### THE READER'S CORNER

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I am going to be very serious with you this week, dear readers, and I want all your attention and all your assistance, while I say something to you about the great question of the hour—the future of the Canadian West. I know what a power the RECORD is; I know it circulates in every corner of the Dominion, and hence I utilize its columns to call public attention to the spiritual needs of the great army, the more than olden invasion of the Goths and Visigoths, now pouring in to the great new West and known as " Catholic immigrants." There's a harvest ripe unto the gathering, but the reapers, where are they We Catholics believe and proclaim that the salvation of one immortal soul, for which Christ died, is of more value than kingdoms. And are we, then, to sit idle all the day whilst the proselytizer is busy doing his work? Are we to do nothing for these poor Catholic immi-

Our Protestant friends are long since in the field. There is a living chain of proselytism from ocean to ocean. And can it be that the children of darkness are wiser than the children of light? Are we to make no effort to save these poor exiles from these wolves in sheep's clothing? If so it is time we began.

Now what are we to do? We must have our Catholic chain of communication. It matters little how we build our chain provided we succeed in making it. But I merely suggest this method. Knight of Columbus, to meet these Catholic immigrants and go amongst them. The good that could be thus effected is incalculable, and it is much more effective to thus get in touch with these people than to expect to rescue them afterwards from atheism or sectism. That is the plan then. Let some representative Catholic meet these people at every point in Canada, at all ports and sailing stations. Anticipate the prosely-

This is no Utopian idea. Surely we are as zealous as the propagators of falsehood. And the columns of the Catholic press is an ideal place for preaching this crusade. The Catholic journal reaches hundreds of places where the voice of the preacher has never penetrated. Here, then, is an opportunity for the Catholic press and the Catholic people of Canada. Will they rise equal to it? Or can it be that while the wolves roam abroad the shepherd hides at home, forgetful of his sheep? What are you going to do?

Chicago, March 10, 1910.

Dear Columba, -Some time ago I read in your "Corner" an article on Newman. As I have the original MS. of his famous hymn "Lead Kindly Light," it occurs to me that perhaps you would like a few copies. Here they are. If any of your readers would like a copy I shall be pleased to supply them. Here in Chicago there are hundreds of Catholic households where those leaflets are nicely framed and hang on the walls. By the way, I am an old Peterboro boy and lived there thirty years,

Yours truly, JAS. J. SHEEHY.

sense of their duty is to speak through | that is felt after a victorious struggle.

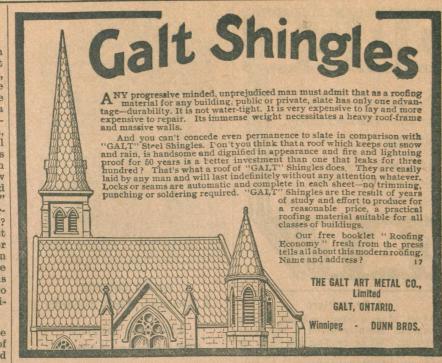
Souris West, P. E. I., Feb. 28, 1910. Star, Montreal:

Dear Sir,—I see by late issues of the Family Herald and Weekly Star that we are to have another infliction of Ralph Connor's writings, viz., the Foreigner. Now I feel sure, Mr. Editor, that you as a gentleman, and responsible for what appears in your widely-read paper, would not willingly hurt and insult the feelings of thousands of Roman Catholic readers by repeating this stale and oftrepeated calumny as revarnished by the above writer regarding the confessional. I take this means of uttering my solemn protest against your columns being the means of caricaturing one of the most all about his deformity. consoling sacraments of our holy relig-Yours sincerely.

# What Total Abstinence Is

Total abstinence is not indeed a commandment, but in days evil as they are, and amidst temptations such as assail counsel of enlightened prudence and of more perfect charity. It is a high and noble way of mortification and reparation and expiation for their own sins or for others, for those who are dear to them or for those who wreck their homes-prompted by motives of charity to others and of holy fear for themselves. It is with great joy that I know how many children are being trained up from their earliest days in complete freedom from temptation; and I earnnestly call on all fathers and mothers to bring up their children in this discipline of temperance.-Cardinal Manning.





# CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

THE STIMULUS OF REBUFFS

Hard conditions, desperate circumstances, great poverty and hardships have ever developed the giants of the race. The resources, the powerful reserves lie too deep in many people to it possible for us to have at each station be aroused, awakened by any ordinary some Catholic, if possible a priest or a conditions or circumstances. These people are like the great Maximite shells that can be thrown about with impunity, that children may play with, but which require the terrific impact caused by being fired through the steel armor of a warship to explode them. It takes a great crisis, a tremendous emergency to explode the giant powder in many people.

Some natures never come to themselves, never discover their real strength until they meet with opposition or failure. Their reserve of power lies so deep within them that any ordinary stimulus does not arouse it. But when they are ridiculed, "sat down upon," or when they are abused, inulted, a new force seems to be born in them, and they do things which before would have seemed impossible.

I knew a student paying his way through college who was so poor that the wealthier students made fun of him. They were always guying him about his short trousers, seedy clothes, and general out-at-elbow condition. He was so stung by their jibes that he made a vow not only to redeem himself from ridicule, but to make himself a power in

This young man has had most remarkable success, and he says that the rebuffs he met with and the ridicule that was heaped upon him in his student days have been a perpetual stimulus to his ambition to get on in the world.

A successful business man tells me that every victory he has gained in a long career has been the result of hard fighting, so that now he is actually afraid of an easily won success. He feels that there must be something wrong when day who owe everything to their handianything worth while can be obtained without a struggle. Fighting his way I have received the following letter with a request to insert in the Corner.

I gladly do so, as I think it highly important to teach newspapers, such as the localized by the strength, his overgon to the strength his over Weekly Herald, that they cannot insult | coming ability, his power. He does not Catholic feeling with impunity. The like to do easy things because it does best way to bring these people to a not give one the exhilaration, the joy

There are many instances in history people who have developed marvelous THE HABIT OF CHEERFULNESS The Editor Family Herald and Weekly qualities and wonderful achievements in were conscious of being very plain, even other quality. Optimism is the greatest what would have been impossible for and destroy what optimism has built up. them but for the determination to con-

quer their handicap. charmed with his brilliant intellect and | much less friction. fascinating conversation that he forgot

The overcoming of physical handicaps | says: ion by this prejudiced and most unchari- is only one of the many indications that table writer. And I hope for the sake very few of us ever discover ourselves, of justice and fair play you will not sully or ever develop the best, the grandest your columns with the maudlin senti- things in us. We do not even dream of

A. J. McDonald. part of ourselves undiscovered. struggle, many people would never have | ment. discovered their real selves. Napoleon our people, and with so many reasons was never so resourceful, never so level- It adds wonderfully to one's active diligence he saved the country millions houses of worship, and also expresses urging us to self denial, it is surely a headed, never had that vigorous metal ability, and increases mental and physi- of dollars a year.—Arthur L. Greene in in appreciative terms the undoubted grasp, was never able to make such cal power. It makes hosts of friends, Catholic Union and Times.

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daughters-don't see your loved

ones go down in disgrace to the drunkard's grave. Many men have

powerful combinations as when he was driven to desperation. It was when all bridges were burned behind him, and there was no possibility of retreat, that the possible Napoleon came to the Napoleon said of his great goneral, Massena, that he never showed his mettle until he saw the wounded and dead falling all around him in battle; then the lion in him was aroused, and he fought like a demon.

The same principle is true of those of a fair chance in life. If Lincoln had take. been born in a mansion on Fifth Avenue probably never would have become Presi- | don't think I have. dent, and never would have gone down in history as the great man he was, because the chances are that he would never have made the effort he made in his obscurity, the desperate struggle to make up for his deficiencies. It was the heroic struggle with adverse conditions that brought out the giant in him.

