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# CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

### IF YOU WERE BUSY

If you were busy being kind, Before you knew it you would find You'd soon forget to think 'twas true That someone was unkind to you.

Th If you were busy being glad And cheering people who were sad, Although your heart might ache Wł a bit.

You'd soon forget to notice it.

If you were busy being good And doing just the best you could, You'd not have time to blame some man

#### Who's doing just the best he can.

If you were busy being true To what you know you ought to do, You'd be so busy you'd forget The blunders of the folks you've met.

If you were busy being right, You'd find yourself too busy quite To criticise your neighbor long cause he's busy being wrong

### USE THE PRESENT

Always at some future time it is our intention and expectation to be Death appeared certain. Gemonat what we are not today-to be better, differently, to make more of our lives and work. Isn't it so with you ? Aren't you always looking forward to the day when your besetting sins Virgin, I command thee to do me no shall lose their grasp upon you, when the best part of your nature shall assert itself and you shall become the individual you think it is in you to become—in other words, in you to become—in other words, you crush your weakness and give your best nature a chance ?

Of course you are-you wouldn't be much of a man if you didn't keep such an ideal before you, if you didn't strive each day to improve upon your performance of the day before. You would be standing still, absolutely stagnating if you did not make such

is never too late to be what we might have been ;" and it's true, too, isn't u chief called Neal Mor. One day If you drew a blank yesterday, You have a new opportunity; you have a new opportunity; have a new opportunity have a new o You have a new opportunity; you can begin to do what you might have done; the golden present is yours to with rage, and he mounted his horse make of it what you will.

We dream dreams of the things we are going to do in the future. Isn't the Lord God Himself to battle. this present good enough for us? But we are alwaws saying "to-morrow." Why not "today?" Why not There's never a better time than On which suddenly a strange thing right now

Do you know that because we have this putting off habit, because we have learned to say "tomorrow" with the sword in his hand, was listed of "today" we miss half the lifted high up into the air and then joy of living; we miss the pleasure that is in hand looking forward to the pleasure that may be; we to this day, and the castle is still miss the chance of doing good work because we are thinking of the fine thing we are going to do next week. We walk along blind and deaf to so utterly by the vengeance of God. much that is ours for the takingwe're really only half alive, most of us, we use neither our bodies nor horse was cast up out of the earth ; our minds to their fullest and best. need to have these ideals, to the terrible chief who had braved the reach higher always, to look ahead. but don't let's miss the present; don't let's lose all of today in thinking of The stone figure is still preserved at tomorrow.

### IMPOSSIBLE

What do you want to be? What would you like to accomplish ? Decide for yourself. Will it firmly. Use the necessary means. Keen if persistently. And you'll after get it.

Every day we live we see the thing that is "impossible "performed, the dream of some man with vision com-

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In dust, or cold or heat. A thousand praise the boy who wins,

But twice ten thousands rise Beyond this world of clamorous dins To praise the boy who tries.

LEGEND OF THE SCAPULAR The following beautiful incident is related in the "Chroniques du Carmel": A Christian named Joseph nat, was on his journey toward Baghdad. He passed through the desert of Killa, in which there were many lions. Whilst nearing Samona, Joseph suddenly heard the roar of the dreaded beast, and in another moment saw it furiously rushing toward him. The poor traveler abandoned all hope of escape, and his horse stood and shook with fear. recommended his soul to God and then taking his scapular from his breast held it before the lion and said : "In the name of the Blessed stringed harp, without the spilling of At this the lion stood still, ceased to roar, turned and fled. The Prefect-Apostolic, together with many and bore testimony to its truth. Thus as on many occasions was

verified the promise of our Mother, that the Scapular is "a safeguard in danger.'

#### LEGEND OF NEAL MOR

There is a great hole or well near the River Suir, always filled with

water, whose depth no man has yet It was George Elliot who said : "It fathomed. Near is a castle, which in olden times belonged to a powerwhile his servants were saving the and drew his sword, and rode forth to the field ; and there he challenged And he swung his sword round his "to- head and struck at the air, as if he would slay the Great Invisible Spirit. happened, for a great whirlwind arose and the earth opened and Neal cast down alive into the great hole,

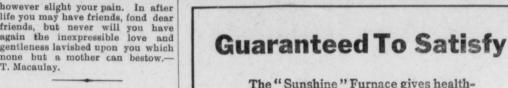
called Poulmor, which may be seen standing by the margin. But no trace of Neal Mor or his steed was ever again beheld. They perished

But, some time after his disappearance, a rude stone figure seated on a and then all men knew the fate of wrath of God, for here was his image and the sign of his destruction. the castle, and tradition says that if it were removed the whole castle

would crumble to nieces in a single night and be cast into the Poulmor. -The Monitor.

