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CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

THE ROSARY IN IRELAND

To my memory idly roaming comes a vista of the gloaming laughter. That of taking them. a breathing from the meadows of the shamrock and Comes

LEARN TO "LET GO"

letting go.'

the peat ; With the mellow firelight gleaming,

I am sitting now and dream-

Of my lost and vanished youthtime, with its fancies fond and sweet

To my raptured ears come wooing tender notes like wood-doves cooing,

sense of fingers straying over

harp-strings sweet and low-the music that came winging was sweeter far than signing

my mother said the Rosary in Ireland long ago !

Oh, how well do I remember when by crackling log and ember, And the family all were gathered from the highland and the

With her eyes upraised to heaven,

in a cadence low and even, She called each decade, with its

sad or joyful mystery ! There were cherubs in the gloaming, and the childish eyes went

roaming Though the shadows of the shapes

of angels moving to and fro-And, ah, the fadeless beauty of that and scene of love and duty

When my mother said the rosary in Ireland long ago.

I remember how in boyhood, bit advanced from toyhood, How I loved to clasp the beads her gracious lips had prest; They were made of Irish berries, they were carven like to cherries, There was healing in their starry There was healing in their starry and the swans the waves get used to the habit of it - letting

vere riding, And the storm winds in the darkness made a sound of grief

ness made a sound of grief and woe— he comfort that came creeping, ere the children fell to leaving way to get in or inter things that may mar and embitter life that you will enjoy letting them go. You will find the world such a beautiful place. You will find it Ah, the comfort that came creeping,

sleeping, When my mother said the Rosary in

Ireland long ago ! -EDWARD WILBUR MASON

MARK TWAINS IDEAL OF A GENILEMAN

About thirty years ago an Ameri-can magazine published a special symposium number on the query, "What is your ideal of an ideal gentleman?" which it had sub-mitted to several notable writers. Mark Twain, who was then at the summit of his fame, answered :

"He came to our family thirtysix years ago. He was my coach-man on the morning that I drove my young bride to our new home. He was a young Irishman—slender, tall, lithe, honest, truthful; and he never changed in all his life. As And the lark sang loud and high; And the red was on your lip, Mary, the children grew up he was their guide. He was with us last sum-And the love-light in your eye. mer when we went to New Hamp-shire, and his hair was just as black, The place is little changed, Mary-The day is bright as then ; The lark's loud song is in my ear, his eyes were just as blue, his form just as straight, and his heart just And the corn is green again ; But I miss the soft clasp of your as good as on the day we first met. In all the long years Patrick never made a mistake. He never heard And your breath, warm on my

an order, never received a com-mand. He knew. I have been asked for my ideal of an ideal gentleman, and I give it to you."— Patrick McAleer. And your breath, warm cheek; And I still keep list'nin' Wourds You nevermore will speak. GOOD TEMPER AN ATTRIBUTE 'Tis but a step down yonder lane,

CATHOLIC RECORD THE

we may not lose the peace of our Mother, whether it is the lovely Annunciation Lily, the fleur-de-lis or the sweet lilies of the valley which in some lands are thought

A present-day writer, Father NcNabb, O. P., says that almost 75% of the things of this world should be taken with a little laughter. That is the serious way of taking them. wild snowdrops seem prettier for the altar if they are called "Candlemas bells." Legends tell us that flowers sprang up along the Blessed Virgin's way through life,

One does not often encounter such practical, homely philosophy as that which appeared some time ago in Medical Talk on the wisdom of and is it any wonder? The hazel tree, it is said, blos-somed for Mary when she visited Elizabeth, and the daffodils formed a path for Gabriel when he came to the humble house of Nazareth. You all know the orchard which bears the name "Our Lady Slipper," "If you want to be healthy morally, mentally and physically," the writer says, "just let go. Let go the little bothers of everday life, and how much more graceful is that name than its other, "mocassin

the irritations and the petty vexa-tions that cross your path daily. Don't take them up and nurse them, pet them and brood over them. They are not worth while. flower. The primrose has a significant among the Germans; they "Frauen Schlussel," "Our name call it

