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CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

LAT SOMETHING GOOD BE SAID When over the fair fame of friend or

The shadow of disgrace shall fall,

instead of words of blame, or proof of thus

and so. Let something good be said.

Forget not that no fellow being yet

fall so low but love may lift his head ; Even the cheek of shame with tears

is wet, If something good be said.

No generous heart may vainly turn aside

In ways of sympathy ; no soul so dead

But may awaken strong and glorified, If something good be said.

And so I charge ye, by the thorny

crown, And by the cross on which the Saviour bled.

And by your own soul's hope of fair renown,

Let something good be said.

THE NEED OF GOOD MANNERS If a man chooses to carry his knife to his mouth instead of merely using it as an implement for cutting, he is at perfect liberty to do so. He may not succeed in chopping the upper part of his head off, but he will suced in cutting himself off from the 'Dress Circle of Society," as Emerson phrases it. Apart from the first consideration that should govern our manners --- which is, that Our Lord Jesus Christ means that, in loving neighbors as ourselves, we should tshow them respect and regard,-you must remember that oliteness is power, and that for the mbitious man there is no surer road to the highest places in this land, and all others, than through good manners. You may gain the place you aim for, but, believe me, you will keep it with torture and diffi culty if you begin now by despising and disregarding the little rules that have by universal consent come to govern the conduct of life. One inependent young person may thrust his knife into his mouth with a large section of pie on it if he likes : yo will hold, if the door be wide enough. They tell me that in Austria some of the highest people eat their sauer kraut with the points of their knives. But we do not do it here, and we must be governed by the rules of our own society. Some of you who lways want to know the reason for rules may ask why we are permitted e eat cheese with our knives after dinner. I can only answer that I do not know and I do not care. The subject is not important enough for discussion. Good society all over the English speaking world permits use of the knife only in eating cheese. Some people prefer to take it with their fingers, like olives, asparagus, artichokes, and undressed lettuce. So generally is this small rule observed, that a very important discovery was made not very long ago through the knowledge of it. An adventurer claiming to be a French duke was introduced to an American family. He was well received, until one day he tried to spear an olive with his knife. As this is not a habit of good society, he was quietly dropped-very fortunately for the family, as he was discovered to be a as possible of the red roses, known

forger and ex convict. You may ask, Why are olives, was easily corrupted into roses of Many are asking: adopted the red rose as his heraldic badge and as his armorial bearings of the miracles were surely of the ciety. You may ask me again, Why must we break our bread instead of cutting it? And why must we take and was wont to describe his cona fork to eat pie, when we are persort as the lovely "Rose of Provence." mitted to eat asparagus and lettuce with our fingers? I say again that By his followers, however, she was known as the "Rose of Lancaster." They both lie buried in Westminster not know; all that I know is, that these social rules are fixed, and Abbey, and their tomb is covered that it is better to obey than to lose with sculptured rose. His descendants naturally retained time in asking why.-Maurice Fran investigated by the Church we shall both his badge and his armorial bearcis Egan. remain ignorant of the number. ings; and thus it was that the rose became identified with the royal house of Lancaster, from which the miracle, or miraculous; here, it is OUR BOYS AND GIRLS present reigning family of England

" if you do not put more care and labor into your work. Why Sebastian never save a penny out of much larger salaries, and consequently yonder, who knows nothing of colors, might do better work than some of have nothing to bequeath to the work of religion or charity? Then. Murillo intended it for a sharp retoo, there are many Catholics much buke, and the young painters so ac-cepted it. Their faces flushed with wealthier than this poor freight handler, who fail to make so Catho lic a will, who leave their savings to relatives or friends and give no thought to the needs of religion. ounded pride, and they promised to o more efficient work. No one paid do more efficient work. any heed to the poor Moorish lad who had heard the words and who Thomas McCarthy understood the value of money and knew how to use the savings of years to the best purpose. Would that his example was blushing as furiously as some of Murillo's pupils. The next morning, when the pupils purpose. Would that his examp would stimulate others to rememb assembled, several of them noticed that their pictures were not as they God more generously in their wills! There are a great many Catholic had left them the previous night. "Hello! who has been here?" who possess no inconsiderable amount of this world's goods who Hello! who cried curly headed Vincenzo, one of never think of returning to Al-mighty God a portion at least of the brightest of Murillo's pupils Some one has put a child's head on my canvas that is none of my work. their wealth in recognition of His goodness to them. They seem to And hear is a Virgin's face on nine," said Jose Pareda, the laziest think that they are the supreme of the school. Who could have

