#### CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

THE TWO PICTURES Come paint me a picture, painter,

Of a youth as bright and shandsome
As any e'er known to you. With eyes that are clear and spark-

ling
And cheeks that with health are

aglow, aglow,
And a smile that's bright and cheery,
From a heart as pure as the snow;
With face and form that are godly
Unmarked by the scars of sin, Reflecting the peace and beauty Of the soul that dwells within.

And then paint another, painter, And paint it just as I am, Of one whose feet have trod the way That body and soul would damn; With eyes that are wild and bleary And face that's harden'd from sin, And form bent down and tottering, From the storm e'er raging within The image of God made hideous, An outcast, uncared for, alone, Homeless, ragged and friendless, Forsaken, forgotten—unknown.

Ay, both are my pictures, painter; The story is old as the hills Of one, alas, who went the pace, Ah, the pace that wrecks and kills. So paint the two pictures, painter, And make them in thousands—ten, To hang them up on the highways And in all of the haunts of men. They will be to them a warning, Far better than tongue can tell warning to shun the highway, Which leads to despair and hell.

And perhaps a forgiving Master Will not say I lived in vain, If the pictures speak to a brother And a soul for him regain.

#### MAY THE NUMBER INCREASE!

A Catholic school boy is now Governor of New York, and he is one of the best beloved citizens of the State. His example and carser are worthy of imitation on the part of every boy in the State. Being a Catholic, showed that he has overcome obsta-cles in the way of his success than if he had not been one. He didn't have to hide his religion, either, but gloried in it. "Thank God," said Judge Dodd, "care the control of th Judge Dodd recently, "we have a Governor who is not afraid to bless himself in public."-Brooklyn Tables.

# WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

If we like a thing why don't we say so? We often have the impulse, why not actually carry it into action? We are all but children of a larger growth, hungry and thirsty in our wish to be told when we have done well. The greatest is not above it. Though we are often tempted to think so, all are not working for mere wages or material return. The honest word of praise has again and again been known to act like magic on a depressed spirit or sullen servant, where everything else failed. -The Echo.

# "A GOOD FRONT"

A famous self-made man once declared that if he were out of a job and had only \$20, he'd spend the \$20 for a new suit of clothes because he knew how important it was to make a favorable first impression—that is he would put up a "good front."
And that's all right.

But another man—who lived a long time ago—but whose influence will probably be felt long after the self-made man has been forgotten, made this observation:

"If I had two pence, I would buy bread with one and with the other I would buy a white hyacinths for the tury ago. good of my soul."
The difference between the two

men was that the one was concerned chiefly about the outer man, while might it not be well to consider Collar pads are

Both bits of advice are valuable and both are necessary. But the old sage who advised that the inner man be built up first was the wiser of the two, for the soul of a man is of greater importance.

You can't hide a starved soul by putting up a good front-it's bound to show through. And, to those who see, it makes a

an look hungrier and more pitiful than he who wears a shiny coat and dines on a crust of bread.-Catholic

# GOOD CHEER VS. WORRY

Have you ever seen a more pleasing picture than a cheerful counten-Like a calm, confident being, a cheerful person radiates light wherever he is found, and the effect of his presence is duly felt on his companions. A company of individ uals cannot be otherwise than agree-

Those who worry are constantly under a strain. Worry leaves its marks on the face of its victim, and is ever seeking to dispel any trace of happiness to be found. To meet the trials and tribulations of life with a smile, and to have no fear of, or solicitude for the future, and to help others by a kind word or pleasant smile—that is true cheerfulness.

—True Voice.

Served your country as you have.

It was Col. Warner. When I read, adds the writer, in the big books of history, of Col. Warner riding ployer has raised between himself and his workers must come down. It has bred ignorance in the Capitalist and discontent in the worker. Co-operation is the waschward of the hour. It alone will remove these work that day, perhaps the battles of reconstruction. Those who worry are constantly

### OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

THE POWER OF A SMILE

There's a wondrous lot of power In an honest, wholesome smile; It often starts a blessing That will travel for a mile. Why, when hearts are sad and heavy And the days are dark the while. You can notice that things brighten From the moment that you smile. What the rose is to the bower,

What the jewel is to the ring, What the song is to the robin In the gladsome days of spring What the gold is to the sunsets That oft our souls beguile, All this, and more, to people Is the blessing of a smile.

When you see a face that's saddened By the cruelty of strife, Into which have come the wrinkles From the toils and cares of life, Just send a ray of sunshine To smooth its brow a while, And bestow a passing blessing By the giving of a smile. -B. W. BURLEIGH

#### VALUE OF POLITENESS

A president of the Chemical bank, New York City, was once asked, "What conduced to your success from the

His reply was, " Politeness. When I became assistant paying teller I at once recognized the necessity of unit form courtesy to all. I observed that many a shabby coat hid a package of bonds or a snug sum of money, and to work their horses in the hayfield that magnificent attire did not always cover a millionaire. This knowledge suggested to me the prudence as well as the justice of being courteous on all occasions. If I had twenty tongues I would preach politeness with them all, for a long exprerience has taught me that the results are tangible and inevitable. Politeness is the Aladdin's lamp of success.

It is easy for boys to think that it makes little difference whether they are polite or not. But in his opinion, as the experience and testimony of this bank president shows, they are mistaken. A boy whose manner humanely should take water in is rude, and whose speech is pert, is the field for them in hot weather." absolutely disqualified for any important position.—James Elmer Russell.

#### READING ALOUD

Among the cherished memories of theory of life was reduced to a simple principle: "Learn to read well, young ladies-to enunciate distinctly, to modulate the voice pleasingly, to interpret the words of the author with sympathy and understanding; learn to read well, and all other virtues will follow."

