

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

DISCONTENT

Every young man, seeking to make the most of his life, should endeavor to fit himself for the work most congenial to him and to find opportunities to advance in it.

Next to getting at a proper occupation and making progress in it, the young man who wants to get along in the world will save some of his earnings, regularly, every week, as a rule, regardless of almost what sacrifices he must make in order to practice thrift.

Then the young man, considering that it is the vocation of most grown persons to marry, will study how to prepare for matrimony.

Meanwhile, he may very properly pray God to give him a suitable helpmate, and he may himself look around to find one.

Love-making is all right when conducted in the fear and as in the presence of God. Catholic young men of the right sort take no improper liberties, and Catholic young women of the right sort allow no improper freedom to be taken.

STOP THAT SLANG

There is not much reverence in the way an entire generation talks and the terms heard on all sides.

There was lately a young man, "smart as a whip," and "up to snuff," who "knew the ropes," and yet was out of a job.

Then children are frequently referred to even by parents as "the kids." Such slang produces similar fruit and creates disrespect for parents and for those who refer in that way to children.

As people grow older they should respect themselves, they will inculcate, by example, proper respect on the part of others.

Desire is the father of possession; whoever desires obtains.—Chateaubriand.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

HISTORICAL CATHOLICS

Catholic school children will be interested to know how many familiar personages in American history possessed the same faith as they do.

The discoverer of the Pacific Ocean was a Catholic, the renowned Vasco de Balboa.

The discoverer of Florida, John Ponce de Leon, was a member of the same church.

The discoverer of the straits which bear his name, was a Catholic, Ferdinand Magellan.

The discoverer of the Atlantic States of this Republic was John de Verrazani, a Catholic.

The discoverer of Lower Canada and the River St. Lawrence was James Cartier, a Catholic.

The discoverer of the main land of North America was the Catholic, John and Sebastian Cabot.

The founder of the oldest city in the United States—St. Augustine, Florida—was Peter Melendez, a Catholic.

The Catholic, Sir George Calvert (Lord Baltimore), was the founder of Maryland.

The discoverer of Lake Huron was the Catholic monk, Joseph Le Caron, O. S. F.

The founder of Quebec and discoverer of Lakes Champlain and Ontario was the Catholic, Samuel de Champlain.

The missionary of the Iroquois was the Jesuit, Isaac Jogues, and the Jesuits are Catholics.

The first missionary of the Hurons was John de Brebeuf, Jesuit.

The first Governor and chief Justice of Maryland was Leonard Calvert, a Catholic.

The first missionary in Maryland was Andrew White, Jesuit.

The discoverer of the Upper Mississippi and the apostle of the valley of that river was the Jesuit, James Marquette.

The Ohio River was first discovered by De la Salle, a Catholic.

The first Catholic Governor of New York was Thomas Cogan, an Irishman. His commission bears date of September 30, 1682.

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CRUCIFIXES UNINJURED

RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS IMMUNE FROM DESTRUCTION

The curious fact that crucifixes and statues of Our Lady seem to be immune from the general destruction in France and Belgium makes a great impression upon the British soldiers.

One of them, Lance-Corporal J. E. Morgan, of the East Lancashire regiment, writes home, says: "It is very queer that when the Germans shall these Roman Catholic churches the crucifix and the Virgin always remain safe."

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peetation, till the dawn of Easter, when the risen Jesus set him free.

This combination of devotion to St. Joseph with prayers for souls in their agony appeals strongly to us at this particular time, when a terrible war is being waged among Christians, resulting in an appalling destruction of human lives.

Some day we too must pass through death's portal. If we are charitable with our prayer for others, we shall not be without powerful friends in that dread moment.

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themselves as worse than they actually are; they are afraid that they will not make their sins bad enough; and thus, through fear of one mistake, they fall into another.

IMITATION AND THE REAL

A Protestant clergyman of New York City, the Rev. Dr. Henry Marsh Warren, has hit on the plan of instituting a sort of Protestant Confessional.

The small number of suicides among Catholics is due, in the main, to the ability of Catholics to enter the confessional box, and there, unknown to the spiritual adviser, bare their souls and hearts, and go away buoyed up by the knowledge that, no matter how hopeless the case, there is a Supreme Being, Who, in visiting trials and tribulation upon humanity, always provides for the reward for such suffering.

It is our object to supply that consolation and encouragement to those outside the Catholic Church by establishing this headquarters.

We have here a striking illustration of the inability of Protestants to understand Catholic doctrines and practices.

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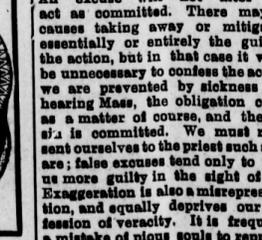
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BURIED IN HIS ORCHARD

The last obsequies of Right Rev. Magr. R. E. Benzon took place in his last novel, for he had been buried in his orchard just below a wooden cross which he himself had erected some time ago, the grace being specially consecrated by Cardinal Bourne, who officiated in person at the funeral.

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