masters of what they possess. They fail to realize that it was God Who done it? blessed their endeavors; that all Others were exclaiming mean they have is His free gift; that they while, for every canvas had received a touch of some kind, and it was all are the stewards, not the owners o the wealth entrusted to them. If admirable. While they were discussing the they could leave large sums to relig

ion they would possibly do so, be-cause of the fame that would come matter, the door opened and Murillo entered. to them; but they fail to realize the 'Let me congratulate you ; you are value of "the widow's mite" given Why.

improving," said the master. "W Pareda, that is very good for you." But it is not my work, master,

said Jose, falteringly. Not yours, whose is it then ?" "That's the puzzle," answered

counts before God. Catholics, especially, should remember this, Vincenzo. and no matter how limited And a puzzle it continued to be for means may be, they should devote a several mornings, for the most wonderful things were done by the portion of their savings to works and

bjects that are pleasing to Him. invisible painter. The Church is in continual need of Well, gentlemen, I think this has gone far enough," said the master, " to-morrow morning we will come funds in order to carry on her bene-ficent activities and if those who possess a competency would only an hour earlier than usual and see if follow the example set by Thoma we cannot catch this unknown artist McCarthy, the freight handler, there at his work."

would be fewer institutions hamp-Surprised enough were they the ered in their endeavors by financial difficulties.—Catholic Bulletin. next morning to see, seated at one of the pictures, the little "monkey," ebastian Gomez.

Who taught you how to paint boy ?" asked the artist. You, master."

"But I never gave you a lesson."

I listened to what you told these

gentlemen, and I remembered it." "Brave, Sebastian !" cried the school. "You have beaten us all." "And I have made a painter," said Murillo.-Youth's World.

THE STORY OF THE ROSE

Cecil J. Corby, M. D., in the Irish Catholic, Monthly For no other body of professional The rose was unknown in Europe men can there be such an all absorbprior to the ninth crusade, but was ing attraction at Lourdes as that brought back by Thibaut, the Count of Champagne, from Palestine, where it flourished on the plains of Sharon which has for its patron St. Luke We cannot refrain from almost un consciously referring to the fact that and on the slopes of Carmel, to his castle of Provins. Throughout all our holy patron was the chosen con-fidant of the Immaculate Mother her his weary wandering from the Holy Land to his home in France the count self, and that so many miraculous cures are related by him in his Goscarefully tended this plant, namely a pel. He tells us how Christ cured red rose, and managed to acclimat on the Sabbath Day the man with it in the gardens around his castle, the withered hand; how He cured where it multiplied exceedingly. The the centurion's servant ; raised from fame of the flower spread through out France, and by reason of its having come from the Holy Land was dead the widow's son to life; the healed the issue of blood; raised regarded as so sacred that it was in great demand for altar decorations the infirm woman; of the dropsical man-not to mention many others.

and for bridal wreaths. Shortly before Count Thibaut died he gave his daughter as wife of Edmund, Duke of Lancaster, son of the

Physician, Who healed in those days wife's inheritance, and when he returned to England and settled there in Palestine, and Who, through the he brought back with him as many intercession of His most merciful the bureau, next day to ask him our own days at Lourdes. then as the roses de Provins, which

THE CATHOLIC RECORD

up to the altar Dr.' Deeney had suc-ceeded in getting there before me, and, with some priests, was striving men are there similarly situated who to keep the people back from crush-ing in on a young girl. We formed a circle round her by joining hands and hurried her to the sacristy. There I managed to close the doo on the crowd, who for some time strove to get in but finding they could not, knelt down there reciting the rosary.

