CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

JUST WHISTLE A BIT Just whistle a bit, if the day be

And the sky be overcast.

If mute be the voice of the piping lark, Why, pipe your own small blast; And it's wonderful how o'er the

gray sky-track
The truant warbler comes stealing

But why need he come, for your soulis at rest?

And the song in the heart! Ah! that's the best.

Just whistle a bit if the night be drear And the stars refuse to shine;

And a gleam that-mocks the starlight clear Within you glows benign; Till the dearth of light in the

What matters the absence of moon or star

The light within is the best by far. Just whistle a bit if there's work to do
With the mind or in the soul,

And your note will turn out a talisman true, To exercise grim toil.
It will lighten your burden and make you feel

That there's nothing like work as a sauce for a meal! And with song in your heart and a meal in its place!

There'll be joy in your bosom and a light in your face.

Just whistle a bit if your heart be

Tis a wonderful balm for pain; Just pipe some old melody o'er and Till it soothes like summer rain.

And perhaps 'twould be best in a later day, When death comes stalking down

the way, To knock at your bosom and see if your fit,

Then as you wait, calmly, just whistle a bit! SCRAPS OF TIME

One of the commonest complaints among people, busy and otherwise, says a writer in the Liguorian, is:
"I have no time." When there is a letter of friendship to be written, or a favor to be done, or a duty to be fulfilled—not so often, of course, when there is question of a meal or enjoyment or of something else we like to do—our little self-justifica-tion machine is always ready with the convenient excuse: "No time!" The truth of it is that, on account

of the way we arrange or do not arrange our lives, there may often be a great deal to the assertion. But in this regard, we might take a little hint from great and busy men, men whose many duties and manifold achievements astound us and make us ask :- "Where did they get time to do it all?"

A man of that stamp was Father E. Bridgett, C. SS. R., a busy missionary, and still the author of books. We catch a glimpse of his secret in a little incident-

taken from his life.

Father Bridgett had great diligence in study. One day a companion came to him complaining that he would study but could get no considerable free time for it

'If I were to wait for considerable free time," answered Father Bridgett, "I should never study at all; my study consists in utilizing scraps of time I find between one occupation and another.'

THE LOVE OF DUTY It is not the desire of pleasure, or indeed, any motive of self-interest that helps man to advance towards the higher life, and to attain a nobler development of his faculties. For pleasure and ambitious aims derive their force from selfish crav ings, and cannot sustain the spirit in those circumstances which call for the sacrifice of personal advantages, and for the exercise of virtues congenial to the soul's

purest aspirations. Duty is a quenchless star which gives safe guidance to him who would lead the ideal life, and by the ideal life I mean that which is free from influences hostile to its

growth in the practical love of truth and perfection.

The principle of duty, unlike those motives which spring from self-love, depends in nowise on outward recognition. Independent of external circumstance, it is rooted in the soul and under the Divine protection is able to withstand every assault. Like a mighty

"Looks on tempests, and is never

"Looks on tempests, and is never shaken."

We may bear the truth in mind with advantage nowadays when so much is heard of men's rights, and so little mention is made of men's duttes. No man lives on earth who is free from manifold obligations to his Creator and his fellow-men, and whosoever devotes himself to the faithful discharge of those duties will take the most effectual means of safeguarding his rights, and will find himself not at all tempted to talk about the latter. It sometimes happens that those who are loudest in proclaiming their rights show little respect for the rights of others.

It is not duty merely, but the love of duty that arms the soul with patience and courage to fulfil its obligation, and to the acquisition of

this love, grounded as it is on reason and faith, we are incited by

that rules the heart and consecrates

the lowliest duties of life.

Nor should we believe that we are alone while we strive to live and work in this spirit of love. The Invisible Intelligences sent from Heaven to guard us day and night are at our side to help us. Our Blessed Saviour and His Saints, which have left us the encourageglooming skies, ment of their own example, bid us take heart and strive manfully.

Surrounded by much to tempt and weaken us, we must needs look upwards and onwards and believe firmly that it is in our power, through the light and strength of hope, to attain what is best and highest in the loving service of God highest in the loving service of God and men. In such an enterprise we have as our friend and Father that Infinite Being Who has loved us with expression of the missionaries of their own people, but the possibility of developing a native clergy seems far distant.

"In view of the immense distinguishment of the same time, after the company of the immense distinguishment of the immense distinguishment

and we grow day by day in the love of truth and spiritual perfection.

Wherever a noble life lives there goes out from it an influence subtle

Those love truth best who to And what they dare to dream of, dare to do

-Father Michael Watson, S. J., (Within the South.)

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

CLIMBING UP THE HILL Never look behind, boys,

Up and on the way Time enough for that, boys, On some future day. Though the way be long, boys, Fight it with a will; Never stop to look behind When climbing up a hill.