Lady's Key," because it opens the gate of spring. Let them go. "That little hurt you got from a gate of spring. In France the spearmint is "Our Lady's Mint," and the dainty blue speedwell is in England called "Mary's Rest." In Nazareth the little children call briony "Our Lady's Vine," and the holy tree is "Mary's Tree." You are all familiar with the delicate maiden-hair ferns, but do you know they are often termed friend, perhaps it wasn't intended, perhaps it was; but never mind, let it go. Refuse to think about to. "Let go of that feeling of hatred you have for another, the jealousy, the envy, the malice, let go of all

such thoughts. Dismiss them from your mind, and you will be sur-prised what a wholesome and re-juvenating effect it will have upon you know they are often termed "Our Lady's Tresses ?" Across the sea, the strawberry and the cherry are dedicated to the

you, both physically and men-tally. Let them all go. "But the big troubles, the bitter disappointments, the deep wrongs Blessed Virgin. There is a plant known as "Our Lady's Bedstraw," and heart-breaking sorrows, the tragedies of life, what about them ? the and there is a species of primula which has been styled "Our Lady's Candlestick," while "Our Lady's Nightcap" is a common name for Why, just let them go, too. Put away all regrets and bitterness, and let sorrow be only a softening influence. Yes, let them go, and make the most of the future. "Then that little ailment that you

the morning glory. To give these names, full of lovely meaning, to the flowers, shows that our Blessed Mother was close to the minds and hearts of the people in the early ages, and far from evincing too great famil-iarity, their simple faith filled their hearts with sweet and loving reverence, says an exchange.-Catholic

Bulletin. OIL OF SWEETNESS, KINDNESS

go of these things. You will find it such an easy way to get rid of the AND GENTLENESS Once upon a time, as the story-tellers say, there lived an old gentleman in a large house. He had books and flowers and servants -everything he wanted; yet he beautiful because you will be free to enjoy it—free in mind and body. "Learn to let go. Do not con-stantly dwell upon the unpleasant was not happy; and when things did not go as he wished, he was cross. One by one his most valued servants left him. Quite out of things in life. As you value health of body and peace of mind, let gotemper, he went to a neighbor with

just simply let go of all the bitter-ness and sorrow in life." his tale of woe. "It seems to me." said his neigh-bor sagaciously, "it would be well for you to use more oil." "To use more oil?" OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

"Yes; I will explain. Some time ago one of the doors in my house creaked. Therefore, nobody liked to go in or out of it. One day I oiled its hinges and it has been constantly used ever since."

I'm sittin' on the stile, Mary, Where we sat side by side On a bright May mornin' long ago, When first you were my bride; constantly used ever since. "Then you think I am like your creaking door?" cried the old gentleman. "How in the world do you want me to use oil?" The corn was springin' fresh and

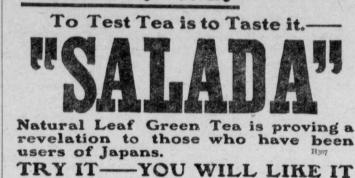
"That's an easy matter," said the neighbor. "Go home and engage a servant and when he does right praiae him. If, on the contrary, he does something amiss, do not be cross and break out in reproaches; oil your voice and words with the oil of kindness and sweetness and

gentleness." The old man went home and folowed the advice given him, and thenceforward peace and comfort And I still keep list'nin' for the

reigned in his house. Every family should have a bottle Every family should have a bottle of this oil; for every family is liable to have a creaking hinge in the "But Father, what was there in

ST. JOSEPH

FEAST SUNDAY, MARCH 19



out a meagre subsistence for If and his blessed charges by menial service, by incessant drudgery, and poorly requited toil. He had his hours of sadness, when want and suffering laid their heavy

hands upon him, for the members of the Holy Family were the poorest of the poor. There were times when the bitter inequalities of the social system of those days made them the victims of the world's unrest. But St. Joseph never complained.

On the contrary he rejoiced that God deemed him worthy to be a co-sufferer with Christ in the Redemption of the world, and, in all his sufferings he found his consolation in union with God and in the hope of eternal reward.