OUR LADY'S CLIENT

Her name, she said, was Grace Molony; she came from Inagh, County Clare. She stated that she was eighteen years of age. When nine years old she got acute rheumatism, and subsequently tuber-culosis set in the thigh bone just above the right knee. The affected part was very painful and swollen; and eventually she had to be taken to the hospital to have the bone

scraped by a surgeon. This gave some temporary relief, but the place continued "running" for some time. Then she developed scarlet fever and had to be transferred to the fever hospital. After some time the affected part again got swollen and was again operated on with the same result. This operation of curettage or scraping of the bone, was done eight time in nine years. Ab scesses also formed and had to be to the poor and needy or to religious lanced, and Dr. Kinmouth gave ininstitutions for God's sake. It is jections of tuberculin. She imnot the amount of the gift but the proved somewhat under this treatintention with which it is given that ment, but still her knee was stiff and contracted. Her heel was drawn up and she had to walk on the tip of her toe. She would have loved to go to Lourdes, but would not ask her father to let her go, as there were a number of younger children, and his salary as a national school teacher was not very large. The time for procuring the tickets came and went and Grace saw no chance of getting to Lourdes. Then it was announced that an extension of time to apply

their

AT LOURDES WITH

between medicine as practiced by

Luke, the beloved physician, and

" A MIRACLE ! A MIRACLE !"

SHRINE

for tickets would be given, and he father determined to stretch a point and send her. She, of course, will ingly did as she was told, and started out on the pilgrimage. On the Thursday night we arrived in Lourdes Grace's knee was ex

MARY GRACE MOLONY tremely painful and tender, and next day those who helped her along A PHYSICIAN'S ACCOUNT OF THE were very much afraid that she CURE OF AN AFFLICTED could never reach the grotto walking. IRISH GIRL AT THE FAMOUS

However, she struggled along. The second verse of "Immaculate" was being sung by the processionists-When Jesus looks upon thy face

His Heart with rapture glows: And in the Church by His sweet

grace Thy blessed worship grows."

Grace was then just passing Our ady's statue, "The Madonna Coron-Lady's statue, nee." She felt a piercing pain shoot from below the ankle into the knee, her heel touched the ground, and from that moment she walked as well as any of us!

UNDER THE EYES OF SURGEONS I have since repeatedly examined her knee joint, and could not detect anything abnormal at all in it. Jurius' daughter to life ; the cure of There are two deep scars, each about three inches long, running from just above the knee upwards, one on the And if there be a great difference inner side, the other on the outer side. These are where the incisions were made by the surgeons when famous John of Gaunt. After the count's death the Duke of Lancaster had to fight for his Belgian doctor did, and I thought it very singular. I asked Dr. Cox, of Mother, works the same wonders in what she had if not tuberculosis, and would it be any the less a won-"How many derful cure supposing he said she



the doctors told her " they could do no more for her;" she knows that for years before she arrived in Lourdes she could no more touch the heel of her right foot in walking to the ground than the man with the withered hand could use that hand before the Great Physician said to him. "Stretch forth thy hand."

She was one of Erin's many daugh ters on that glorious Friday morning making her way as best she could to place a crown of homage at the Vir-gin's feet in the shade of the grotto ; and the Crowned Virgin was moved to pity by the maimed foot of this poor Irish colleen and showed her mercy to Mary Grace Molony.

NEWMAN IN HIS LAST YEARS

That chapter in the Life of Cardinal Newman, by Mr. Wilfrid Ward, editor of the Dublin Review, which is entitled "Final Tasks," contains some of the most interesting passages in a work which is filled with a momentous interest for all Catholics. We take a few of them as they appear in chapter xxxiv of the biography. Newman had just received the Cardinalitial dignity, and the year was

1880. "Cardinal Newman," writes Ward had no thought of idle dignity for his declining years. The whole value of his new position consisted in the influence it gave him. His strength, which had been so severely tried in Rome (Father Neville wrote), was the rapidly regained, his health was good and he had the happiness of being conscious that the readiness and vigor of his mind were undiminished. But the fatigue during exertion came upon him more quickly than heretofore. It was a warning to him that he would have less and less opportunity to make up for loss of time