First be sure you're right, boys, Then with courage strong. Strap your pack upon your back, And tug, tug along; Better let the lag-lout Fill the lower bill,

And strike the farther stake-pole Higher up the hill. Trudge is a slow horse, boys, Made to pull a load.
But in the end will give the dust To racers on the road. When you're near the top, boys,

Of the rugged way,

WORDS OF WISDOM

their school work will be known by the progress at times discouraging.

"The first act of Christian woron. Neglect of duties now, shirking work, distaste for religious duties. Gospel and the administration of

The sins of youth penetrate the marrow of the bones. A studious and religious boy or girl, a successful and beauty or girl, as uccessful and access to the control of ful and happy man or woman. Time changes no one. The future shows the development of youth. Let us heed the warning, take time by the foreclock. Weeds grow rapidly and rank, and choke the good seed. Operations and strenuous efforts must often be resorted to, if only they are heeded. Otherwise a bad and sad future is ahead.

Training, education, religion, in-dustry, virtue, cannot be started too

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which He submitted to the darkness and toil of a human existence in fulfilment of His Father's Will, and out of love to His brethren.

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It was through love that He wrought the world's redemption, and He wishes us to work, also, in the spirit of love, which spurs the soul to the achievement of great deeds, and is the master influence that rules the heart and consecrates. Brother Anselm

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A certain wise man wisely remarked, "Ambition without talent is helpless, but talent without ambition is hopeless." How true this is can be partially known by a superficial consideration. But profound meditation will acquaint one with the profound truth inclosed in the words. The time of all times to acquire, to develop and to cherish ambition is that of early manhood. Earlier than this such a trait could readily prove baneful and injurious; all later than this it would, and generally does, prove useless and of no avail. Take a man with ambition is certain wise man wisely remarked, "Ambition without talent broperly. For instance, there is the properly. For instance, there is the ching the protection, and the showing the twentpeller. For a few weeks. Also th Infinite Being Who has loved us with everlasting charity.

To act with courage and perseverance through belief in God's overruling Providence ennobles the soul in the discharge of lowly duties. We thus increase in our hearts charity toward all men, no matter how they may differ from vs in religion, politics, race or country, and we grow day by day in the love of the immense dislapse of a few years, would require tances and the lack of means of transportation, with the vast expenses which travel would simply be a case of simple impossibility. While the one has fretted the other has toiled and troubled. Where the one has lain down and waited for opportunity to come and derrick him, the other has an derricked opportunity to the continued, "an army of men and a huge amount of funds would be required to evangelize the country.

HELP FROM SOUTH NEEDED

"In view of the immense distances and the lack of means of transportation, with the vast expenses which travel would involve," he continued, "an army of men and a huge amount of funds would be required to evangelize the country, and we grow day by day in the love. gone and derricked opportunity from the very depths of scheming chaos and ruin.

The one meanders along like the and persuasive as the sunshine, and lazy waters of a brook—shoved in by life-giving as the heat which calls that which comes behind it. He into being the foliage and flowers and fruits that enrich and beautify the earth's surface.

that which comes behind it. He moves slowly and invariably takes and aupply the sinews of war."

Other denominations are represented to the moves of the moves ance. He moves at the urging, the instigation and the shoving of He not only looks for this route but

> Who of the two young men-the peppy, the ambitious one, or the lazy devil-may-care one do you prefer? Your answer should be followed by imitation for it pays in every walk of life no matter from what angle you may care to consider it. Of course, like nearly

TRIALS

TWENTY PRIESTS STRUGGLING AGAINST TREMENDOUS DIFFICULTIES

The great American Northland, Alaska, first consecrated and dedi-cated to God by a Catholic priest in 1779, today, after the passage of 146 years, sees 20 priests laboring valiantly against tremendous odds to keep alight the flame of Catholicism in its cold reaches, said the Right Rev. Joseph R. Crimont, S. J., pine Islands, a unique experiment

on. Neglect of duties now, shirking work, distaste for religious duties, tardiness for Sunday Holy Mass, will grow stronger.

Idle boy, ragged man; silly girl, "It was the work of two Franciscan Fathers, John Riobo and Mathias, chaplains of the frigates Princess chaplains of the frigates Princesa and Favorite, commanded by Naval Lieutenant Don Ignatius Artega of the Spanish Armada and Lieutenant

eastern Alaska.

TWENTY NOW IN FIELD

'Today, 146 years after that star of Christian hope arose and twinkled early in life.

A ROSARY STORY

Gluck, the great musician, was a pale, delicate boy. His parents were very poor, and they begged the priest of the Cathedral in Vienna, where they lived, to let their son the content of the field to the content of the

reason and faith, we are incited by the authority of a great example. Christ came to pay the world's ranson, and the nobility which crowned His career on earth sprang from cheerful humility and fortitude with which He supmitted to the dark, is religious practices. In the conturies of Christianity. and the Indians in the South make staunch, fervent, thorough Catho-lics, said Bishop Crimont. They

DIFFICULTIES ARE GREAT

Many difficulties face the Alaska missionaries, he continued. In the first place, they came too late. Then there is the confusion of the

Christian sects — the "babel of tongues"—and the bad example of some of the whites.

