

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

WHY DO THE IRISH LOVE IRELAND?

Why do the Irish love Ireland? Arrah, an' you never'll know! You've got to be born to feel it, You've got to be borned to do so; There's a sweet little boy and the horse...

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

WORTH HAVING

If a string is in a knot, Patience will untie it; Patience can do many things, Did you ever try it? If I could only buy it, I should like to buy it, But you and I must find our own, No other can supply it...

BENT NAILS

"Draw the nail out carefully, my boy. Be careful not to bend it." "I could straighten it, if I did bend it, couldn't I?" The carpenter smiled into the earnest face of the young man who was learning the trade under his teaching...

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SELF-MASTERY

Self mastery is the work of a lifetime, and it must begin in small ways. The following suggestions towards its accomplishment are offered by Father Wilberforce, O. P.: In general strive to learn to refuse to nurture everything not necessary. Strive to give to self everything he would refuse without reason, through whim or mere inclination. Self asks some minutes' rest after being called; refuse even a second. Self wants to consult ease and comfort in sitting or lying; do not listen. Self wants to indulge comfort posture in prayer; refuse. Self suggests that prayer might be shortened; if possible prolong it. Self longs to speak, to say a sharp thing; be silent. Self tempts you to be melancholy; for love of Jesus, be sweet and joyful. Self wants revenge; do good. Self is offended with some one; look kindly at him. Self wants to say an unkind thing of some one; say a kind one or be silent.—Exchange.

PERSONALITY COUNTS

What is personality? It is a commodity very difficult to define. Some persons repel us—to others we are strongly and instinctively drawn—and often the reasons for the repulsion or the attraction baffle analysis. Certain vulgar and disagreeable traits at once establish some whom we meet as undesirable—with others the qualities that are distasteful are more subtle, and for a space of time they may be hidden, till some accident brings them out. Commonly, we learn to care for those who, in an amiable sincerity, manifest an affectionate solicitude toward us. Most of the world is impersonal. It deems us ruthless hard knocks. It does not ask us how we like to be treated, and when it has bowled us over and bruised us it does not call at our door to inquire how we are this morning. It maintains (or so we feel) a studiously cold and calculating indifference. But out of this unfeeling world, which is no better than neutral when it is not actually hostile to our poor little plan of action, our modest cherished dream, our desire to get ahead, our hope of better things, now and then some rare and beautiful being emerges to make a difference in our thoughts and days. Suddenly we are conscious of a personality—a radiant and quickening presence—"a being breathing thoughtful breath," one that seems to display a genuine concern in our goings, one

IF YOU WANT TO RISE

If you want to rise in the world you must raise something else. If you want to rise in business, raise the business you are in. Don't imagine that when you have given your life to lifting up a business the house will try to keep down the man who raised it, any more than a man can rise out of the water and keep down the life preserver that raised him. No man can do a dollar's worth of work for a dollar. When you are working for nothing but a dollar, your work will not pay out more than twenty cents. To do a dollar's worth of work you must work for a dollar and something more. You must work for the love of the business or for the love of something—for something more than the dollar. A mere hireling never does any more than fifty cents worth of work for a dollar. He may meet the requirements as to quantity, but never as to quality. So long as a man thinks of himself as a hireling, he will never hitch his wagon to anything but a pay envelope. A large employer said the other day that he never distributes his pay envelopes without putting in them an inspirational leaflet—just a bit of printed matter to encourage his men, to spur their ambition, to incite them to higher endeavor, to make them need more than money. They need an encouraging word.—Exchange.

LITTLE SISTER RABBIT'S ADVENTURE

"Hello, Bunny! Come down to the pasture with me and nibble clover." "Can't go today Jack. Mother left me to take care of Little Sister and told us not to go beyond the Big Pine." Bunny Cottontail felt very proud to be trusted at home with his sister, while his father and mother went after supplies. The two children had been playing hide and seek, and while Bunny was hiding down by the Big Pine, cousin Jack came along. While they were talking, Little Sister bounded down the hill and found Bunny. When she heard Jack's plan, she cried, "Oh, come on, Bunny! Let's go. It will be such fun, and besides, I'm hungry." "But don't you remember that mother told us not to go farther than this?" "But she didn't know Jack would come along. She would let us go, I'm sure." "Well come along if you want to. I'm on my way," said Jack. Little Sister was wifful, and with a hop, skip, and jump she was after Jack, and Bunny was left alone. He called to her, but the louder he called the faster she ran, Jack bounding ahead with his little tail waving like a white flag. Bunny realized that the only thing he could do was to follow. Little Sister was in his care. Suppose something should happen to her! "Mother, dear, you'll forgive me for going. Little Sister didn't think," he sighed. "Somewhat she never does." And Bunny raced after his naughty Little Sister. Jack saw him coming and cried, "Hurry up! Bunny's coming, and if he catches up, no clover for you."