"He determined, forwith, to do his best to make the Holy Father realize the difficulties which had for so many years oppressed him, as to the position of educated Christians, in view of the now rapidly rising tide of anti-Christian thought. The sad question which he had asked in 1877, in respect of the tendencies which he deplored, namely: What can one writer do against this misfortune? was no longer in There was since then a new Pontiff whose policy might well depart from the 'non possomus' which Pius IX's later history had forced upon him in politics, and which he had sometimes extended to the intellectual movements of the day, as well as to the who represent the monarchial ideal political.

Such frank debate would result in the erection of an authority on the subjects in question, which must inspire general confidence. The Cardinal even thought of returning to Rome in order to impress his views upon the Pope: an accident (which frac-tured two of his ribs) confined him to his home, and the opportunity never returned.

One extremely interesting fact (says Mr. Warn) is recorded by Father Neville in the same connec tion. A cardinal is eligible to the Papacy, and Father Neville drew from Newman a statement as to what he should do in the highly improbable, yet not impossible, event that he hould one day be called upon himself to decide the policy of the Church on the questions of the day. Though Mr. Ward does not say so, it is certainly worthy of note that New-file, the pews and collection plates, man declared he would do exactly as

Pope Pius X. has done in our time. In answer to Father Neville, Newman said that his time would neces sarily be too brief for him to do any thing himself. "But this I could do," he said, "appoint and organize commissions on various subjects and thus advance work for another to take up, if he so willed. That would be the work for me to do." Then he made mention (says Father Nev-Then ille) of a Pope elected at ninety.

three and dying at ninety six, who had done a great work at that age and in that short time. The subjects he specified to Father Neville as especially needing such commissions for their consideration, were Biblical Criticism and the History of the Early Church.

His general feeling as to the necessity of basing Christian thought on that of the great masters of theology, is shown in the draft of a letter written to Leo XIII. himself

in the early days of his pontificate, welcoming his Encyclical on the Philosophy of St. Thomas Aquinas, on the ground that at a time of new theories, it was all important to remember the great thinkers of old .--Freeman's Journal

WHEN FREETHINKERS TRIUMPH

The tyranny which the so-called freethinkers exercise when they have power has been fully illustrated in Portugal, where, as our special cor respondent in that country states the third anniversary of establishment of the Republic has been celebrated at Lisbon by a congress of representatives of free thought, which Lima, the head of the Portuguese Freemasons, organized. The Portuguese freethinkers and Freemasons directed from Paris by the Grand Orient, may justly claim that the condition of Portugal from the moment of the assassination of King Manuel's father and brother to

the present day has been their work. They plotted, organized and carried out the revolution, and since then Portugal has been in their grip. There is a humorous journal called "Os Ridiculos " in Lisbon, and it has had the courage to remind the freethinkers and Freemasons of their success in stifling freedom of thought An avalanche of hatreds, persecu tions, acts of vengeance, insults and vexations has been hurled against all the royalist citizens. The images of the saints have been dragged through mud. The churches have been put up to auction. The people

have been covered with infamy. "And Newman himself, as a Car. the prisons there are members of the dinal of Holy Church, might have an nobility and men of the people, rich The prison cel

carefully pigeon holed and left to disappear. They are as foreign to the spirit, thought and progress of this age as would be a resolution to start the Presbyterian Church on a hunt for witches and demand for general burning of them; or for destruction of the Jews. The Roanoke Times never has been able

to understand why people worshipping and believing in the same Saviour and God should be stirred to hate each other or why differences in matters of doctrines should be used to make strife. So far as politics goes, it seems to us some other denomina tions are very much more active and eager in using their church names, organization and power than the Catholics.

file, the pews and collection plates, is for Christian unity and grand, concerted effort to uplift humanity, to overcome sin, to lessen human pain, sorrow and misery, to guide the race on to its vast majestic mysterious destiny of triumph over evil and close alliance with the Divine. Resolutions like those of the Rev. Mr. Painter hinder that greatest of all works; in our belief impede the purposes of the Most High, stirring strife where we should strive for peace and fellowship.