If he had been brought up in luxury, | yard.' with his playmates constantly telling him that he would be very foolish to fully, "you are a good salesman. Jean, for himself when he was rich already, a great man some day. when his father had done all that was necessary to secure him comforts and luxury, he would not have become

do everything from motive, and the strength of the motive measures the re-

sult of the effort. The rich youth, who does not feel necessity tugging away, prodding him, naturally can not put forth the same effort as the poor boy, who feels that he must exert himself to his utmost to repleased. deem himself from poverty, to make a respectable place for himself in the

Compare the average namby-pamby, characterless, staminaless, initiativeless rich boy with the sturdy, robust poor boy who is making his own way in the laid the gold pieces on the table. world. One is a weakling; the other a

There are people in this country tocap, which has been a perpetual spur. has enabled them to bring out possi-

an emergency large enough, a responsibility heavy enough to call out the hid- agitated voice said: den reserves in our nature, latent energies spring forth which astonish us.

Cheerfulness will attract more customtheir struggle to redeem themselves from ers, sell more goods, do more business some physical handicap. Girls who with less wear and tear than almost any ugly, have put forth herculean efforts to business-getter, biggest trader, the greatredeem themselves, to develop compen- est achiever in the world. Pessimism sations, and have succeeded in doing has never done anything but tear down

In the business office, as in society, everywhere, the favorite is always the It was said of a noted Englishman who | cheerful person. Good-natured, cheerwas born without arms or legs that a ful people do not waste their vital energy visitor who was curious to know how he as rapidly as the grumbler or the too managed to get about or to eat was so sober, too sad people. They work with proud of you."

Good cheer is a great lubricant; it oils all of life's machinery. Shakespeare

"A merry heart goes all the day, Your sad tires in a mile—a."

There is no other life habit which can your columns with the maudlin senti-ments contained in the story of the For-the richness and beauties of our vast and satisfaction as that of being cheerpersonal estates. We die with the larger ful under all circumstances. If the resolution to cultivate cheerfulness is The desperate struggle to do some- strongly made at the very outset, it will thing worth while is the very thing not be difficult to form the cheerful

Cheerfulness is also a great producer.

misery and privations due to my hus band's drinking habits. Hearing of your marvellous remedy for the cure of drunkenness, which I could give my husband secretly, I decided to try it. I procured a package and mixed it in his food and coffee, and, as the remedy was odorless and tasteless, he did not know what it was that so

and helps us to be interesting and agree-

# OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

JEAN'S HONESTY REWARDED

Jean Baptiste Colbert, a boy of fifteen, was busy arranging the rolls of cloth in the shop, when Mr. Certain, who was both his employer and god father, called to him and told him that he wished him to go to the hotel where Mr. Cenani, the banker from Paris, was staying, and show him certain pieces of

"Shall I take anything less than the marked price?" asked Jean, as he stood by the door, accompanied by the porter

who carried the cloth. Not a cent," answered the mer-

Wuen Jean arrived at the hotel, he was conducted to Mr. Cenani's room. After some consideration, Mr. Cenani selected a certain piece of cloth and

"Fifteen crowns a yard," answered Jean promptly. The porter smiled, but neither the

asked Jean the price of it.

banker nor Jean noticed it. "I'll take thirty yards," answered the banker.

While Jean and the porter were measuring the cloth, Mr. Cenani walked over to his desk, and counted out 450 crowns, which he handed to Jean in payment of the goods.

Jean then wrote out a receipt and departed. When Jean arrived at the store, Mr.

Certain, who had been waiting for his return, anxiously asked him if he had who have tried to make up for the lack | make a sale and if he had made a mis-In reply to Mr. Certain's last ques-

in New York, and had gone to college, he tion, Jean replied promptly, "No, sir, I "But I do," said the porter, laughing.

"Ah! I might have expected it," exclaimed the merchant, as he hastened to examine the cloth. "The mistake is in your favor, sir,"

said the porter, "so you needn't worry. He sold a piece of cloth for 15 crowns a yard which was marked 6 crowns a "Ah!" exclaimed the merchant, joy-

work himself to death to make a name | my boy, I am proud of you. You will be Jean, who had stood as if carved out of stone while his godfather had praised him, now burst out, "Godfather, do you

think I would do such a dishonorable Human nature is naturally lazy. We action? No, I will return the money to Mr. Cenani before this hour is past. And before the astonished merchant was fairly aware of it, Jean was out of

the store and on his way to the banker. When Jean arrived at the hotel, he entered unannounced Mr. Cenani's room.

