them Chancery, yet from his consummate who is in the employ of a business ability and grasp of equitable principles, his decrees were generally sustained on appeal and he won the man represents, in a way, that man and his business. If he is office boy, if he carries bundles and message reputation of having discharged his

and runs errands, or if he does someduties with fidelity and without the thing that calls for more tact and perslightest intimation of bribery or prruption. suasiveness, he must remember that he represents "the firm," and that

He was succeeded by Sir Thomas he should be a credit to that firm. More an upright and thoroughly When you are to meet another buscompetent Judge. More was succeeded by Sir Thomas Audley, one of iness man, when you are to go into the presence of an older person, or the most despicable Chancellors that ever held the Great Seal. are ushered into the parlor of a lady, Lord Campbell in contrasting More

their possessor in

remember that you are on trial, and that the boy who goes with his hat in his hand may go anywhere as a and Audley, says: "There was a

gentleman, not as a menial. But right here is another point to keep in mind. The hands that hold the cap must be clean and neat, and the head to which the cap will soon return must have careful attention from brush and comb, or the cap will raise prove only an embarrassment. Then with shining hair and clean, wellmanicured nails, the boy with his cap in hand can go into the world and, all things being equal, win al

most anything he may desire. BILLIE'S PROMISE

When Billie took the milk to Mrs. Seldon one morning, and she asked him if he would bring another quart and then never thought of it again until he was in bed.

'Well, I can't take it now," said Billie.

Alward, K. C., who took for his sub- commencement of the suit." He fiscated by the inhuman tyrant, who, ject, "The Evolution of Chancery and the judicial murder of Sir Thomas all who came before him, giving re It is said Cardinal Wolsey was the conscience. It was said of him:

alone in a judicial capacity, in the suppliant was, the more affably he would speak unto him the more Court of Chancery. He delivered udgements regardless of the maxims heartly he would hark unto of the Common Law and without con-sulting the Master of the Rolls or the

his cause, and with speedy trial despatch him." As an instance of his unbending impartiality it is said, his son-in law, a practitioner in the Court, merrily chided him, in the manner following: "When Car-dinal Wolsley was Lord Chancellor, not only divers of his Privy Chamber, but such also as were his door stepers, got great gains by him; and sith I have married one of your ate life, comes as near to perfection daughters. I might of reason look for some commodity; but you are so ready to do for every poor man, and losse of office. imprisonment, and keep no doors shut, that I can find death, rather than make such a dec no gains at all, which is to me a great discouragement ; whereas else, some for friendship, some for profit, and some for kindred would gladly

use my furtherance to bring them to your presence ; and now, if I should take anything of them, I should do striking contrast, in almost all them great wrong, because they may respects, between these two in daily do as much for themselves; which thing, though it is in you sir, dividuals-the successor of the man very commendable; yet to me find it nothing profitable." To so distinguished for genius, learning patriotism and integrity, having only To whom the Incorruptible Judge recommonplace abilities, sufficient plied : " But this one thing I assure with cunning and shrewdness, to thee, on my faith, that if the parties will at my hands call for justice and world-having no acquired knowlequity, then, although i, were my edge beyond what was professional father, whom I reverence dearly that and official-having first recommendstood on the one side, and the ed himself to promotion by defend ing, in the House of Commons, the devil, whom I hate extremely, were

abuses of prerogative and for the on the other side, his cause being sake of remaining in office, being just the devil of me should have his on the o her side, his cause being ever willing to submit to any deright."

gradation, and to participate in the He advocated a course of proce-commission of any crime. He held dure by which law and equity might that night; he said "Yes" n," promptly, the Great Seal for a period of above be beneficially administered by the owelve years, during which, to please the humors of his capricious and same tribunal, seeking to induce the and common law Judges, to relax the tyrannical master, he sanctioned the rigour of their rules with the view divorce of three Queens-the execu- to meet the justice of particular

Billine. Bit he could not go to sleep, tion of two of them on the scaffold— although he turned and tossed and the judicial murder of Sir Thomas ture Act of 1873 and Amending Acts. In the presence of one endowed with the finest enlightenment of the Re-

carefully examined the petitions of in his career of shame, exhibited a catalogue of vices enumerated by Hume as "violence, cruelty, profugood sion, obstinancy, rapacity, arrogance, bigotry, presumption and caprice a catalogue scarcely less damnatory than such as are contained in the list

urged him to suppress his conscien-tious scruples. This, the Chancellor

as a matter of conscience and fa

do and insisted upon resigning

the Seal. On the 10th of May

1532, his resignation was accepted, having held the position for only two

and a half years. He left office a poor

m in with a large family to support.

The clergy in convocation, owing to

a present of £5,000. This he absolu-

his legal adviser, could

tious scruples.

of the seven deadly sins. Lord High Chancellor Campbell thus vindicates the character of Sir Thomas More: "Considering the splendor of his talents, the greatness of his acquirements; and the innocence of his life, we must still regard his murder as the blackest crime that ever has been perpetrated in England under the forms of law. . . His character, both in public and in priv-His as our nature will permit. Can we censure him for submitting to laration? He implicitly yielded to the law regulating the succession to the Crown, and he offered no active opposition to any other law : only requiring that on matters of opinion might ne permitted to remain silent. The English Reformation was a glorious event, for which we never can be sufficiently grateful to Divine Providence, but I own I feel little respect for those by whose instrumen tality it was first brought about, men

for Cran ver." The Hon. Sydney Lee writes to the like effect: "More's pitcous fate startled the world. The Emperor, Charles V., declared be would have rather lost his best city than such a counsellor. In all countries poets likened him to the greatest heroes of antiquity, to Socrates, Seneca, Aristi-des and Cato. . . Surveying More from another side we find ourselves

chial schools, to help counteract "the atheistic tendencies which the lack of religious education in the Public schools is bound to bring about." He declared that they should be ap plauded for " standing in the breach against the onslaught of agnosticism

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