## TWO CHILD SAINTS

On May 12 is celebrated the feast day of one of the young virgin martyrs of the early church, St. Flavia Domitilla. She was the little niece The Goths and Vandals invaded ing true. Men said that it was im. possible to float a boat of iron and emperors of Rome, and also a niece Italy. The Saracens overran Spain. The Anglo Saxons took possession of England, routing the native Britons During these disorders and revolutions, literature was abandoned and Flavia Domitilla to a far island religion was more or less neglected. called Pontia, because she, too, was for "during war laws and letters are a Christian. During her banishment silent. on this island she lived with two Meantime Ireland was in the enjoy holy servants, and spent her time in ment of comparative peace and devoted herself to the pursuits of science. While the sons of Europe and Britain After the death of Dometian another wicked emperor ruled in Rome by the name of Trajan. buckled on the sword, the sons of Ireland were wielding "the pen which Flavia Domitilla returned to her is mightier than the sword." The native city, but was burned to death consequence was that a multitude of by the order of Trajan because she would not sacrifice to false gods. young men flocked from the continent and England to Ireland, to pursue in Another youthful saint and martyr, peace the paths of literature which were closed to them in their own whose feast day is also on the 12th day of May, is St. Pancras. Hundreds and hundreds of years countries. The Venerable Bede informs us ago, to be exact, in the year 304, a very wicked emperor ruled in Rome that poor scholars were not only educated gratuitously in Ireland, but whose name was Dioclesian. He did everything horrible to the Christians that they were also supplied with books and board, free of all expense. try to make them give up their Indeed a temporary residence in Ireland was then considered almost religion and adore the heathen gods. Sometimes he would give them to indispensable to acquire literary the lions, at other times torture fame them on the rack and yet again at But Irish saints and scholars were not content with fanning the flame of to the birds." other times he would have them beheaded. religion and knowledge in their own During one of these persecutions country, they also carried the torch boy named Pancras was of faith and science to the most dis-tant parts of Europe. Irish missionbrought before the emperor and accused of being a Christian. The cruel king tried to make Pancras aries could be found on the banks of the Danube and in the Apennines. sacrifice to the false gods, but the They spread the Gospel in Denmark, little boy knew that would be wrong. Sweden, Norway, Gaul, Switzerland, He knew that Christ had died for the Low Countries, and even in him, so he was brave enough to Britain. willingly give his life for the faith of And is not Ireland repeating to-day Christ. He was only fourteen years for the United States what she has already accomplished for Europe order of Dioclesian. Is not this country chiefly indebted to her for its faith? There are few



### ARDINAL GIBBONS ON T. PATRICK AND HIS WORK

#### In his profoundly interesting pair of volumes devoted to a "A Retrospect of Fifty Years," His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons has a special chapter on "The Apostolic Mission of the Irish Race," in which the almost miraculous Avatar of St. Patrick on Ireland is dwelt upon in most impressive periods, as to its significance in the province of historical development and the theory of the eternal fitness of things and the choice of instruments by Divine Wisdom, among the multitudinous races of mankind, by which to carry out His mighty plans. The fact that a single Apostle converted a whole nation of Pagan people highly gifted, emotional and warlike, but yet so lofty and spiritual in their native aspirations that their national symbol was the beautiful form of a winged woman, radiating into the shape of a

one drop of human blood while the transformation was taking place, has no parallel in history, before or since. The additional fact that that nation, won to the Christian religion solely by love and the grace of God, has clung to it with a constancy that no power of persecution or temptation could shake, for fifteen hundred years, is not less remarkable, in a world of change and vicissitude. Cardinal Gibbons has, no doubt, emphasized the significance of these portents, on more than one occasion, as explana. tory of the title which Ireland had

for centuries before the Christian era borne-the Isle of Destiny. In his Retrospect " he selects a discourse delivered by himself in St. Patrick's Church, Baltimore, on March 17, 1871. We select a few of the more striking passages from the noble discourse, as follows:

The conversion of Ireland was effected without bloodshed. The Apostles of other nations had to seal the Gospel with their blood before it bore fruit in the hearts of the people. "The blood of martyrs was the seed of Christians." The pioneer missionaries of America and of China, as well as the first Apostles of Continental Europe generally sacrificed their lives in the cause of Christianity before their labors were crowned with success.