"What do you want?" he asked. cannot see you now; I am engaged."
"Pardon me," said the boy, who made no motion to leave the room, "by mistake I overcharged you on the goods, and I came to return the money," and he

Mr. Cenani, who was very much interested now and did not seem to be in such a hurry, asked: "Why did you not

Ah, sir, I did not think of that.' "But suppose you did think of it?"
"Sir, I could not think of doing such a dishonest action.

Mr. Cenani, who was deeply moved by the boy's honesty, laid his hand on Jean's shoulder, and with a deeply

You are an honest lad, and you shall | earth. not go unrewarded. Jean, my boy, we

father, who was in a raging passion, used for God and man-the earlier the said:

you again. When Jean arrived home at this un-

usual hour, his parents were very much surprised. After he had told all that happened in as few words as possible, his mother kissed him gently, and his father, taking his hand, said, "You have acted nobly, my son, and I am During this touching scene, Mr. Cen-

ani entered and said:

"I leave early to-morrow morning for Paris, but I had to see to this boy before I left. We need just such boys as him in our counting-house, and it would give me great pleasure to have him as one of my employees, as I have been a witness of his honesty, and know that by it he has lost his position."

Jean accepted the position, and served the banking house faithfully and

which draws out our reserve forces and develops latent power. Without this develops latent power. going on on all sides, but through his

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preacher at fifteen. St. Catharine of building of them compact was the Sienna was a zealous tertiary at the abiding-place of an indwelling God, same age. St. Paschal Baylon con-Whose mansion it was on earth, the verted the herdsmen of Aeragon when pattern of the palace of the City of God Aloysius was a saintly child before he was nine years old. When a boy at school St. Dominic sold books to feed house, and as far as in them lay, gave it the poor during a famine then raging, His especial attributes. Not built for and he offered himself in ransom for a mortal man, but for Him Who is without slave when he was but fifteen. St. Louis | beginning or end or length of days, they of Brignolles, nephew of King Louis, was devoted to the glorification of God and the mortification of self at an early age. It is recorded of this child that he arched it over with ribbed stone that would steal out of his royal bed and fire should not prevail against it. From sleep upon the floor in memory of the east to west, from north to south, arch King Who had not where to lay His after arch, receded into dim distances

Charles Borromeo that his singular more remote; all was the reflex of the virtues caused his elevation to the cardinalate at the age of twenty-two. St. of the Godhead. Stanislaus Kostka was but seventeen when he died, after a life which, though but short, had its every minute devoted to God. St. Laurence O'Toole was a model of virtue at the age of fourteen, building."-S. H. Review. and became abbot before he was twentyfive. St. John, the beloved disciple, was only a boy when Our Lord called to him to follow Him. St. Louis, the Crusader, King of France, was but twelve when he ascended the throne and vol-God's honor the aim of his life.

needed not the maturity of years to teach them the better way.

Sanctity and genius, though often a poor Catholic Chaldean woman: revealed at an early age, are occasiontried them. St. Francis Xavier, St. Augustine, St. Ignatius, St. Alphonsus were among those who found the heaven- always remain. path amid the tangled ways of

Each one's life is his own to do with of go unrewarded. Jean, my boy, we hall meet again."

As he will. The qualities of heart and which God has given him must be mind which God has given him must be The bandits poured petroleum over TORONTO, CANADA better, for we are not all set right when "So this is how you appreciate all we make mistakes at first. Early virtue that I have done for you. Leave my presence, and never let me set eyes on early reward.—Catholic Standard and

### WESTMINISTER ABBEY BUILT FOR GOD

A recent number of the London cried the torturers. Atheneum contains a long review of an illustrated work by Mr. Francis Bond on "Westminister Abbey," a book of which the reviewer says:

It is high praise, but well merited, to say that those who know and love the Abbey best will in all probability be inclined to give the first place to Mr. Bond's book amongst all that have been written about the ancient house of Benedictines.

