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CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN.

The secret of success in life is to keep busy, to be persevering, patient and untiring in the pursuit of calling...

The Things Most Worth While. "The pursuits of even the best things," says Cicero, "ought to be calm and tranquil..."

Two men do equally hard work, as some equally heavy responsibilities, live equally useful lives; but one of them wears a perpetual cloud on his brow...

A Wholesome Moderation. We have the better philosophy of life and we have it from Nature, not from brain-fagged professors...

Such maxims as: "Forsake all and gain all." "That which we give away is that which we have." "My pleasure and it will follow you."

One of the strangest paradoxes in human nature is that men struggling, apparently with all their might, to succeed, are yet constantly doing things, saying things, and thinking things which drive the very success that they are after away from them.

Men work like Trojans to get a coveted position, and then by getting puffed up with conceit, or by some foolish or weak act, knock the scaffolding, which they have been years in building, out from under them, and down they go.

Young Ladies who are what is Proper in the asking. Weddings should send the stock. Lynn Side Press

who wields a strong, vigorous pen, but who at sixty years of age is just where he was at twenty. He has had scores of good positions, but he could not secure them because of his indiscretions...

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

TWO BOYS.

Emerson prefaced his essay on "Compensation" with the remark that he had always wanted to write upon that subject. There is a true story on compensation from the salary point of view that I have always wanted to write, and now I am going to do it, says Irving Hancock in a preface to a very successful little "Success" tale.

There were long hours to be served and the work was hard. There were many impatient customers to be waited upon. As both boys lived some twenty minutes' walk from the store, they walked home together in the evening.

"It's not bad for youngsters," rejoined Smith. "It might be worse. Neither boy had any living expense to pay, save for Monday luncheon and laundry."

"I guess you're right. My pay has been raised a dollar a week. A fine return for hard work, isn't it? Did you get a raise?"

"Yes, I've been raised to seven." Brown whistled his amazement, looked very thoughtful for a few moments and then blurted out: "That's a sample of favoritism that goes on in the business world. Whom did you get on the right side of?"

"I don't know," answered Smith, and he told the truth. "I'm going to find out about this," grumbled the other boy, and he did. It was the department manager who supplied the information. While both boys had done everything of a routine nature that was required of them, it had been noted that Smith was always more anxious to please customers in all ways possible to a salesman.

But the matter rankled in Brown's mind. He was brooding over a customer one day when a woman customer approached the lace counter and inquired for a certain make of lace.

"I would like your permission to cut a small sample from every one of those laces in the department." "What do you want of them?" "I want to take the samples home and study them over. I want, if possible, to become so familiar with every make and pattern of lace that I could tell it by touch in the dark."

After a few weeks of patient evening study, aided by the use of a microscope, Smith discovered that he knew three times as much about laces as he had them. He was able to know. Out of his own experience he bought a powerful hand magnifying glass that he carried daily with him to the store. By degrees he was able to demonstrate to customers the relative values of the different laces. The department manager looked on approvingly and added all the information in his power.

At the end of the second year Brown's salary remained at \$10. Smith's pay had been increased to \$10. "Favoritism!" snapped Brown. "I wonder, Fred, why the manager cannot see anything in me. I work as hard as you do." "Not in the evenings," was the quiet answer. "I spend most of my evenings' time studying the laces. Why don't you do the same? You're a good fellow and willing. Come up to the house with me to night, and after supper I'll show you some of the things I've been studying."

THE SACRED HEART.

"O Sacred Heart, we thank thee. Grant we may love thee more and more." This is the sentiment that wells up in the true Catholic heart always, but especially in the month of June, consecrated to devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. June, so beautiful in its sweet, long days, so peaceful and so happy in its warm sunshine, tempered by gentle zephyrs, is given up to the honoring of our Divine Lord and Saviour, in loving and adoring His Sacred Heart, which beats with an endless love, and which boasts its last drop of blood for man's salvation.

Who can tell the depths of love that Heart has for us? It is infinite, it is all-consuming, it is all-sacrificing. We can only have some idea of it when we recall it is the heart of a Man God, filled, therefore, with love human and divine, inexhaustible in its strength, and extending to every creature made to the Divine image.

There is something most touching and consoling when we consider the heart of our Lord. To be loved and loved infinitely by Jesus, the Son of God, is entrancing in the extreme. To remember that He who has saved us, by dying, now lives for us and lives to love us with an unchangeable and everlasting love is beyond all power to understand—we can only understand it in the light of God's infinite goodness and in His infinite power called upon to exercise it. God be praised for all He wishes to be to us, and God give us the wisdom to avail ourselves of His infinite love!

Let our hearts always go out to the Sacred Heart, and beg God to give us that generous and all-consuming love for Himself that He shows to us in an infinite degree. We will be lifted above ourselves and our poor, miserable natures if we only begin to love our Lord and Saviour. The Sacred Heart affords a sure and easy way—for we know that heart beats for each one of us with a love human and divine—and if we correspond with His love, we will grow more and more in the Divine life and be brought at the end of our days to the side of our Lord in heaven, there to dwell with the Father and the Holy Ghost and all the heavenly court world without end. Amen.

