

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

NEVER SUCH OPPORTUNITIES

"Never in the history of the world were there such wonderful opportunities for young men as at present," says Mr. Charles M. Schwab, of the Bethlehem Steel Company...

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

LITTLE BROWN HANDS

[The following lines said to have been written by a girl fifteen years old, were pronounced by John Boyle O'Reilly the finest words he ever read. He published them four times and declared he liked them better every time he read them.]

They drive home the cows from the pasture Up through the long, shady lane, Where the quail whistles loud in the wheat field;

They find in the thick, waving grasses Where the scarlet-lipped strawberry grows;

They toss the hay in the meadow, They gather the elder-bloom white; They find where the dusky grapes purple In the soft-tinted October light.

They know where the apples hang ripe, And are sweeter than Italy's wines; They know where the fruit hangs thickest On the long, thorny blackberry vines.

They gather the delicate seaweeds, And build tiny castles of sand; They pick up the beautiful shells, Fairy loaves, that have drifted to land.

They wave from the tall, rocking tree-tops, Where the oriole's hammock nest swings; And at night-time are folded in slumber By a song that a fond mother sings.

Those who toil bravely are strongest, The humble and poor become great; And from those brown-handed children Shall grow mighty rulers of state.

The pen of the author and statesman The noble and wise of our land— The sword and the chisel and palette, Shall be held in the little brown hand.

—ANONYMOUS. ST. RITA

St. Rita, "the Saint of the Impossible," is another saint who spent some part of her life in a monastery. Rita was an Italian girl, born of poor and intensely religious parents.

There are many people who seem to think that happiness is a thing, like a house or a dress, that you can get hold of and keep, as if it were a possession of your own.

Learn to SEEK HAPPINESS

Teach yourself to respond to everything lovingly or cheerfully, to see beauty, to enjoy the society of other persons, to delight in work, to find enthusiasm in play.

FALSE STATEMENTS'S

False statements are constantly being made against the Church. Seldom are they retracted, even when attention has been called to the slanderous nature of the charges.

ABOUT STODDARD'S CONVERSION

The late Charles Warren Stoddard thus describes his conversion: "I was groping in the dark when a little light threw a ray across my path, suddenly, unexpectedly, as if a star had fallen, I found a copy of the 'Poor Man's Catechism'."

to create a silver sympathy, I cannot say. . . . It never occurred to me for one moment that I was attacking the Roman Catholic Church (who could attack that Church on the side of its services?) and I am grieved to say that it never occurred to me, as it ought to have done, that such a statement might give pain to people whose work for the poor I am not worthy even to praise.

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November 22, was the fifty-fourth anniversary of the death of the famous French priest, Pere Lacordaire, and on that day in many churches throughout France, Masses will be offered up for the repose of his soul.

THE TRANSFIGURATION

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