

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN.

Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do that day which must be done, whether you like it or not.

Don't be afraid of work. One thing that keeps young men down is their fear of work. They aim to find genteel occupations, so they can dress well, and not soil their clothes and handle things with the tips of their fingers.

When we see a boy, who has just secured a position, take hold of everything with both hands and "jump right into his work," as if he meant to succeed, we have confidence that he will prosper.

The heart of courage that wins is of the kind that never wavers, that holds out in spite of the most adverse conditions.

It is a comparatively easy matter to be courageous when everything goes your way, when the sun shines, and when you have plenty of friends who have in you, but it takes superior character and great grit to maintain a steady poise when you feel everything slipping out from under you.

Don't want to be told. If you want to advance rapidly in your position, or get on faster in the world, don't acquire a habit of waiting to be told what to do.

A habit of doing nothing without orders or directions is paralyzing to one's faculties and death to individuality and originality. Don't labor under the delusion that to imitate the actions and methods of those above you is all that your position requires.

Keep your eyes wide open for things that need to be done, and do them before you are asked to. You may not be present in the presence of him. Put aside this delusion. There are innumerable ways in which an employee's habits of work are brought to the attention of your employer; and in the near future, the right person will be sure of reward.

One of the easiest things in this world is to be a nobody. And one of the surest ways to do this is to go to a drinking saloon to spend one's leisure time. There you will be sure to find a great company of nobodies, and association with such characters produces nobodies in others.

Boys, are you going to train in the nobodiy gang?—The Advance.

Duty of Catholic Young Men. Philadelphia Catholic Standard and Times. The members of the Catholic Young Men's Archdiocesan Union observed the National Union's feast day by attendance at Holy Communion on Sunday morning last in the various churches.

them for congratulation, and for you it is really something to be proud to say, "I am a member of the Archdiocesan Union of Catholic Young Men."

"Oh, it is a proud thing to be a Catholic and to look back through twenty centuries and see the power used to destroy her and find that there is no break in the chain of golden links from the very day of your own beloved Arch-bishop to the day when Peter, Andrew and James and the rest left that humble home in Jerusalem no longer fearful men, but giants in strength because they believed Christ had come upon them!"

Here Father Bogan referred to the pride felt of old in saying, "I am a Roman citizen and see how much prouder one should be to say truthfully "I am a Catholic." But here arises the question, "Has my Church no claim on me; have I no responsibility?" To be a Catholic means to be a very exemplar in human perfection. It means to have integrity of character; to be pure young men with whom it is a privilege to associate. It means that in public or private life God's eye is on us and that to us is given the honor of God's Holy Church.

Father Bogan related an incident of two Catholic young men of Newark killed by a train, one dying almost instantly. Groups of people discussed the accident. Five young men met in a small shop and talked about it. One said: "Here we are, all five Catholics; let us kneel down and say a prayer for them; and they knelt down in the shop. God only knows how straight that simple prayer of unpretentious piety went to His heart! We are to be the champions of poor young men. We are not commanded to stand on the corners and preach God's word, but into our hearts is sent a ray of zeal, and the Catholic Church demands that we stand for our faith at all times and take the consequences.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS NOT ON THE LIST. BY CHARLES B. YOUNGER. Ralph Holmes, express messenger on a fast night train running from Chicago to Peoria, had discharged his duties in the methodical way that comes with experience and familiarity with one's daily routine of work, and sank into an easy chair with a ride of fifty miles yet before him, and nothing to occupy his attention but his own thoughts, the rumbling of the wheels and an occasional note of warning from the engine.

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A NEW ANTIDOTE FOR ALCOHOL. (From the Times and Opinion, London, Eng.) A recent remarkable discovery in medicine which has been found to annihilate all appetite for alcoholic drink in 12 hours, even in the most habituated, is attracting a good deal of attention among those interested in temperance work. The medicine is purely vegetable, perfectly harmless, and absolutely free from narcotics. Many well known physicians who have carefully studied several patients while being treated during a demonstration given by the discoverer, Mr. A. Hutton Dixon, of Peoria, Illinois, and the various reports of a number of clergymen, philanthropists, and others, are endorsing this new method of being the only physical cure for alcoholism yet discovered which leaves no evil effects. The medicine is similar to drug craves also it is to the new medicine and the beneficial results from its use in aggravated cases are extremely satisfactory. A strong argument in favor of this wonderful cure is the fact that it is entirely free from all the unfortunate victims of these troubles that the medicine can be carried in the pocket and taken in absolute privacy, thus dispensing with the publicity loss of time and expense of an inebriate treatment. A report of the results of about 1000 cases of alcoholism and full particulars regarding this medicine can be obtained by addressing Mr. Dixon, 81 West Cook's Street, Toronto, Ontario. 1217-4.

in every part of the crowded room. The professor had written: "15. Etiology, pathology, symptoms, diagnosis and treatment of tumors of the adrenal capsule."

INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY. We are in receipt of the second annual report of the International Catholic Truth Society, issued from its headquarters, Arbutnot Building, Brooklyn, N. Y. The reports contains the articles of incorporation; by-laws; standing of the society, as reported through its secretary and treasurer, and reports of the library, press and law committees.

True, he was not counted among the seniors of his own school as a candidate for hospital honors. This, he knew, was not because of a poor class record—for in this respect he stood well in the front ranks—but his duties outside of school had made it impossible for him to take the "quiz class"—the review of the work of the whole school course, which is a necessary element of failure all along the line is to be found in the isolated, desultory, local character of Catholic education. Thus, an unjust, poisonous text book will, after much labor, be ousted from the schools of a particular town; how much more profitable to refer the matter to the I. C. T. S.; and thereby bring upon the people the pressure as well as in extending the book for the whole country.

Tired though he was, Ralph did not go to bed at once. The new excitement kept him awake. Sitting down at the table he picked up the first book that met his gaze. Why he did it he did not know, but in doing so he followed a definite impulse—a "hunch," as he was accustomed to say. Running over the pages in an aimless way, he happened to find a particular subject, as he stumbled, as it were, upon a chapter hitherto unknown to him. "Tumors of the Adrenal Capsule," it read.

It must be a useless lot of stuff," he murmured again, as he started to read, "or we would have heard something about it. Nothing else in particular to do, though, so guess I'll glance over it. Might come handy some time."

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With this report which it is our pleasant duty to present to our members and the Catholic public in general Truth Society the International Catholic closes the second year of its existence. A careful perusal of its pages will, we trust, convince them that the kind words of encouragement spoken at the birth of the society and the blessing invoked upon it by so many bishops, priests and laymen have not been vain.

Again, an express has been exposed, ex gr., in Philadelphia. A month later he appears in a distant Western city, and frequently accomplishes his noble mission because the local Catholics may be unacquainted with his history and have neither time nor opportunity to conduct an investigation. This society proposes a simple and efficacious plan: our Philadelphia members will communicate the result of their victory and another member in the supposed Western city as far as possible, such information, which is instantly forwarded. Our aim is to bring together need and supply, although three thousand miles may be between; not to impede or minimize local action, but on the contrary to give it a power and field otherwise unattainable.

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