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CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN UNCONSCIOUS LOWERING OF

STANDARDS

The most difficult problem that any human being has to solve is the prevention of the insidious lowering of his standards.

Did you ever stop on a busy street in a large city and watch the different types of people who pass? Did you ever think that many of those hard, tough looking characters, with slovenly threadbare dress—people who seldom get a bath—were once neat, careful and proud?

proud?
How is it that they have come into their present condition? By a process so insideous, so imperceptible at the time, that they were totally unconscious of it. If you should show one of these demoralized beings a photograph of himself to-day, and another taken when he was a recult youth nymning before the

There is nothing more deceptive than the gradual decline of the ideal, the in-sidious lowering in later life of the standards which we set up for ourselves in our youth.

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One of the most amazing things in human experience is the fact that so many people who started out with bright human experience is the fact that so many people who started out with bright prospects and high ideals — promising youths who were scrupulous about every detail of their personal appearance and who were ambitions to succeed—are seen later in life, shabby, shiftless, and indifferent, slovenly in their habits, yet totally unconscious of this tremendous drop in their standards, this lowering of ideals, because the deterioration has been so gradual as to make them blind to their condition.

THE "DANGEROUS" STUDENT When Garfield was at Williams College he noticed that his class rival sat up late at night; for himself, he determined to keep his light burning a little longer and work a little harder; then through his persistence he began to get ahead.

In college the students who are working for class honors, for leadership, always keep their eyes upon the "danger" shows a disagreeable," she

ous" man. This is not the student who makes a brilliant show at recitation, nor the best talker, nor the most popular man socially. It is not the fellow who makes a brilliant speech in college debates or who takes a prize in coatory. It is the "plugger," the fellow who keeps everlastingly at it, grinding away when the others are asleep or at play. It is not the man who makes the tental tenta

It is the man who has the staying power which enables him to come up on the last heat. The star graduate is often the last man of his class who would have been selected for class honors during his freshman year.

I have in mind a young man who was regarded as such a genius and who was so very much more brilliant than anyone else in his class during his freshman year that if a prediction yote had been year that if a prediction yote had been

THE "GOOD MORNING" GIRL The various tenants of the big office building were sorry when Jack, the elevator man, left to take another posi-tion. Jack was so good-natured, so friendly, always ready with a cheery word, and willing to wait a moment at night for the belated stenographers who came hurrying down the corridors of the building.

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If it is the time we was a continue to sail that the time we will be a considered by a standard up at a standard up at a standard the same motive for keeping up appearances and there is a tempting their most attractive years; but there is not the same motive for keeping up appearances and there is a tempting the word that you will excel in your work when you are canceless and indifferent about your dress and person. We are all of a piece, and we can not keep standards up in one place when the same motive for standards up in one place when the same motive and the seal was true.

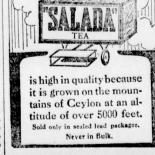
No artist can have quite as a delicated with the same motive for standards up in one place when the words far are the woodchuck had done. He was a since person of the standards up in one place when the same motive for standards up in one place when the same motive for standards up in one place when the same motive two forms and cooled, and everything about us so interrelated that what affects the about your dress and person.

We are all of a piece, and we can not keep standards up in one place when the woodchuck had done. He was a since person of the standards up in one place when the same motive forms and cooled, when he is conceious that he has neglected his bath and is sail together so colonely, and everything about us together so colonely, and everything about us was interrelated that what affects the about your dress and person.

We are all of a piece, and we can not keep standards up in one place when the woodchuck had done. He was a since place of the place o but good, how then can I curse Him, my Lord and my Saviour." And for that answer he dies. And so, throughout, all those ages of persecution there was no compromise by the faithful children of God's Holy Church.

Then heresy, in its hundred shapes.

Then heresy, in its hundred shapes, endeavored to obtain what threats and



death could not wring from the spouse of Christ. You know how heresy struck at the very fundamental truths of our holy religion. Still through all these years, although at times, it enlisted the strong arm of the world's power, we are struck with the uncompromising spirit of the Church who, though she saw that she would lose gifted minds and whole nations, yet, like her Divine Master, she proclaimed the truth and cared not for the consequence. I might tell you of her loss in the East because she would not give up her doctrine of the Trinity; but to come nearer to our own times I have but to remind you of how she lost England. There, some centuries ago, reigned a king who was at one time a child of the Church—a Defender of the Faith. A time came when he sought to violate the sacred bonds of marriage. child of the Church—a Defender of the Faith. A time came when he sought to violate the sacred bonds of marriage. For eighteen years he had lived with a faithful wife, and then sought to be released from her in order to obtain the hand of one of her maids of honor. He sent to Rome and asked the Church to declare his marriage null and void. Back came the answer of Rome's Pontiff to England's King: non possumus—we cannot. Henry therefore cut loose from the Church and preclaimed himself as McAulay says, Pope of his Kingdom.

agreat minds and great names who, as the Holly Father says, "with new and the Holly Father says, "with new and the Holly Father says, "with new and to the Holly Father says, "with new she here the the Holly Father says, "with new and to the Holly Father says, "a deck to look they saw the nuns thanking dod for their deliverance and eliugity thoroughlare to their heroic English sister with every demonstration of love and admiration. To the most succeeded the human mind, but those who make this charge hash to the holly Name man mind, but those who make this charge hash to the compassion to the subject to the unitary, who rudely hustled the territion of the sake them. The prospect would be the the mind of the mariner's compassion to the subject them. The prospect would not to the compassion to the subject them. The prospect would not to the compassion to the subject them. The prospect would not the sake and the waves tries mount is high. It would be much easier for the captain of the ship to seed for wave. If you wish to know where the morth is, it says unmistakably it is the seed and the subject to the subject

comes of haughtiness but with the pride which comes of gratitude to God. Let us pray the God of science, truth and holiness that He may enlighten our minds, unite our hearts and cause pre-judice to cease, that we may admire true science. Let us pray God to cast out egotism from our hearts and unite us all in the same bond of charity. O, Jesus Christ. Incarnate Word, shed upon all Christ, Incarnate Word, shed upon all men thy glorious rays. Let Thy voice becomes the sole voice of the world, that the desire of our Holy Father, Pius X., may be realized, that all things may be restored in Christ.

Catholic Pictures - Consolers of

Loneliness Loneliness

"A room with good Catholic pictures in it and a room without such pictures differ as much as a room with windows and one without these necessities, remarks the Springfield, Mass, Tribune. Pictures that is good things, are consolers of loneliness, and a relief to the troubled mind. They are windows to the imprisoned heart, books, histories, sermons which we can read without the trouble of turning over the leaves or trouble of turning over the leaves or straining the eyes. They make up for HEAD ACHE

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THE NUN WHO COMMITTED SUICIDE

the want of many offer enjoyments to those whose life is mostly passed amid the smoke and din, the bustle and noise of a large city. Pictures of Our Lord and His saints inspire us, give us courage, and induce us to bear our cross with Christian resignation."

itself at the sight of the beloved face of the Mother, but there was not the slightest recollection of the way the fatal injuries had been received. She was hand thankfully received the Last Sacraments, and with joy in her heart breathed her last, and went to heaven. joy in her heart breathed her last, and

joy in her heart breathed her last, and went to heaven.

The wonder is that many of those holy nuns did not become raving manaics in the midst of the atrocities to which they were subjected. Who can imagine the condition of mind of the inmates of

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