It is when Mr. Bond deals with the place and purpose of churches served by secular canons, regular canons, and monks and especially with the peculiarities of the plan of Westminister Abbey, that tered office bribery and cheating were principles which were essential to the construction of these continuously used main reason for their vast size.

What was this "undoubted main reason?" The reviewer lets Mr. Bond tell us in his own words as follows:

It is no use to look at mediæval churches through modern spectacles; things were not then as they are now. Nowadays, if we see a large modern church, we know that it was built for a large congregation; and if we see a small church, that it is for a small congregation. Paradoxical as it may seem, the largest mediæval churches were built for the smallest congregations. When Westminister Abbey church was built, it was probably not contemplated that the regular congregation would ever reach a hundred. It may seem incredible that a church 511 feet long, 100 feet high, and that cost a million of money, should have been built for a congregation normally under sixty in number. The fact is—and unless it is grasped, it is impossible to understand Westminister or any of the greater churches here or abroad-they were not built for man; but for In churches such as this of Westmin-

ister, overhung by the fretted canopy of the branching vault, beset with statued niche and tabernacled stall, illumined by the welling fires of painted glass, art was more than an aid to devotion an accessory to worship, a beginner and stimulant of spiritual emotion. Pillar 107 St. James' Chambers

St. Peter of Verona was an eloquent were wrought so nobly, because the he was but a lad in his teens. St. immortal in the heavens. And this it was built it stable and monumental; "the laid their foundations like the ground ead.
So saintly was the childhood of St. while through arch after arch were glimpses of half-hidden recesses yet overawing mysteries and the infinity

The Athenæum reviewer says that in this book "Religion, and that in a very special sense, is maintained to be the mainspring of the triumphs of Gothic

## A CHRISTIAN MARTYR OF 1909

Incidents of the heroism of the Christians of Armenia during the outbreak untarily vowed to make the defense of of the Turks against them last April are still coming to our knowledge. St. Agnes, St. Cyril and a host of Here is one that was recounted by the other child martyrs gave up their lives witness to Father Joseph Towil, a Chalfor the holy faith. These young saints dean pastor:

On one of the days of massacre the fierce leader of a party of Turks said to

"Do not be afraid; we will spare your ally of slow development. Some do not life and make you happy, but you must know themselves until the world has become a follower of Mohammed." " I am a Christian," answered the

brave woman, "and a Christian I shall "You refuse? Ah, in that case we will set you on fire."

" Even so, I will never renounce

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," murmured the unfaltering heroine, making

the sign of the cross. Then, clasping her hands in prayer, she knelt upright and silent, as though enduring nothing.

"See, you are in flames, and yet you utter no cry! Do you not feel the fire?"

"So you feel nothing? Well, we will soon dispatch you." Wherewith one of the merciless Mus-

sulmans dealt her a blow with his scim-Thus perished a martyr of the year

moment one may begin to make or begin to break any habit.—William G. Jordan.

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# HOW A WORLD-FAMOUS CURE ORIGINATED

About a quarter of a century ago a well-known general residing in the south of 'reland became possessed of a prescription for the cure of epilepsy which had already proved remarkably successful in a number of cases. Being deeply interested in his suffering fellow-creatures, he, whenever a case of epilepsy was reported in the neighborhood, at once had the sufferer supplied with medicine prepared according to the formula. Such wonderful results were achieved that the good news spread rapidly, and applications for the medicine began to pour in from different parts of Ireland.

Clergymen of every denomination, becoming familiar with the cures effected, were most assiduous in recommending recourse to the Remedy whenever they met with a sufferer. In fact, so numerous, in a comparatively short time, had applicants become that the issuing of the Remedy had perforce to be established on a regular business footing, and the medicine registered as TRENCH'S REMEDY. Its use continued to grow apace, and speedily found its way into every country in the world. It was not long before even more comprehensive arrangements were necessary for the conducting of the expanding business, and about 12 years ago a company was formed and registered! under the title of Trench's Remedies, Limited, with headquarters in Dublin, Ireland.

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