His piety, justice, purity, charity, obedience, and faith have made him the patron of the universal Church. His powerful intercession has sent millions to him, and has enriched them with these same virtues. But the secret of his strength was his detachment from the world, his other-worldliness. And this is the trait in St. Joseph that the world today need most to imitate. As the Holy Father said in his Motu Proprio on St. Joseph, "Therefore let all learn to look on passing events in the light of the eternal

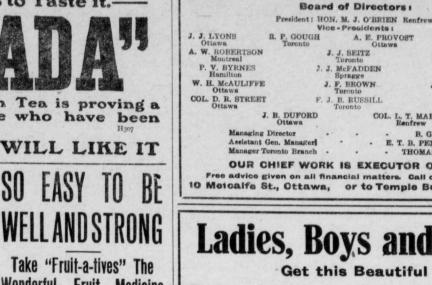
things to come, and seeking consola tion for the inevitable troubles of human life in the hope of celestial blessings, aspire to those with all blessings, aspire to those with an their strength, resigned to the will of God, living soberly, according to the rules of piety and justice." The feast of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin, Foster Father of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, Patron of the Universal Church, medel of a scintul life, and a patron model of a saintly life, and a patron of a happy death, should move us to cultivate a more fervent devo-

tion to him, and to enlist his power-ful assistance by more frequent intercession.—The Pilot.

THE MEDIEVALISTS

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Chicago, Ill., Jan. 20.-How the eed of the Catholic faith was sown, and how it has grown and spread to embrace 9,000 of the savage popula-tion of New Guinea in a few years, was told to the Medievalists, a club of Catholic men, at a recent meeting by the Rev. Francis Neuhaus of the Society of the Divine Word, one of the exiled German missionaries, now stationed at Techny, Ill., home of the order. Father Neuhaus illustrated his lecture with many slides, both of his own making and

from the Field Museum. After Father Neuhaus had talked most interestingly of the three savage races that inhabit the island, of their primitive life and strange, though fixed customs one of the



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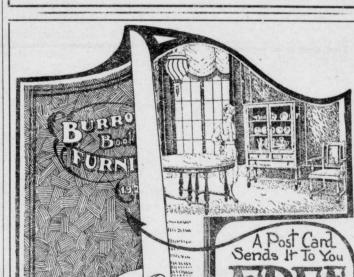
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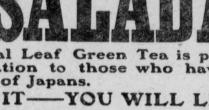
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A mild answer breaketh wrath;

but a harsh word stirreth up fury. A fool immediately showeth his anger; but he that dissembleth in-juries is wise.

The truth of these scriptural sentiments has appealed to the saints in all ages and to men of our own day who are not formally numbered among the saints, observe the Cath-olic Sentinel. Nothing can rank in olic Sentinel. Nothing can rank in importance before gentleness of manner and sweetness of demeanor toward others, said Father Faber. Go out into the world with your heart full of gentleness and pity and you shall find the response of kindliness in others; you will not only protect yourself from being hardened, but you will draw out the gentler side of others, was the wiew of Father Meturin

the view of Father Maturin. One of the early hermits was asked how he maintained his placid temper and replied that he lived in the presence of the unseen. "I the presence of the unseen. "I often think of my guardian angel who is ever at my side, who assists me in all my needs, who tells me in all circumstances what I should do, what I should say, and who, after every action, writes down the manner in which I have performed

This thought penetrates me with such religious respect that I am attentive to say or do nothing to displease him.

one who asked him how he could suffer abusive language and threats to which he had been subjected, St. FrancisdeSalesanswered: "Be not astonished at my silence. I have made a compact with my tongue that it never move to say a

Thave made a compact with my tongue that it never move to say a word of anger against those who may speak ill of me." On the gen-eral subject of keeping one's temper sweet, the saint said : "It soms show by their names that is not possible, as long as we are on this earth, to think exactly as those who whom we live; there-fore, it is necessary to have a large fund of sweetness to oppose to widden movements of anger so the there was an age when the Giver but that was long before chrysan-themum shows. The lily in all lands is associated

And the little church stands near — The church where we were wed, Mary, I see the spire from here.

