CHATS WITH YOUNG

GOD GIVE US MEN

give us men. The time demands

MEN

Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and willing hands

Men who can stand before a dema-

without winking;
Tall men, sun crowned, who live above the fog

the coming of vacation. God made men in such a way that they cannot go on forever without relaxa-tion. The overworked body and just as nature makes night follow result of exhaustion as of laziness.

But like all other good things vacation has its own peculiar dangers. Hands that are free only too often reach out for the for-bidden fruit. Minds, empty and unoccupied, become the happy hunt-ing ground for the wild beasts that each and every one of us has within himself. An unlimited amount of That swings in a mother's fond emhimself. An unlimited amount of free time begets easy-going ways. In relaxing for a brief space we very often lower our ideals. Just because we seek to change the dreary round of daily duties, we sometimes go the lergths of utter dissipation. Hence, many a man returns from abroad less a man returns from abroa than when he set his foot in the direction of summer resort amusement park. Experience proves that many a man is less prepared to take up the burden of caily duties, after vacation, than ne was when, ground down by work, he laid aside the tools of his wonted occupations. It takes every man a week or more to rid himself of the distaste for work after the enervating days of vacation.

But perhaps the saddest havoc is wrought by vacation in the soul. There is little danger of our falling whilst painfully dragging after us the yoke of lab r imposed upon us by a loving Father as a penacce for our sins. Just because most of us are creatures of habit, we practice our religious duties best when we perform our daily tasks most conscientiously. Since vacation is a time of no importative tasks we easily beguine any treatment of the control time of no imperative tasks we easily beguile ourselves into thinkgive up those practices of piety which preserve us from serious falls, gladly meet and willingly consort with people abroad with whom

covered that the human body and mind recuperate quickest, not by an entire stopping of labor, but rather by a change of occupation. Absolute rest induces mental rust and physical flabbiness. The best will be treated, free of charge, at exercise is that which brings unused the clinic. Also, the nurse is not muscles into play. Therefore, the best vacation is a season of new play, new thought, new endeavor. The happiest vacationists are those who escape from the monotony of every-day life into the bracing air of fresh labors.—Rosary Magazine.

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SUCCESS IN LIFE

Success in life seemed to be the predominant theme of the com-mencement addresses delivered at the closing exercises of the secular colleges throughout the country. Formulas varied with the mental outlook of the speaker, but all seemed sicklied over with worldli-ness. The end of life placed before the average college graduate was simply to succeed in life without advertence to the more important

life that is to come. In striking contrast were the addresses delivered to the graduates of our Catholic colleges. These also stressed the importance of success, but with this difference, that the emphasis was placed on success know! Our pe in this life rather as a preparation for success in the life to come. The advice of commencement speakers at our Catholic college closings breathed the deep religious spirit that alone can protect youth from the materialism of the age, and help them onward and upward to the

true success In his short but carnest and practical address to the graduates of Boston College, Hs Eminence the Cardinal treated the theme of suc cess in life. His Eminence reminded the young graduates that the man who has appeared to have failed may have wrought the most trium-

phant success, for the real value of this life is not in the money made, not even in the glory achieved, but in the truth that men follow faithfully to the end. Then he uttered these words that should be long cherished and followed by those who cherished and followed by those who heard them.

Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and willing hands
Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office cannob you of it. The world will try to; there comes the test for the moment. You may totter, you may stagger, you may even for the moment go down, but that means nothing. With your hand in the hand of Christ, with your soul dedicated to eternal truth, for His sake you will soon rise, and without pay-Men who can stand before a demagog
And damn his treacherous flatteries without winking;
Tall men any growned who live cated to eternal truth, for his sake you will soon rise, and without psyling any attention whatever to the voices of friends who sometimes flatter too much, or of enemies who nexta year he to Se Tall men, sun crowned, who live above the fog
In public duty and in private thinking!