But to the honor of Ireland be it said that her children were never stained with the blood of martyrs, St. Patrick gained over them a blood. less as well as a rapid victory.

The conversion of the nation bore abundant fruit. So numerous and so flourishing were the religious institutions which sprang up on the Island that it has been justly called "the Island of Saints" (Insula Sanctorum.) The venerable monu. ments scattered over the country, and imposing even in their ruins, attest the splendor of her ancient churches and monasteries.

Ireland deserves also the title of Island of "learned men," (Insula Doctorum.) During the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Centuries. Europe was devastated by hordes of barbarians who rushed like a torrent from the north, carrying with them ruin and devastation everywhere



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by the counsel of men that we are often thought about it since." sent hither, but by the will of God, In this, the convert coincides with a view expressed recently in Amer-ica by Floyd Keeler, an Episcopalian Who hath made us His humble minister who has made his submis-sion to the Church of St. Peter. Mr. The Catholic religion is as intimately interwoven with the annals of Ireland as the golden threads which Keeler showed that there is grave necessity for conditionally baptizing are interlaced in a garment of cloth. And as the fibres of the gold give converts from the Episcopal church, due to the carelessness of ministers beauty and brilliancy to the tissue. in giving the sacrament. He gave as his belief, based on personal so the ecclesiastical annals of Ireland, intertwined in her secular hisobservation, that baptism was not given validly in many cases by the tory, impart to it a thrilling interest

and brighten every page. Tear from Irish history the golden Episcopal clergy. annals of her religious struggles, her flery persecutions, her triumphs of To resume our original story, the gentleman who was a member of the -leave these out, and Irish hissuburban congregation later joined tory becomes a thread-bare narrative the parish of St. Mary the Virgin, without interest, without connection. New York city. This is one of the Highest " churches in the Anglican

Ireland without her Church, and fold. The clergymen are all called her priests would be like Rome withfathers," like our priests, and mass out St. Peter's majestic dome, or like that Basilica itself without its is celebrated regularly, in English. The services differ in some points from ours, but they look so much like Holy Catholic rites that an Irish Ireland without the Church would be like Jerusalem of old divested of girl, according to a story that is her sacred Temple and her venerable told, attended them for an entire High Priest. Ireland without the Church would be like her own deseyear before she knew that she was not in a Catholic church. The Engcrated and ruined monasteries, stripped of her ancient glory, with lish, when chanted or used in the

mass prayers, can scarcely be distinaltars dismantled, shorn of their guished from the Latin as used in interior beauty, with nothing of them left save tottering walls yield-ing to the decaying hand of time. churches. Confessions are our heard regularly. The clergymen of this parish be

In a word, the history of Ireland without her sacred traditions would lieve in consubstantiation, but not transubstantiation ; in other words, they believe that, in the Mass, Christ be like the records of the Jewish becomes truly present in the bread nation with their religion left out. The Hebrew race are interesting to and wine, but they do not accept the Holy Catholic teaching that the us not simply because they are descendants from Abraham or because bread and wine become the Body and they went down into Egypt, or Blood of Christ.

Bishop Potter, Episcopalian, was a because they settled in the Promised Land; but because they alone of all low Churchman. He did not go to the nations of the earth preserve St. Mary the Virgin's to confirm unless it was necessary, and, when he the true religion and because amid all their faults, they still remember did go, the priests used to remove the Host and leave the tabernacle So are the people of Ireland interdoor open. They did this, said the esting to us, because in every vicissi-tude they "kept the faith once convert, because they were afraid that the bishop would do something delivered to the Saints." and because which might be construed as disre they displayed an indomitable religspectful, in order to show his lack of belief in the Real Presence. ious heroism worthy of the primitive

days of the Church. - Philadelphia " Finally," said the convert, " the inconsistency of it all came home to me, and I started to investigate, with the result that I am a Catholic today.



