

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

THE OLD STORY

"To-morrow," he promised his conscience, "tomorrow I mean to be good; To-morrow I'll think as I ought to; To-morrow I'll do as I should; To-morrow I'll conquer the habits that hold me from heaven away."

CHARACTER

Character, says Father Vaughan, is the one thing God wants, the one thing we can grow, and the only thing we must grow. Politically man is a vote; socially, he is a card; financially, he is a check; when he travels he is a ticket, and when he stays in a hotel he is only a number.

Truly the most important school in the whole world is the mother's lap, the mother's arms. School begins here; but it never ends. We are always learning, always educating ourselves. And the most important thing we can give our Catholic children is a thorough Catholic education.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

ONLY A NEWSBOY

It was a very small funeral procession that wended its way slowly from the King's County Hospital to the Holy Cross Cemetery at Flatbush, the other day. There were no hand-some carriages; only the hearse containing a small, plain coffin, followed by a solitary coach. But the mourning was just as sincere as at the largest and most imposing funeral.

Little Joe first appeared on the streets of New York two years ago. He was small and slight, with great brown eyes, and pinched lips that always wore a smile. Where he came from nobody knew, and few cared. His parents, he said, were dead, and he had no friends. It was a hard life.

There are three strong engravers of character: heredity, environment, and education. Heredity cannot be stopped. If the fountain is poisoned, the whole stream will be. If the tree is foul, how sour and bitter the fruit is to the taste.

Then there is environment. How often do we enter a Catholic home and see not a picture of our Lord or His Blessed Mother—not even a crucifix? What an environment for a Catholic child!

But the hard work and exposure began to tell on his weak constitution. He kept growing thinner and thinner, till there was scarcely an ounce of flesh on his little body. The skin of his face was drawn closer and closer, but the pleasant look never faded away.

The experience of New York City is splendid evidence of that fact. In the New York Call of September 14th, we read that 800,000 children returned to the city schools at the close of the late vacation season. "So much were the schools too small to accommodate the vast numbers that at least 40,000 children will be placed on part time. This is because the new modern schools which the Board of Education asked for were not built this year because of a city administration was bent on giving a business administration and did not dare to spend money that might raise taxes.

An example of the defects in the Public school equipment is given in the case of the Erasmus High school of Brooklyn, which was ordered closed at the last minute by the Fire Department. It had been a place of instruction for 129 years.

ROYAL YEAST advertisement featuring an image of a yeast cake and text: "Has been Canada's favorite yeast for over a quarter of a century. Bread baked with Royal Yeast will keep fresh and moist longer than that made with any other..."

vain attempt: the vital force was gone. "Where is little Joe?" was the universal inquiry. Nobody had seen him since the previous night. Finally he was found in a secluded corner, and a good natured huckman took him to the hospital in Flatbush, where he said he once lived.

"I was afraid you wasn't coming Jerry," said the sick boy, with some difficulty; "and I wanted to see you once more so much. I guess it will be the last time, Jerry; for I feel awfully weak to-day. Now, Jerry, when I die I want you to be good for my sake. Tell the boys—"

That night a hundred boys met in front of the City Hall. They felt that they must express their sense of loss in some way, but how they did not know. A collection was taken up to send delegates to the funeral, and the same huckman who bore little Joe to the hospital again kindly offered the use of his carriage.

Each boy sent a flower to be placed upon the coffin of his friend. He was only a newsboy! This is not a fancy sketch; every word of the above story is true.—New York World.

THE BISHOP OF OXFORD AND "RESERVATION" That the Bishop of Oxford (Dr. Charles Gore) is a decided, and even an advanced High Churchman (writes "Alfonso") is well enough known, and so we are not surprised to find him expressing high Eucharistic doctrine in his October Diocesan Magazine.

DEFICIENCIES IN PUBLIC SCHOOL EQUIPMENT NEW YORK UNABLE TO EDUCATE THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN PROPERLY The blindly prejudiced mind must necessarily be illogical. It does not examine into facts, but widely proclaims to be as its passion and imagination dictate.

And yet, it is at last beginning to be realized that if the much denominated parochial schools, maintained by the private generosity of Catholic layfolk and the sacrifice of the religious orders, were not now in existence, the Public school systems of our cities would be utterly unable to cope with the demands for the education of thousands of children made upon them.

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Over 1,400 boys and girls were turned away," reports the Call, "when the doors were locked by orders of the Fire Department." And it is not merely in the buildings that the trouble of meeting present day conditions is found. The teaching staff is short of the number necessary for proper work.

AS OTHERS SEE THE CATHOLIC CHURCH A Protestant minister of Chicago, the Rev. T. B. Thompson, pastor of the Plymouth Congregational Church of that city, has a keen and clear vision when he looks at the Catholic Church, for he said in a late sermon concerning it:

One cannot help but feel that the enthronement of the Virgin Mary has softened the heart of the world toward womanhood; that it has done much to give woman the place of honor she occupies to-day; that it has put the whole Catholic Church behind the sanctity of the home.

Protestantism has wasted much of its force in a forced rivalism, which would have been unnecessary had we paid wise attention to religious education. We may rail against the parochial school system as being un-American. But the Roman Church existed centuries before there was a United States, and for many of these centuries she was the great agency of enlightenment, education and culture.

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Processions, and the rest, which many even now have hankering after. In our opinion all these are bound sooner or later to follow on a belief in the Real Presence. The sad thing, of course, is that there is no Real Presence in the Anglican churches at all, because there is no priesthood.

CONVERT PRELATES

It may interest our separated brethren to have the names of former Protestants who reached high places in the government of the Catholic Church in America. These include the following names: Archbishop James Roosevelt Bayley, Archbishop of Baltimore, and Papal Delegate.

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THE FUNDAMENTAL FALLACY OF SOCIALISM, by Arthur Preuss. The book should prove helpful to the guidance of workingmen tempted by the sophistry of clever revolutionists to place their trust in the theories of Socialism.

THE SINS OF SOCIETY, by Bernard Vaughan, S. J. A series of talks on the subject of the Immaculate Conception, May Day, during the Season 1916.

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has produced its effect. "Before the War people used to seek mysterious motives in the priority given to the Holy Father's name in the toast 'Pope and King.' All that suspicion is gone, and Catholic soldiers have, as it were, won their spurs in the confidence of the Englishmen." Up to the present about one hundred Victoria Crosses for conspicuous bravery in the War have been awarded, and of these at least twelve are worn by Catholic soldiers. These on their country's list of honor "Catholics are more than proportionately represented."—America.

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THE PATH WHICH LED A PROTESTANT LAWYER TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH by Peter H. Burnett. He takes up and answers the common historical objections against Catholicism; then passes on to examine the chief dogmas that are disputed by Protestants.

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