J. G. HOLLAND
VACATION TIME

Those who have put every ounce of heart and energy in their work during the winter months have been looking forward for many a day to the coming of vacation. God made

come what may you cannot fail."
Would that every coilege graduate words furnish of the meaning of success in life. And what a practitent grinding at the wheel. If we are to do the best that is in us we must vary our work with a success in the. And what a practical guide they give for the battle of life in which every young graduate must soon be involved. as nature makes night follow come what may you cannot fail," is a rule of conduct that if followed must inevitably bring true success

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

CONTENTMENT

It reddens the glow of a chubby

It's the song you hear by the fisherman's door, As he stretches his nets on the sandy

It's the quietness at the vesper When nuns are treading their cloistral bower.

It smiles through the wrinkles left Antonio ventured again.
by care "No, no," Sister shook her head,

hair.

ing that it is a seas of no religious restraints. Without the least Doctor Millord, our worthy health fear we frequent dangerous places, officer, assured me that many chiller than the services of a nurse.

"How co you know that, Sister? Doctor Millord, our worthy health class: "Today, I shall give you a officer, assured me that many chillers the continuous places, of the continuo officer, assured me that many chil-dren attending school, apparently well, are really in need of medical

sort with people abroad with whom we should not care to be seen at home. Is it any wonder, therefore, that the sweet aroma of a good life evaporates easiest during vacationtime?

It is a serious mistake to think It is a serious mis that vacation is an absolute cessation of work. The best observers of human nature have long since disincur the expense of medical attention unless it is absolutely neces-

sary."
Doctor Millord tells me that where the parents are too poor to have! A pay for treatment, their children snake!

her black hair uncombed, jumped up from her desk, to make an elaborate bow as she wished her beloved teacher "Good morning, Seester." Father glanced at Sister in quizzical

'Maria leaves early every aftermana leaves early every afternoon," she explained hastily. "She
is the oldest of six children and
usually is quite neat. Her mother
is now at the hospital with a new
baby and Mr. Farelli is a laborer working long hours for small pay.
With the help of a kind neighbor little Maria is caring for the children and home—and she attends school regularly and never misses a

The smile faded from Father "I know, Sister, I know! Our people here are good, doing their duty as they see it. better perhaps than many people on the atenue. I did not intend to criticize the parents or their chil dren. They are poor, hard-work-ing, in spite of their large families and many obligations. I know that they do not welcome innovations and fear you will have trouble introducing the nurse. But it is an order from the Board of Health and

liness was next to godliness." A few of the Sisters insisted that the children must be kept crean so the little ones were often sent home but the big heart of Sister Mary Margaret would not cause distress. In her three years' teaching in St. Joseph's, she had come to know many of the parents, particularly the mothers, quite well. To her they brought their troubles and always her sweet smile and words

or advice gave comfort.

"Johnny is so bada boy; but nexta year he to Seester Mary Margaret go an' he be so gooda den," more than one mother confidently repeated. And Sister Mary Margaret did have wonderful influences over her provide. ence over her pupils. Even that stupid, lazy, talkative boy, Antonio Fugazzi, gave her a semblance of obedience that none other could exact.

It was a little after ten the next morning when Father Dillon ushin the country would ponder this advice. What a true concept these gown, starched cap and voluminous apron. In her hand was a black leather bag. The explosion of "oh's" and "ah's" at the unusual visitor did not quiet the Sister's nervousness as she greeted the

> With business-like abruptness, the with business-like abruptness, the nurse placed her bag upon the Sister's desk and faced the children. "My dear children," she began, looking at them through the heavy, shell-rimmed spectacles. "I am a nurse! Now, who can tell me what a nurse is?"

She looked expectantly over the room at the puzzled, open-mouthed countenances before her. No one seemed to know the answer to her question. Then, a glimmer of a smile passed over Antonio Fugazzi's face The white garments of the nurse had given him an inspiration. Up shot his hand.

Ah, that is good. One boy ows. Now, what am I?"

knows. Now, what am I?"

