

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

THE NEED OF THE WORLD
The world is needing you and me in places where we ought to be; Somehow today is needing you To stand for what you know is true, And needing me somewhere today To keep the faith, let come what may.

The world is needing you and me To share the tasks it has to do; It needs high-minded men to stand Against the thoughtless of the land; Men who will scorn to stoop to wrong To win the favor of the throng.

The world needs humble men to toil, Men who will till a patch of soil, Men who behind their work can see More than its gold and silver fee And choose to serve where best they can Their country and their fellowman.

The world needs honest men today To lead its youth along the way, Men who will write in all their deeds The beauty of the spoken creeds And spare advantage here or gain On which deceit must leave its stain.

The world needs men who will not brag, Men who will honor Freedom's flag, Men who, although the way is hard, Against the lure of shame will guard. The world needs gentle men and true And calls aloud to me and you.

The world needs men of lofty aim, Not merely men of skill and fame, Not merely leaders wise and grave, Or learned men or soldiers brave. But men whose lives are fair to see Such men as you and I can be.

thing, will it, will it firmly, will it persistently, make the necessary means, and you will get there.

KEEP IN GOOD HEALTH

When some one was congratulating Mrs. Carlyle on the work of her famous husband, she said very truly, "But think, man, what he would have done if he had had a digestion!"

Not even a genius can do his greatest possible work when handicapped by ill health.

Health is the first wealth. There is nothing which pays a human being so well as to keep in robust, vigorous health.

When the blood is pure through eating pure food, scientifically prepared, and through right living habits, we are in little danger from the health enemies that might otherwise attack us.

How can you expect to win in the great game of life, in competition with giants, if not only multiplies his power, but saves him many a doctor's bill, by protecting him from the thousands of disease germs that would otherwise attack him.

The grand prizes of life depend upon entering the race every day in a superb condition, with every faculty intact, with all your reserve power ready to back you in any emergency that may arise.

The power of every success asset is multiplied by every bit of improvement or increase in physical health, because robust health means the intensification and strengthening of all the mental faculties.

Well might Emerson exclaim, "Give me health and the day, and I shall make the pomp of emperors look ridiculous!"

The foundation of all success and of ordinary happiness lies in perfect health. Health means confidence; it means hope; it means courage; it means faith in one's self and faith in others.

It is not enough to be free from pain or distressing symptoms of any kind. The health that counts is the super health, the abundant life which radiates buoyancy, virility, magnetism.

It is the sort of health which gives the sparkle to the eye and elasticity to the step, the health which sharpens the wit and puts lime in the backbone.

It is the health that protects us from physical bankruptcy at times of great mental stress or physical strain, in emergencies of all sorts.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

DO SOMETHING
Do something for somebody always; While jogging along life's road; Help some one to carry their burden, And lighter will grow your load.

Do something for somebody gladly, 'Twill sweeten your every care; In sharing the sorrows of others, Your own are less hard to bear.

Do something for somebody, striving To help where the way seems long; And the homeless hearts that languish, Cheer up with a little song.

Do something for somebody always, Whatever may be your creed— There's nothing on earth can help you So much as a kindly deed.

OBEDIENCE

Obedience is a word seldom used now-a-days. It has been left out of the marriage vows, as, indeed, it seemed wise to do and one hears it so little that it has an unfamiliar sound.

Children do not obey their parents as they were expected to do a generation ago and very generally the spirit of revolt against rules has spread from one field to another until no place is left where the word or its intentions can house.

Make up your mind that whatever needs to be done in this world can be done, will be done, by somebody. If you lack the ability or the grit or the determination to do it, there is probably some one not very far from you who can and will do it.

for the well-being of our young people.—Catholic Sun.

SIMPLE HONESTY

In a beautiful valley of the "Haut Valais" tourists often love to stroll from the great hotel to the quaint little villages around.

No madam, no reward is needed: they would be surprised at it and it would spoil their native honesty.

Two days after the brooch was found by a little shepherd boy and brought to the priest, who returned it to the lady.

This latter contented herself by dropping an offering into St. Anthony's box which was in the little village church, but how in her heart of hearts she admired the simple honesty of those plain, rough mountaineers as she compared them with the city throngs and their struggle for more, always more!—Alas!

"THANK YOU," NEVER HURTS

A small boy had a message to deliver to an elderly captain of industry. Afterward the man of affairs met the boy's father.

"Your boy will succeed," he said sententially, "because he is polite." One of the best features of every boy movement is that it teaches the market value of manners.

Of course it does not tell the growing lad that the forms of courtesy will put money in his pocket. It does not tell him that he can capitalize "Please" and "Thank you" in dollars and cents.

It is such small trouble to use these ceremonies that require but the flicker of an instant of time. And if more dies are caught with honey than with vinegar, have we not often seen how politeness wins where rudeness loses?

What is the use of rushing about the world knocking each other over in the hurly-burly of our eagerness to embrace an advantage, when the world resents such roughness and yields its prizes instead to those who are graceful and graceful?

Many persons have many of the sweetest virtues of character and "miss out" because they are too late. They come when the party is over and the fiddlers have gone home, and there is nothing left for them but confusion and regret.

They attend a committee session long after it has assembled, figuring that everybody else will be late and so they might as well be dilatory too. They are amiable pests in society and business. They have to be ruled out when it comes to transactions that must be put through on time.

The American army abroad was an efficient army because it moved at the zero hour; it kept its appointments with the enemy and its rendezvous with Death.

Another superior point of good manners is to listen. He has not learned to live aright who interrupts in the middle of a sentence—any more than he who talks too long or too miscellaneously.

The world wants people in whom the world can repose its confidences—and you cannot tell anything to people who listen with half an ear and half a mind.

A great leader of men and of measures declared that this rule for success could be put in one word, "Concentration."

He shut out from his mind the extraneous thoughts; he shut himself in with the main idea whenever he was considering a project.

So his thoughts moved arrow-swift to the mark, not to be diverted. When he listened the business of listening engaged him; and when he spoke he did nothing but speak.

He didn't talk over the heads before him to posterity; he talked directly and fully to those present.

A vastly successful shipbuilder and steel magnate knows the secret. When he is with you, he is with you only. He seems to be thinking of nothing and nobody else. You feel pleased and inwardly warmed, believing that your business must actually be of moment to this powerful personality.

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WHY ARE WE DIFFERENT

We hear it said very often that the faith of Catholics today is weaker than that of their forefathers. There is some truth in this. Reception of the Sacraments was less frequent in the last generation than now.

Of course it does not tell the growing lad that the forms of courtesy will put money in his pocket. It does not tell him that he can capitalize "Please" and "Thank you" in dollars and cents.

But it teaches him the lesson that the Beasts of the Jungle taught Kipling's child hero, Mowgli—that a civil tongue in his head will carry him far.

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Never will the human soul be put out of business in human affairs. "Things never yet created things." It takes people—real people—to stir people. Until the earth shrivels to a cinder and turns utterly cold—as long as our little speck in space is populated—personal influence will count, and in personal influence the deferential and considerate manners that are born of a genuine goodness of heart count primarily.—Catholic Sun.

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