He gains wisdom in a happy way who gains it by another's experience. -Plautus.

AFTER SHAVING

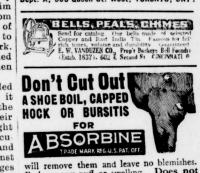
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GILSON Goes Like Sixty

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MURILLO BOY

More than two hundred years ago a little dark eyed Moorish boy rapped at the little door of a stately in Seville, Spain, and asked if the master was within.

The attendant ushered him into a large room where a grave, sad-looking man was talking to a group of young artists. They were all listen ing attentively, for the man was the greatest painter of his time-Barto lome Esteban Murillo.

Well, my boy, what am I do for you ?" inquired Murillo.

I heard you wanted a boy to sweep your rooms, grind paints, and wait upon you. I have come for the position

monkey. And you can go right to work

In this way little Sebastian Gomez In this way little Sevastian content was introduced into the studio of the great Murillo. He remained there Day Nursery. He directed that the great Murillo. He remained there till he was fifteen years old, doing all the odd jobs for the painter and his pupils, and taken very little notice of held in trust by Father Dempsey for by any of them.

There were a dozen or more of these young painters studying under Murillo-gay, showy fellows, and dis- to charitable purposes. It deserves posed to be somewhat careless in their work. Often the great Murillo the facts that Thomas McCarthy, the was obliged to lecture them sharply for their short comings. One morning when they had been week. Out of this he succeeded in

intention of anticipating the is descended. no The ruins of the Castle of Provins start to describe some of the wonderstill exist. Its gardens are to this ful cases I saw at Lourdes; I must day crowded with crimson roses, desay that the patient endurance of scended from that single plant which the poor sufferers from whom I never Thibaut, the "Troubador "Count de Champagne, brought back from the heard a murmur once was one of the greatest miracles there. Holy Land at the close of the last and

ninth crusade .- True Voice.

THE POOR MAN'S WILL my notice; and as it has created

Recently Thomas McCarthy, freight handler, died in a hospital in St. Louis. Shortly before his death, he made a will in which he disposed of \$8,000 worth of property accumu-

place in the procession which was to march to pay a visit of national homage to our Lady at the Grotto. I sought banner No. 5, that of the lated during the course of his labor-Well, you can have it, you little jous life. After setting aside a sufficient sum for funeral expenses, he bequeathed \$500 each to the Little Meath Diocese, but was directed by a friend of mine, a Vicar of the

diocese, to get in anywhere. I got Sisters of the Poor, the St. Vincent behind the manner of the Cloyne contingent, and this, fortunately, brought me quite close to the grotto, residue of the estate, after deducting where I could hear every word spoken by His Eminence the Carthe \$2,000 willed to his relatives, be charitable purposes.

This will is not remarkable for the large amount of money benqeathed some of my confreres. We were just about entering the church tospecial mention, however, because of

answered. In the first place, many of the miracles were surely of the spiritual order, and will in most sion that we wanted to make out cases be known in this world alone that she was suffering from tubercuto the recipient and his or her con-fessor. In the next place, it rests with the Church and the Church doctor wanted to make out she had alone to decide which are and which tenderness in the joint. But, as I are not miracles. And as very many told him, if he were to press and of the supposed cures will never be

push my knee in the same fashion I would also show some tenderness. Dr. Cox agreed to this, and added Consequently, when I use the word that when Pierre de Rudder got his broken leg miraculously united some only in its human sense, and with of his medical brothers were giving it such an examination that he

udgment of the Church. Before I feared there would be another frac ture in it before they had finished ! Then again, another doctor, a Frenchman, said she was neurotic and wanted to make out it was a case of auto-suggestion. Sir Alex-ander Dempsey has stated that he could not find any trace of neurosis

in her. The case of Miss Mary Grace I had her under close observation Molony was the first to come under from the time I examined her in Lourdes up to the time we arrived in a great deal of interest I will give as Dublin, and I can unhesitatingly fully as I can all the details I know state I never once saw the slightest about it. It was on Friday morning, September 12, that I went to take my trace of neurosis about her. was always cool and collected, even when most of those around her found it very difficult to restrain their emotions.