"You walka in da May Process'n for da holy Mother Mary. Yes?"

"No, no, Antonio," Sister answered hastily. "How could Miss Walker be in the May Progession when this is February? The children dress in white for the May devotions and he thought your costype of the torque o "Well, den, may be as how de lady make her firs' Communion?"

On the brow beneath that old gray frowning at the boy, hoping to discourage further remarks; but Antonio still had one more occasion

"Little boy, I am very much short talk on the care of the teeth and will give to each one of you a toothbrush and a tube of paste. When I return next week, I want every one

See, I unscrew the top from the tube, press it gently and out

snake! A lee-tla, white snake crawl all over da gold.
Yes!" In his excitement, do da snake get all gold. too?"
Silence! Then a white hand shot grasped a black leather Antonio Fugazzi had jumped to the top of his desk and was waving his wildly as he shouted: "A silence! Then a white hand snow out and grasped a black leather bag; a white clad figure fairly ran the floor; the door of the

"Sit down, Antonio," Sister said ernly. "Sit down at once." But sternly. the boy did not seem to hear her. His eyes were fastened on the tube

da-grass what we light on da Fourth o' July, only it don'na make no whizzzzzzz,'' he exploded expressively.
"Silence!" demanded Sister Mary

Margaret while the nurse pretended to ignore the outburst of the boy. "Now, you must spread the paste on the brush like this, and then you proceed to clean your teeth," and she put the paste covered brush to

her mouth.

"No, no!" Antonio screamed in agony "Seester, you tella da nurse lady, she should not to eat da lee-tla snake. Snake-in-da-grass is poison. Yes! M' mudder say so! M' brudda, Giovanni, he eata da snake-in-da-grass on da Fourth o' July, an' he to da hospital go. Yes!"

"Antonio!" Sister Mary Margaret's patience was long-enduring.
"It is not a snake that Miss Walker has put on the brush. It is tooth paste that will clean the teeth. Now, do be quiet or I must punish you when Miss Walker leaves the

Sure, Sester, but-"

ducing the nurse. But it is an order from the Board of Health and we are forced to obey."

"When may I expect the nurse?"

"Tomorrow morning, I think."
Sister Mary Margaret had grave reason for apprehension over the coming visit of the nurse. St

"Sure, Seester, but—"

"Sure, Seester, but—"

"N.w., children, watch me scrub while they watched with necks stretched forth and eyes opened wide in wonder, she gave a graphic illustration that betrayed every is told by Ave Maria in the case of



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tooth in her mouth. Also it be

trayed something else which Antonio was quick to perceive.
"On, nurse lady, you is gotta
teeth what on da back has gold on

lika my mudder's weddin' ring."

Unfortunately the nurse's teeth, though white, straight and even, were not the ones with which nature had supplied her but were what is known to the dental fraternity as "bridge work." The lady snapped her mouth shut and glared at the

boy. "Will you keep quiet?" she de-"Sure. Say, nurse lady, did dey a grow in da mouth like dat?

The lady's face was red with indignation. Father Dillon seemed to be suffering from an attack of the ague, as he leaned against the wall not daring to meet either the

Sister's or the nurse's eyes
"Antonio, be silent!" Sister Mary Margaret's voice was so harsh that the boy held his peace. But he was not satisfied. Impatiently, he wiggled over his bench as the nurse concluded the talk she had arranged for the first clinical visit. Finally, she replaced the brush and paste in the black leather bag and turned to the class for a parting word.
"I shall return to this room next

Be sure to use your tooth brush morning and night. I believe that is all now. Er-if there is anything that you do not understand, of course you may ask me questions." She paused expect antly and Antonio Fugazzi's hand

shot up.
"I do not think there is anything more Antonio need know." Sister frowned at the boy, hoping to instill fear into him. But Antonio did not ower his hand.

"I do not like to leave a class with anything unexplained," Miss Walker said slowly as she studied the boy's face.
"You need not bother with
Antonio," Sister assured her. "He

asks a great many unnecessary questions She nodded, gazing speculatively at the boy's gleaming black eyes.