It is possible that the acquirement of all the virtues seems a slightly more complicated matter than it did to the old gentleman, of seventy because the mane covers it.

because the mane covers it.

Examine your horse continually, and if there is any sore spot, adjust the collar so that it will not touch reading aloud was counted one of that spot. If the skin is merely latter days; the question is not of containing a little salt.
the actual process, but of the place / If the collar "rides to

family life. Many a gray-haired man or woman who never heard of "round tables," and never discovered that authors had early or late styles, yet knows whose weight does not vary much his Scott or Thackeray or Shakes throughout the year, is the leather peare as few young people of today ever knew them. In part, this is due to the fact that the field of reading now covered by young people is if the horse's shoulder becomes sore at much larger than it was half a cenary point, the lining of the collar

A deeper cause lies in the decline of the habit of reading aloud, we say. point, so that no pressure will come the other was careful about the whether any other recreation offers they quicky become dirty, cannot inner man. enrichment to the life. Books read aloud winter evenings about the first the collar fit is better that with the whole family sharing the in terest and the discussions, will hold terest and the discussions, will hold By all means, clean the inside of a warmth of color which time will the collar every night. If you wait not dim. Between their pages will lie countless happy memories—a treasure whose values will deepen through all the years to come.—

the collar every night. If you wait until the next morning, you are likely to forget it. Of course you will clean the horse's shoulders as soon as the collar is removed. The Youth's Companion

# LITTLE THINGS

At times we say we are inclined to be dissatisfied to be set at such little things. Well, suppose we are! If only God sets us at these little things then, because he does it, the little things are great. And again, we do not know what shall come out of

cause he was lame, was obliged to remain at home when all his companions went to join den. Stark and tween Capital and Labor, able if one in their midst is of a sunny, cheerful temperament.

As sorrow weights the heart down, so does cheerfulness bear it up. Many think that a long face, and a sad-weary smile gain sympathy. Perhaps so; but a sunny disposition gains friends. Can there be any two ways of choosing between them? Who does not prefer friends to the doubtfully sympathetic words of a chance listener?

They had been gone but a little while when some soldiers galloped up, and asked if there was anybody at home. "Yes," Luke said, "I am here." "What I mean," said one, "is there anybody here who can show a horse?" "I think I can; will try." So he put the shoe on the horse quite thoroughly and well. And when it was done, one well a little while when some soldiers galloped that no peace conference will be able to terminate.

Conservatives in organized labor and in the ranks of employers are thoroughly diseastisfied with the present industrial situation and are willing to try any reasonable scheme that will eliminate strife. Consequently they are leaning more and more to the proposal of the Catholic war. well. And when it was done, one of the men said, "Boy, no ten men who have left you today, have served your country as you have." It was Col. Warner. When I read,

# Bennington and of Saratoga might

have gone otherwise have gone otherwise.

Did you ever think that on the hinge of a baby's tear hung the destiny of the world? We are here, perhaps, today, because of a tear that once glistened on a baby's cheek. It was the weeping of the little Moses in the bulrush s that touched the heart of Pharash's daughter, so that she bad him taken to her home and nursed and trained in all the learning of the Egyptians. In the court of Egypt, he was prepared to become the forerunner of Christ, and the leader of God's chosen people. How little we know what any smallest act of our own may do! Who are you and I that we should pick and choose when we do not know what may come out of the little things God sets against our hands? Cer. tainly we should not have had the perfect example of Carist had he not stooped for us to the noble doing of each daily duty. Do you not see how this daily life of yours may be God's mission for you, if only in it you will seek to do, as Jesus did, even the least things that the Fa her sets against your hand?—True Voice.

#### THE CARE OF THE HORSE

WATERING FARM HORSES

Walter Moore, a well known writer,

from morning to night, watering them only at noon. This is done even on days of excessive heat. The driver usually has two or more refreshing drinks in the middle of the morning, and again in the afternoon; but the norses, who are equally as thirsty, go without. This want of water is not only distressing, but it causes the horses to drink to excess at noon and again at night, which of en re-sults in colic, and always tends to produce a distended stomach, or what farmers call a 'hay belly.' Farmers who would treat their horses humanely should take water into

#### THE COLLAR

The collar should be just large enough to permit a man's hand to pass inside the collar between the lower and of the collar and the neck a certain charming old lady is that of a teacher of her childhood, whose theory of life was reduced to a simple too tight it will choke the horse, and cause sore withers. Test the fithorse's head.

The hames should fit the collar; if too long they will probably be buckled too tight at the top, and in this way the collar will be made to wish the bornes. pinch the horse at the top. Sores thus produced begin by a pimple or very small boil, often overlooked

the most desirable of the line arts of wrinkled, bathe it with witchhazel life. This is no reflection upon or diluted vinegar. It the skin is the art of reading as taught in these broken, bathe it with clean water,

. If the collar "rides up." it can be that reading aloud used to hold in kept down by a martingale running to the girth, or by an extra girth running from trace to trace, back of

the forelegs.

The best collar for a mature horse, collar. But for most horses, the best collar is one stuffed with hair, and covered with ticking. With this collar. can easily be ripped, and the hair removed or pushed aside at that

Collar pads are much used, but many sores. Still a pad that makes the collar fit is better than an ill-

soon as the collar is removed. The salt sweat drying on the skin is what does the mischief.

# CAPITAL AND LABOR

The world's eminent statesmen are seriously considering the press-ing problems of peace. I ternational disputes, which long held the forethese little things.

A well known writer tells this tale ground are gradually being crowded back by the organic questions that effect of the Revolution: There was a lit-back by the urgency of the social tle, lame, blacksmith's boy, who, be-and economic questions that effect

Bishops of the National Catholic War Council that labor be given a share

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The recommendation of the Bishops are meeting with approval in most unexpected quarters. A writer in the Nation says:

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