Some Bointers For Our Young Men.

Young men just starting in an office, should carry with them a spirit of being willing to learn it to him herself, saying: "Dfink it for me!"

No, thank you!" he replied.
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No dol's she urged him, "as a lavor to me on my birthday."

"Please don't press me." he said. as I have made a promise not to drink."

"Oh, do," came from some one on wards, and by punctuality, honesty, politeness, and an interest in work, to be able to gain the confidence of their employers, and then their success is assured. But if arrogance, presumption of knowledge, not being willing to profit by advice, seem to be stumqling blocks to many of our young men starting in business life, There is another source from which a still larger number can trace their downfall—bad company. From this source springs drunkenness, fondness. willing to profit by advice, seem to be stumpling blocks to many of our young men starting in business life, There is another source from which a still larger number can trace their downfall—bad company. From this source springs drunkenness, fondness for late hours, neglect of the sacraments, loss of character, use of profane language, reading of immortal literature, a bravado spirit, and finally, loss of health, which generally brings them to an early grave. It is sad to think that so many of our bright and promising young men should wreck their future career and happiness by coming into contact iness by coming into contact the devil's special friends and with the devil's special friends and agents. Their nice manner of speaking and acting, their little attentions, and their apparent sincerity of true friendship, seem too often to be only a net in order to catch their innocent victims. Little by little are they drawn by the wily tempter into sin's alluring ways, which generally starts in the glass of liquor taken in a saloon. Oht how many a young man who can trace his downfall to this enemy of man's happiness and prospects here below, and which becomes his eternal perdition hereafter. A few words about how he began may not be out of place here.

There were tears in the eyes of the company they directly as at the other process of the state in the glass of liquid process of the state in the glass of liquid process and the control of the control he did not know his strength, but now things have changed, and like a mad horse he plunges onward in his maddening career. Can he not cure himself? Evidently he can, if he would but "try." Here's where the point comes in. He has never cried halt in his mad and killing career, never taken issue with himself. Young man, be wise in time, and remember that although war has slain its thousands, liquor has slain its tens of thousands, liquor has slain its thousands, liquor has slain its the night of your career or life is rapidly drawing to a close for you, yourself are hastening it with quickening steps by your lotions of poison, and you may like too many others, all a drunkard's grave. The chasm of destruction is around you, but you appear not to notice it, until the body worn out by dissipation, night marauding, etc. has laid you on a bed of pain, and in a few days all is over as regards this earthly career. Can you safely say if you have sufficient consciousness left before you expire, that you have fought the good fight?" The answer is, no.

A few days ago I was sitting down in a country place taking to a friend, when a respectable looking young man alighted from the car and came over and took a seat near my friend. After being there a few moments, I perceived a smell of liquor. The young man who was not there fifteen minutes, said that he had a few cents left in his pocket, and invited my friend to the nearest saloon to have "a bowl" as the expression goes My friend, by the way, who was at one time a hard drinker, but who for yoars has not touched it, excused himself, by saying that he had given it up completely. The young man then turned to me, and asked me to accompany him to have a drink. But I told him that he could not I told him that he had more tried hard enough. He then left us to take a sleep in a field more the class of the sas gone my

commencing.—Each year a large number of our Catholic students in ish their course in their respective classes, and start out in commercial life. They enter an office, they are given certain work to do. After a short time at the work, a spirit of discontent takes hold of them. They imagine they are too small, and they give up in disgust. On these two points—pretending to know too much, and small wages cry, hundreds of our young men ruin the future A young man who has not a little patience, and work his way gradually to the front will never be a success in any position of life. Ambition is a very good quality for our young men to possess, but when it is not regulated by prudence, and common sense, it becomes a tottering plank instead of a firm support. Young men just starting in an of-

of the incident, joined the group and said:

'I admire your grit, Fred; you are made of the right metal.''

After the party the head of the house said to the daughter:

'Why did you persist in asking Fred to take the punch? Don't you know that his father fills a drunkard's grave and that over the corpse the lad was made by his mother to yow never to taste a drop of intoxicating liquor? He is the most agreeable young man that I know, and he must have had a hard battle to keep his word to-night. Thank God that he remained the victor. I would not have had you to be the means to make him break his promise for all the world!"

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There were tears in the eyes of the girl as she answered:

"If I had only known, I would not have asked him. O, I'm so sorry."

'It was the time of innocence and truth.

Of blessed trust which never knew a fear,

Of little troubles which did soon

or little troubles which did soon disappear
Of pleasures which increased with every year;
Life's bithesome hours were found in days of youth."

PRAYER AND THE SAURA-MENTS.—The young man should not forget that the two great props on which he has to rest in his moments of trials and temptations are prayer and the sacraments. That part of the Lord's prayer. "Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from eval, Amen, should often ring in his ears, knowing also that the apirit

on my return I found that the sickness had made alarming progress. The number of victims had reached twenty, six having succumbed on one day, four on another We were now no longer able to keep up making coffins and digging separate graves, but were obliged to carry the poor lil-chd bodies to the long, trench that was prepared for a day shead, covering them with canvas or boards and earth.

Many were the wretched sights to be seen as the plague progressed. We used to go slopping along in the mud under a downpour of rain that lasted over a month through the little village of tents and cashins hunling out the unfortunate victims with our rumbling dead-cart, while all around in the dark we heard the fatal cough and groans of sufferers soon to die. It was a dismal work indeed. The very dogs had ceased to how, some forever. Overlooked in the general distress the poor things

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