"Antonio, is this question you wish to ask important?" "Sure, nurse lady, it is—"
"You feel that you must know the answer, Antonio?"

Sure, nurse lady, I-" "If I answer this question, will it assist you to clean your teeth and

Sure, nurse lady, I-" "I am glad that at last you have

decided to be serious. What is it you wish to know?" Antonio jumped to his feet, scratched his tousled head and de-manded: "When the lee tla white snake crawl all over da golda teeth,

across the floor; the door of the schoolroom banged and the nurse

lady was gone.
Father Dillon sputtered and coughed. He mopped his red face with his handkerchief, and looked His eyes were fastened on the of paste in the nurse's hand.
Oh! It is jes' like da snake-inwhat we light on da

with his handkerenier, and at Sister Mary Margaret:
"Well, Sister, the first visit from the company of the company of

the clinical nurse is over."
"It is," she agreed with a sigh Then she smiled brightly: "And as a certain little girl said of wash day, 'I can be glad that there won't be another for a whole week.'"— Mary Clark Jacobs in Rosary Maga-

HOW A HUMORIST WAS CONVERTED

Outsiders have found their way into the Church by many and devious paths. In the most unlooked-for circumstances they have discovered circumstances they have discovered the clue that led them out of the labyrinth of unbelief. Stories of conversions show that through the means of what, at that time, ap-peared to be mere commonplaces of life, they were led to the City of God. A word dropped without much thought by this or that person; a Catholic periodical nicked we to a Catholic periodical picked up to pass an idle moment; a Catholic prayer book glanced over through mere curiosity; a church visited; a Catholic acquaintance spoken to— these and other most ordinary

Sir F. C. Bunand editor for many years of London Punch. A busy writer of quaint and humorist comment on current happenings, he had never given religion or polemics any serious thought. He was a member of the Church of England, and apparently quite satisfied with the institution. Almost the only thing he was serious about was his editorial work for, as he himself said: "It is no joke to find bread for a family of six by making jokes." So he was constantly on the lookout for material for his

work.

One day, in pursuit of such material in an old bookstore in London, he picked up a copy of St. Augustine's "Confessions," a book which though he had often heard of he had never read. He took it to his office, knowing from experience that even in the most unexpected places one sometimes finds hints and suggestions valuable for one's work.

The book lay open on desk when an Anglican Bishop called. Concluding at once that Mr. Burnand was on his way to "Rome" as there had been a number of conversions rec ntly, the good bishop asked the humorist solemnly "Have you really considered the step you are about to take?" "have considered it very carefully, replied the humorist, thinking that the question related only to some projected, irreverent use which the bishop feared might be made of St. Augustine's great work. "Well," said the Bishop, "come to me tomorrow, and I will show you reasons against it."

Burnand went, and the bishop explained to him the Anglican posi tion. He listened respectfully apparently much impressed by the cogency of the reasoning of his right reverend friend. "I shall now show you how weak the Roman position is," went on the bishop, having finished his argument in favor of Anglicanism—"Oh, pardon me," said Burnand, "but don't you think, Your Lordship, that Cardinal Newman would be the best man to go to for the Roman position. You have interested me deeply in a subject to which I confess I have never given any thought. It is a most important matter now as I see from your words; and I do not think it would be fair to myself or to a subject so vital, to decide at once about it. I shall take up the Roman side of the question with the Cardinal."

He went to see Cardinal Newman and soon after entered the Church, remaining until death a very fervent, zealous Catholic.

Let us stop the progress of sin in our soul at the first stage, for the further it goes the faster it will increase.—Fuller.

Behave as at a banquet,—take with gratitude and moderation what is set before you, and seek for nothing more. A higher and diviner step will be to be ready and able to forego even that which is given you .- Epictetus.

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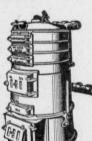


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