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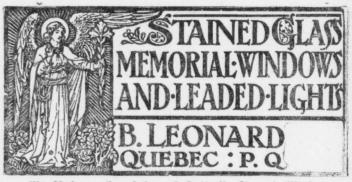


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looks difficult to us, well-nigh impossible. We're very sure we can't accomplish it, it looms before us mountain high—but we can do this thing. We don't do it in a day nor in a month, but we can do it by keeping it ever before us, by climbing inch by inch. Sometimes we slip back and sometimes the jeers of others, the wet blankets, the prophets of evil, those who have no faith, no vision, discourage us, but we must learn to look ahead, to keep our eyes and our mind on the task in hand.

STRIVING TO IMPROVE

Edison, with his marvelous achievements, has taught us what those can do who take for their motto, "I can do better." When, after a long trial, he received a satisfactory report from the superintendent of his cement plant, the one remark Edison made The only way to keep ahead was : of the procession is to experiment. If you don't, the other fellow will. When there's no experimenting there's no progress. Stop experimenting and you go backward. If old when he was beheaded by the anything goes wrong, experiment until you get to the very bottom of the trouble."—Catholic Columbian.

"God," says St. John Chrysostom, "thunders long before striking with His lightning; and, even then, He strikes but with one spark." God awaits us patiently, pardons us with-out delay, and triumphs at our amendment, to that dear voice, notice the feeling of even a single touch that is be-stowed upon you by that gentle hand! Make much of it while yet fathomable love of those eyes; the kind anxiety of that tone and look,

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churches erected from Maine to California, from Canada to Mexico which Children, look in those eyes, listen to that dear voice, notice the feeling Irish hands have not supported and

CONVERT TELLS OF HIS HIGH CHURCH EXPERIENCE

Standard and Times.

A convert to the Catholic Church, a former Episcopalian, has given The Denver Catholic Register an insight into some of the things that led him to Catholicity, and his story

is decidedly interesting, particularly in view of the claims put forward by the High Church party to being a branch of the Catholic or universal Church.

This gentleman was reared a Presbyterian, but never formally affiliated with that Church, turning, instead, to Episcopalianism when he was old enough to decide for himself

what fold he wished to join. He was then a resident of New York state, living in a semi-rural district close to New York city, working in the city. The rector of the Episcopalian church there was an extreme low church man.

"Many a time," said the convert, after communion I saw him throw the fragments of the bread left over Can you imagine this happening

with a genuine priest? The min-ister, undoubtedly, did not believe in the Real Presence, hence his act, from his point of view, was not at all sacrilegious. But many High Church Episcopalians do adhere to the Real Presence, and, in their eyes, the action of the minister was as profane as if a Catholic priest were to open the tabernacle and throw the consecrated Hosts to the birds. While it would be an aid to unity were the Holy Catholic Church able to recognize the validity of Anglican orders — this question was definitely settled in the negative by

very unusual. Few Episcopalian clerics would act as he did.

Scarcely any conversion to the Holy Catholic Church is without a struggle. This man was forced to undergo a terrific fight with himself. He feared that his conversion meant the severing of all ties that bound him to the past. But he was brave enough to take the step, and has since had the consolation of having another dear relative follow him into the Church.

This same relative, when he was converted, said to him : "You had better deed over all your property to me before those Catholic priests get it."-Denver Catholic Register.



Devotion to the Rosary has been the salvation of many a home, for what harm can enter into the place where the Mother of God is loved and honored. Our Holy Father has given to her the beautiful title "Queen of Peace" and has ordered this title added to the Litany. Referring to this fact the Archbishop of Cashel recently made an eloquent plea for "the family Rosary' as a means of obtaining the blessings and graces essential to happy living.

I specially recommend you to have the family Rosary," said the Archbishop. "Say it at home with your family, that will bring a blessing on every member of the family. Have a fixed, definite hour, and insist that every member of the family will be in for the Rosary. By doing that you will bring down the grace of God on your family, and will save every member of your family from temptation. I hope that this grand old Irish practice of saying the Rosary every night will be fully and entirely carried out in the parish." Pope Leo XIII.—it is fortunate indeed, from our standpoint, that realized not only in Cashel, but the New York clergyman was not a genuine priest. His case, however, to revive this beautiful practice that we learned in our youth, but that children to day are not learning, "Not only in this case, but in others," declared the convert, whose The second secon

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