One of the greatest drawbacks, however, is the difficulty of reaching the propole and instances in the second section. ing the people and instructing them properly. For instance, there is the King Island tribe—cliff-dwellers—who come to Nome in the summer

the missionaries of their own people, but the possibility of developing a

"The best suggestion that can be offered as to method whereby the people of the United States might assist in the work of the Alaska missions is that well-to-do parishes

sented especially Presbyterians, Episcopalians, Methodists, Lutherothers who are up and going. The other man—the one with ambition steps along with shoulders erect, with his head up and looking for a quick but not necessarily easy route to the fullfillment of his desires.

He net only leaf for this route here. weapon of prejudice against the Catholic missions, but as a rule there is peace and mutual respect in dealings. The Protestant missions are well supported by their Board of Missions, and in some instances boast at having at their disposal unlimited resources.

For a number of years, the bishop said, by a courteous arrangement originated by the Superintendent of everything else. The exception tions, but again the exception proves the rule. Make the world a little better by your having lived in it. Have some ambition!—The Columbian.

Sisters at Holy Cross, Akularok and Nulato received a salary, together with a fair supply of fuel, light and goods to be used for the benefit of the Indians and Esquimaux. It was a great help, but all subsidy was a great help, but all subsidy ceased two years ago. The attitude of government authorities, however, is generally very friendly.

FILIPINO STUDENTS TURN CATECHISTS

PUPILS OF JESUIT COLLEGE IN MANILA MEET WITH REMARKABLE RESULTS

Time does not change anything. Vicar-Apostolic of Alaska, here to A thistle will never bear roses, nor attend the annual meeting of the Ateneo de Manila. As the A thistle will never bear roses, nor will a copper penny ever become a golden sovereign. "As the twig's bent, the tree's inclined." Those boys and girls who are diligent in their school work will be known by instruction work in their towns. With vacations finished, the results tabulated exceed the most sanguine expectations. Sixty-three Catechism centres were either organ-ized or assisted by these student-apostles, with a total of over five thousand children on the rolls. For a vacation work, the achievement was almost incredible.

> HOW APOSTOLATE WAS CARRIED ON Juan Francis de la Bodegaut d'allors on a seven month voyage of exploration along the coast of the extreme Blessed Virgin, and from its Catechetical Section had received some chetical Section had received some but in this class of work. But "The spot thus privileged lies in the southern end of Prince of Wales Island, Bay of Bucareli, in south-would continue this apostolic work would continue this apostolic work when away from the school and the help and encouragement of the directors, was not at all expected Their flaming zeal extended over the whole length and breadth of the islands. From the northern tip of Luzon in Abra, down south through Ilocos, Pangasian, Nueva Ecija, Pampanga, past Manila to the Bicol provinces and on to the Visayan Islands and Mindanao these Catechism centres were functioning throughout the torrid tropical vacation months. Here in a small nipa house, there out in the midst of a great sugar plantation, now in one of the ancient battered churches, or in the spacious basement of the mansion of a "principale," the young apostles toiled on, heeding not the discouragements, the heat, the obstacles. In most cases, the hoped for cooperation from "grown-ups" was lacking, and not a little opposition was met with from com-panions who could not understand this strange desertion of picnic and "paseo" and dance hall for "teach-

> > PROTESTANT LIBELER OF CHURCH SILENCED

ing catechism.'

Some of the individual accomplishments were remarkable. In

Both the Esquimaux of the North one town almost four hundred children were on the lists, with classes held every morning and afternoon The student-captain was strongly cautioned to moderation, but so ardent was his zeal for the little children that he would take no rest children that he would take no rest except on one afternoon of the week. In another town, a young boy of First Year High School organized a centre in an unpromis-ing field. The result was a centre of over two hundred. One boy con-ducted a centre with five different languages being taught, due to the town being the converging centre town being the converging centre of Pampangos, Pangasians, Tagalos and Ilocanos. Another spent an evening in attendance at the lecture

HIDDEN JESUIT CHURCH TO BE DISCLOSED

London, Eng.—Built behind a row of stores to shield it from the view of the people in the main street, the noted Jesuit Church of St. Aloysius at Oxford is now to celebrate its golden jubilee "coming out into the open." stores are to be demolished and the church will proclaim its existence to all passers by.

The building was purposely erected behind the stores because fifty years ago Catholics were barely tolerated in the old university city. If they showed them-selves too prominently there arose a cry of "Roman aggression," with the result that anti-Catholic feeling was stirred up. In those days even the sacred precincts of a church were not safe from insult and dis-

turbance by rowdy bigots. Conditions have changed, and Catholicism has made such progress in Oxford that there are now seventeen churches and chapels in the city where Mass is celebrated daily. In its fifty years' history, 1,300 converts have been received into the Church at St. Aloysius.

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