Yes, be it so, but to insure to ourselves the love of our Lord's Sacred Heart we must strive to be pleasing to Him by having our hearts like unto His, and hence we are to pray. Make our hearts like unto thine, O Lord, who was one in accord with the will of His heavenly Father. He lives only to fulfill that will, and He was constantly proclaiming it: witness His sayings in the sacred text: "I came to do my Father's will." I came to do the will of Him who sent me, and my meat is to do the will of my Father who is in Heaven.

It was this perfect fulfillment of the will of His heavenly Father that overruled them, and realized our Lord's words that the Father and He were one. So should it be with us, and so it will be if we desire it and ask it in our Lord's Holy Name, for He has said: "Whatever you ask in my name I will give you," and what better will we ask and pray for than that every true lover of our Lord's Sacred Heart pray daily, "Make my heart like unto thine."

As the heart is the organ of life it may be said to epitomize the whole man, and God so recognizes it, for in asking our homage He says, "Son give me thy heart." If we give Him our heart we give Him all that our thoughts, animates; our mind and its thoughts, our will and our entire being, and the offering is worthy and acceptable, and it is giving to God all we are and all we have.

If we give our heart fully and unreservedly to God He will fill it more and more by grace, so that we shall grow in holiness and perfection and become most pleasing to our Lord. We shall have the spirit of our Lord and shall grow more and more like Him—a perfect obedience to the divine will, a constant union with God and a faithful correspondence with His grace will mark our lives. We shall ever walk in the Divine Presence and strive to walk in the path of perfection. We shall imitate our Lord in His charity and mercy in our dealings with our neighbors, and our goodness to our fellow-men would invite them to goodness in turn toward one another. Thus would we spread abroad the flames of divine love with which our Lord's Sacred Heart is burning. "I come to set the world on fire," said our Lord to Blessed Margaret Mary when revealing to her His Sacred Heart all afire with love, "and what will I but that it be kindled."

It is this love for God that this love for men for sake of God that should animate every Christian heart. Such was our Lord's Heart in its degree, and our hearts must become like His, and they will grow so if we ask His blessing and grace to make, O Lord,

PAULIST LECTURES IN METHUEN SEMINARY.

Following the example of the governing body of Oberlin University, the famous Methodist institution of Ohio, which recently invited a member of the Cleveland Apostolate band to lecture before the theological students on Catholic doctrines, Grant University, in Chattanooga, the great Methodist institution of Tennessee and one of the foremost in the South, had one of the Paulist Fathers address its divinely class a few days ago.

At the invitation of the dean of the theological department of the university, Father Healy, one of the Paulist priests, then conducting a mission at the Catholic church in Chattanooga, addressed the students of the department.

The Very Rev. Father Tobin, Father Hayes, assistant priest in charge, and Fathers Healy and O'Hearn went to the university, where the entire corps of theological students were gathered. Father Healy went into his subject thoroughly, so as to explain to the non-Catholics the exact doctrine of the church with especial reference to the infallibility of the church. His lecture was a masterpiece in words and in thought, so lucidly did he explain the doctrines of the church. He subsequently lectured on "The Immaculate Conception."

This occurrence is indeed a rare one in the history of theological schools. Grant University teaches Methodism to those aspiring to the ministry, and it is perhaps unprecedented in the annals of the country that Catholics have been called upon to explain their own doctrines and to expound their own faith. The students reached points in their theological studies which they did not understand, and called upon Father Tobin to expound these points.

The best efforts in behalf of our friends may not blossom into flowers, still they always exude the sweet fragrance of genuine sympathy.

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our hearts like unto thine, Holy Writ says of David that he was a man after God's Heart. This may be said of all God's saints. They had the spirit of God because they desired it, and they co-operated with it, that is, with His grace, and became holy and pleasing in His sight. They were one with our Lord and Saviour, learned of Him and followed Him as He desired all to do.

Do thou, O God, give us this spirit. Send forth the darts of thy grace, and the fire of thy love into our poor, cold hearts, that they may burn with the fire of divine love and live to Thee in all things throughout all the days of this life, and then after this life is over, join those of the blessed ones in the endless joys of heaven. Let each one say "My heart is thine, Thou art always mine."

First Communion Day. O cherished and ever memorable first Communion! Who can ever forget thee! Thy heavenly fragrance brightens the darkest days, sweetens the saddest life! Days of days when this young soul, radiant with grace, full of love, became enamoured of its God and yearned and sighed to be more and more divested of self and lost in Him. Calmly now this poor fragile flower that the least storm would crush or rain will rot secure in His sheltering arms, will grow and flourish in the conservatory of His tender care: will begin under His gentle care this difficult earthly pilgrimage through paths shaded by His love and His Grace—Sentinel of the Blessed Sacrament.

About three years ago my mother had the grippe, which left her body and mind in a weakened condition. At first she complained of sleeplessness, which developed into a state of melancholia when she could not sleep at all. She didn't care to see anybody, had no peace of mind at any time, and would imagine the most horrible things. We employed the best physicians but she became worse; then her sister-in-law recommended Koenig's Nerve Tonic. After a few days she was able to get up and eat and another became very fleshy on account of her voracious appetite, and got entirely well. We all thanked God for sending us the Tonic.

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