> THE IMMACULATE MOTHER OF GOD CURED ME"

If there is one thing striking about heritisextreme simplicity of manner; and no one but a person with a very neurotic temperament could work their imagination to such a pitch as to get themselves to believe that dinal. He directed us to pay a visit for the Blessed Sacrament in the hysteria, or anything approaching it. Church of the Rosary. When I got as far as the medical bureau I met controversy there is one poor girl who stands quiet and unmoved, one just about entering the church to-gether when we heard the people cry; "A miracle! a miracle!" We Mother of God cured me!"—and that for their short comings. One morning when they had been worse than usual, he scolded them unmercifully. "You can never ex-pect to become painters," he said,

The altars have been de meant to lose no time in urging on are full. Rome itself the policy which, since these days of his Dublin campaign, tial law is in force. Revolutionaries he had felt so keenly to be necessary for the education of Catholics—of the Government. The situation is one in which we cannot rejoice." admitting again within the Church

This is the state of things produced something of the free discussions by free thought, of which the Masonwhich the thirteenth century had ic promoter of the congress has been witnessed, with a view to revising the boasting.-London Catholic Times. defences of Christianity to meet new

OLIC EDITOR'S PROTEST

"This involved doing full justice CURSING THE to all that was strongest in the anti-

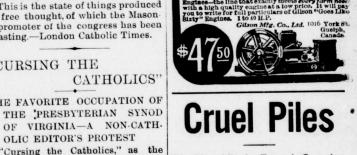
Christian arguments, and replying to them, in place of either banis THE FAVORITE OCCUPATION OF them as temptation, or caricaturing what was cogent as though it were inept. Not that for a moment he de sired the average weak mind to fac arguments against Christian faith which might easily perplex it. ** "Cursing the Catholics," as the

langers.

There must be, he held, a body of Roanoke (Virginia) Times, expresses really cogent theological and philoit, appears to be the principal and sophical reasoning in the Catholic schools, to fall back upon and to inlavorite occupation of the Presby terian be the principal of the Pres-byterian Synod of Virginia. This spire confidence in thoughtful men; and this could only be elaborated by miable and high minded body assembled in Canville recently, and frankly and freely testing in actual warfare, the strength of the exist in the Times report of its proceed. ing apologetic, and by discarding ings, we read: what was inadequate.

"'When I see a clever and thought-ful young man," he used to say at this time, 'I feel a kind of awe and even terror in thinking of his future. How will he be able to stand against the intellectual flood that is setting in against Christianity.' " Mr. Ward tells in the same chapter

how the Cardinal, with these ends always in view, once (in 1886) sent him a memorandum in which he urged the necessity of drawing up a systematic statement of the main points on which there was a divergence between the conclusions generally received among men of science, including the biblical and historical critics, and the generally-received opinions in the theological schools. This, with a view to protecting the faith of the young, and that these questions should be fully and candidly discussed . mong Catholic theologians and men of science, with the



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"The special committee to which the paper offered by the Rev. J. C. Painter, on 'Romanism,' was referred submitted its report this afternoon and it was adopted instead of the original paper. The report deplored the growth and menace of the 'Church of Rome' as 'a blight to civil and religious liberty' and urged the general assembly to readopt the resolutions on this subject adopted by this as-sembly of 1911 and have the report published and distributed throughout the Church; also that an effort be

CATHOLICS

Foldiers

made to establish, a bureau of information in co operation with other Protestant denominations to warn the Church against 'Romanism.'" Under the caption, "Cursing the Catholics," Mr. Alfred B. Williams,

editor of the Roanoke Times, who is a non-Catholic, says: 'It is a pity that the resolutions of

insult and defamation of the Catholic Church offered in the Presbyter. ian Synod at Danville were not