

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

A CHEERFUL HEART

The cheerful man not only has sunshine in his own heart, but he diffuses it around him. When he enters a room, the company feel the warmth of his presence, and their hearts expand with pleasure.

What should be the basis of our joy? The foundation of our gladness of heart should not rest on our temporal possessions. I am far, indeed, from deprecating the legitimate acquisition of wealth.

Our health or happiness rest on the power we may exert, not on the exalted place we may fill, nor on the honors conferred upon us, no matter how well merited they may be.

Do not make the pleasures of life the subject of your delight, for some of those pleasures are base and shameful, and they are all of brief duration.

We should rejoice that we are heirs prospective of the Kingdom of Heaven, and that the eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man what things God hath prepared for them that love Him.

Another feature of this alacrity of soul is that it is not reserved for a few or for a particular class of persons, but you all may participate in it, no matter what may be your condition of life.

If we study the life of St. Paul we will find that the dominant note in his character was joy amid suffering. His apostolic ministry was a continuous scene of privations and hardships.

Let me urge in conclusion a few practical suggestions. First of all, endeavor to establish the reign of joy and sunshine in your own heart.

Once you have planted the blessings of joy within you, let its beams radiate throughout your household. Let the husband be a source of joy to his wife, and the wife to her husband.

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gloomy temper produces dyspepsia. imitate the primitive Christian: "Who took their meat with gladness and simplicity of heart."

most noted artists in the country were sent for to teach the little lad, and instead of carving better he cut and shaped marble and became one of the greatest sculptors in the world.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

THE LITTLE SCULPTOR

Long ago there lived in Italy a little boy named Antonio Canova. His home was with his grandfather, who was a stone-cutter by trade, but very poor.

Antonio wasn't a strong little boy. He couldn't romp and jump and run with the other boys in the village, but he loved to go with his grandfather to the stoneryard.

Everything went well until it came time to set the table for dinner. There suddenly came a crash from the great banquet hall and a man rushed into the kitchen, very pale and trembling with fright.

"What shall we do?" cried all the servants. Little Antonio left his pans and kettles and went up to the frightened man.

"How beautiful!" he cried. And the lion was carried in and put in the center of the banqueting table.

MEANING OF NAMES OF STATES

What's in a name? asked the poet, yet many names are full of meaning, and contain historical associations well worth remembering.

Maine takes its name from the province of Maine, in France, and was so called as a compliment to Henrietta, the queen of Charles I, who was its owner.

Delaware derives its name from Thomas West, Lord de la Ware. Maryland was named in honor of Henrietta Mary, queen of Charles I.

Ohio has several meanings fitted to it. Some say that it is a Swahili word, meaning "the beautiful river."

Wisconsin is an Indian word, meaning "wild, rushing waters." Indiana means "land of Indians."

by the Illinois Indians because they were "across the river." The name of California is a matter of much dispute.

THE POWER OF KINDNESS Almost every day a curious scene is enacted at the end of our street. A staid, elderly gentleman walks slowly down it a short distance, and stands in the middle of the road.

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COULD NOT HELP LAUGHING

A PRIEST'S AMUSING EXPERIENCE WITH AN EDUCATED PROTESTANT LADY

A priest in the column known as "The Curate's Window" in the Catholic Transcript tells of some meetings with educated Protestants in which he was somewhat surprised at their ideas of the Catholic Church.

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