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By Rt. Rev. F. J. Muldoon, D. D., in Extension Magazine. The charge that a Catholic cannot be a patriot has a familiar ring. It is not a new one. The Church lives again the life of her Divine Master. The same false charges that were made against Him are periodically made against His Church. The last cry that the Jews raised, against Christ when He was arraigned before Pilate was that He was a patriot, that He was no friend of Caesar, in spite of the fact that He had publicly answered this accusation. When they would enquire Him in His speech and asked Him whether it was lawful to give tribute to Caesar or not, He taught the lesson of obedience to all lawful authority, a lesson which the Catholic Church has taught to her children through all the ages. "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." For the Catholic devotion to his country and obedience to her laws is not merely a matter of natural honor or of sentiment; it is a duty which his religion imposes. His Church teaches him that in obeying the laws of his country he obeys the laws of God. The constant teaching of Catholic theologians is that the State is a necessary institution and that therefore the laws of the State have behind them a divine sanction, and we must obey them as a matter of conscience. The Church holds moreover that civil authority is given by God to the people collectively, who vest it in king, or president, or whatever kind of ruler they may choose. This was first clearly taught by Saint Thomas Aquinas, who only explained in clearer terms the doctrine of Saint Paul when he wrote to the Romans: "Let every soul be subject to the higher powers for there is no power but from God; and those that are ordained of God. Therefore, he that respecteth the power respecteth the ordinance of God." He calls the political ruler the minister of God, to whom we are to be subject, not through fear but for conscience sake. The State is requisite for our nature, and what is requisite for our nature is of divine origin. In obeying and respecting civil authority we show respect to our own nature. We lose no dignity, for we bow our wills not to the mandate of a man like ourselves but to the will of God. In rendering to Caesar the things that are Caesar's we obey the God Who created us. From this doctrine of the divine origin of the State rises the moral virtue of patriotism. The Catholic who offers his life for his country knows that he is offering his life for something that is of divine institution. The American bishops, assembled in the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore, spoke the mind of the American Church. "We claim to be acquainted with the laws,

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constitution and spirit of the Catholic Church, and with the laws constitution and spirit of our country. And we emphatically declare that there is no antagonism between them." But even though the American Catholic, he would still love his country with a strong natural affection. The ties that bind the American Catholic to his country are old and strong. Every page in the history of our beloved country speaks to us in accents that are Catholic. The great man of destiny, the dauntless navigator who opened up our country to the world, was a Catholic. The wilderness was penetrated by Catholic pioneers who razed mighty forests and cleared the ground. It was they who planted and gathered the first harvests in the New World, who fought the savage Indian and taught him how to worship God. They won the primeval wilderness and established in this New World a Christian civilization. The work of the pioneer priests in America is the history of her early days. The seeds of Christian civilization were sown by saintly missionaries, among them such men as Las Casas, Jean de Brebeuf, Lalemant, Isaac Jogues, Claude Allouez, Pere Marquette, Junipero Serra, Stephen Theodore Radin and Mazzucelli. When the American colonies won their independence, Catholics played no insignificant part in setting up our Republic. To properly measure the unselfish sincerity of Catholic patriotism in the Revolutionary War, it must be remembered that no Catholic held office in the colonies prior to the Revolution and during most of the trying eight years. Catholic priests were forbidden by law to enter several of the colonies, and Catholic worship was not permitted in public in the Colony of Pennsylvania. Catholics were deprived not only of the right of office but the right of vote. The Catholics of the colonies were actually suffering in their own land the very injustice for which the colonies separated from England—taxation without representation. In spite of all this they joined their fellow colonists without hesitation and none fought more valiantly. It is impossible to know the exact number of Catholics in the American army, but the tribute paid to them by George Washington would indicate that they volunteered in more than generous proportion. The first ship that was owned by the Continental Congress was commanded by John Barry, father of the American navy. The first master-master general of the Revolutionary War was Stephen Moylan, while John Fitzgerald was secretary to George Washington. Catholics gave to the Revolution all that man can give. In our war with Mexico, with a country whose people were Catholics, American Catholics did not fail. The first American flag that was borne into the City of Mexico, when the capital was carried by a regiment under command of General Winfield Scott, was the flag of the American navy. The first master-master general of the Revolutionary War was Stephen Moylan, while John Fitzgerald was secretary to George Washington. Catholics gave to the Revolution all that man can give. In our war with Mexico, with a country whose people were Catholics, American Catholics did not fail. The first American flag that was borne into the City of Mexico, when the capital was carried by a regiment under command of General Winfield Scott, was the flag of the American navy. The first master-master general of the Revolutionary War was Stephen Moylan, while John Fitzgerald was secretary to George Washington. Catholics gave to the Revolution all that man can give.

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