LAMENT OF THE IRISH

EMIGRANT

green

hand.

But the graveyard lies between, Mary, And my step might break your

quite unintentionally and pain or annoyance is often caused by mere rest-For I've laid you, dørling, down to inadvertence.-The Echo.

sleep, With your baby on your breast.

Yours was the good, brave heart,

Mary, That still kept hoping on, Fervent devotion to St. Joseph is When the trust in God had left my

soul, And my arm's young strength was

gone : There was comfort even on your lip, And the kind look on your brow— I bless you, Mary, for that same, Though you cannot hear me now.

I'm biddin' you a long farewell, My Mary, kind and true ! But I'll not forget you, darling, In the land I'm goin' to; They say there's bread and work for all,

And the sun shines always there But I'll not forget old Ireland, Were it fifty times as fair !

And often in those grand old woods I'll sit, and shut my eyes, And my heart will travel back

again To the place where Mary lies ; And I'll think I see the little stile Where we sat side by side,

And the springin' corn, and the bright May morn When first you were my bride.

OUR BLESSED MOTHER AND THE FLOWERS

in Herod's palace were eating and drinking and making merry, st. Joseph was laboriously making a living for the Holy Family. No doubt he often heard the shouts of their laughter, and heard the device of their orgins with a present stories of their orgies, yet he never for one moment envied them their lot. Although he knew that in the guardianship of the Holy Family he

Every ranney every family is fiable of this oil; for every family is fiable to have a creaking hinge in the shape of a fretful disposition, a cross temper, a harsh tone, or a fault-finding spirit. Accidents will harsh the most perfect plans harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit. Accidents will harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit. Accidents will harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit. Accidents will harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit. Accidents will harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit. Accidents will harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit. Accidents will harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit. Accidents will harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit. Accident finding spirit harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit. Accident finding spirit harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit. Accident finding spirit harsh tone, or a fault finding spirit harsh tone, or a fault

man, no matter how primitive," said the father, "that to which the truths of God appeal. And so it was there. The young children in our schools are the easiest, naturally, but the adults and even the old accept the true faith when they are instructed in it. In one of the tribes practically every member is a Catholic." The Medievalists is an organiza-

the remedy for many of the evils of the day. This world is not the tion of Catholic men, whose purpose is to entertain and give a forum to smiling paradise that dreamy vision-aries like to picture it. It is a rugged work-shop of duty fashioned by the creative hand of God, in prominent characters who may have a message for Catholics, or information bearing on subjects in which Catholic men are interested. Its which all men and women must spend their allotted span of years, membership is at present limited to laboring for an eternal reward. Toil and suffering and care are the 250, having been recently increased from 200. There is still a long waiting list. The organization was lot of man on earth, peace and rest and happiness are the heritage of Suggested by the Right Rev. Francis C. Kelley, president of the Catholic Church Extension Society, and man in Heaven. The ideal of man-hood therefore is not the man of the world, idle, dissipated, and pleasure seeking but the man of formed by him and several associates

At first this little group enter-tained in a modest way Catholic visitors, who, not being in the public eye, might have otherwise God, industrious, restrained, and soberminded, not seeking his destiny in the dust of the earth, but pressing on with faith and hope to the City of God in the Heavens. passed unnoted. The organization appealed to other Catholic leaders. Of true, Christian, manly virtue, St. Joseph has given the shining ex-Now it holds meetings at the call of

the officers, when there is occa-sion, at the University Club. The members dress in the garb of The chaste spouse of the Blessed Mother of God and Foster Father of Our Lord led a saintly life of patient poverty and uninterrupted toil. While the men of the world monks, while the applicants wear another garb, and the guests wear business suits. A ritual is observed. One of the interesting features of the meetings is that the speaker is subject to "heckling." There is no publicity in the Chicago newspapers, so the speaker may talk freely.

As long as truth or justice could be supposed to influence men, as long as man was admitted under the control of reason, so long must it be prudent and wise to procure on this earth, to think exactly as of the flowers was remembered, those whom we live; there-fore, it is necessary to have a large fund of sweetness to oppose to sudden movements of anger, so that



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