













CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN.

To be successful in life, a man must find his work and do it.

Work is the law of existence, the price of food, a safeguard from vice, a source in sorrow, and a lengthener of days.

"Blessed is the man," says Thomas Carlyle, "who has found his work."

If he has an occupation that he likes, that is useful to others, that brings him in an adequate support, that keeps him happily busy, he has found one of earth's chief pleasures: for congenial work is enjoyment.

How important it becomes, therefore, that we should find at the outset the kind of work that is fittest for us, that will make us happiest throughout life.

For it is just as true that unfitting work makes men miserable as that fitting work makes them happy.

We have all seen, humanly speaking, the square peg in the round hole—seen how uncomfortable it is itself, and how uncomfortable it makes the hole; seen how it strives to fit, with painful and ceaseless effort, yet never does nor can fit.

One of the most distressing of all square pegs in round holes is the person who is trying to do a work for which he is not suited.

There is more chafing in unbecoming work than in almost any other vital misplacement, because work is the most constant concern of life for the majority of us, and if we are not at ease in our work, life will be pretty much all friction for us.

So, it is of the greatest importance that at the outset we choose the work for which we are adapted.

But how make sure that we are choosing right? that is the question. Of course, with the best intentions, all of us make mistakes, and there is no absolutely sure way of determining anything that follows from the use of our best judgment.

Great questions that ought to be seriously wrestled with, are: How many young men simply play tag with it? Life seems to them nothing but a merry haphazard game, in which one is to take what comes along—nothing as readily as another—trusting to luck for results, and not thinking much about results anyway.

Thus thousands of young men drift into employment who are only advantage for them is that it is near at hand, accessible and convenient. It would cost labor and thought and possibly delay to consider any other "opening," so into the first gap that offers these young people drift, and in this childish, irresponsible fashion settle one of the most serious questions with which humanity has to deal.

fulfillment of all the duties of his state of life. No wonder when God called him higher to be a confessor and martyr, he was so ready, so happy, to obey the call.

This Christian character consists in: (1) Fidelity to duty—giving to all their due; (2) freedom from human respect—readiness to confess the truth, to practice religion openly; (3) love of the poor, self-denying alms-deeds, and (4) good habits. It is wonderful how large a share in the Christian character is owing to good habits.

The Thing That Counts. What is a man good for when you can not tell where he stands, or what he stands for, or whether he stands for anything at all?

People do not put their confidence in property or in position; they put it in the man. That man only is rich who has the confidence of his fellow men, who has never betrayed his trust, who has never gone back on his word, or smirched his honor, and who can look his conscience squarely in the face without flinching.

There is only one thing that persists through all history, and through all changes, which is not only not tarnished or dimmed by time, but will grow brighter through all eternity, and that is character.

Some Helpful Thoughts. The times call for men—men who are manful, dependable, capable—whom God and men can trust in the dark to fight, or to work, or to be, on and on till the morning breaks or the end comes.

Try to be something in this world and you will be something. Aim at the least, and excellence will be attained. This is the greatest secret of success and eminence. "I can not do it," never accomplished anything. "I will try," has wrought wonders.

It is not a very difficult matter to find the good in others—and there is some good in every one—some ray from the Divine countenance illumines the face of every creature made in the "image and likeness."—Mary Moran.

There is this difference between those two temporal blessings, health and money; money is the most envied, and the least enjoyed; health is the most enjoyed, but the least envied; and this superiority of the latter is still more obvious when we reflect that the poorest man would not part with health for money, but the richest would gladly part with all his money for health.

The new year brings opportunity for loving to every one of us. It gives us fresh courage to turn our faces toward the sun, as simply as flowers do, that take the rain and breeze as blessings. It brings us hope, and one more chance for happiness.—Dorothy Fenimore.

We must have faith in our own mission, in the work we are called to do. We must have faith in humanity, faith in the possibilities of an imperfect race, which has been in the process of training all these centuries and which is still very imperfect, but capable of growth and development. We must also have faith in the existence, wisdom, power and love of God.—Rev. U. S. Kriebel.

Envy is a most fatal evil; when it reigns in a soul, it troubles, blinds and leads to every excess. It is from self-love that envy springs, and it is the love of the common welfare that combats and destroys it.—St. Anthony of Padua.

helped you in any way or accomplished anything. No; you only lost your energy and self-control, your self-respect, and the respect and admiration of your employees.

Much of the worst kind of energy-dissipation is not what is commonly called "immoral." It is often the result of ignorance, carelessness, or neglect; but it is dissipation, all the same. A great deal of energy is wasted in working without system, and in not getting hold of the right end of a thing at the start.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS. STORIES ON THE ROSARY. BY LOUISA EMILY DOBRIER. Carriage of the Cross. LUCY'S CARRIAGE.

However she was near the little church and went there daily to obtain the help she knew was hers if devoutly sought.

Lucy had no time now for her painting, and she would look regretfully at her palette and brushes and long to be able to use them.

Lucy was happy, though it might surprise many to hear that she was, and in self-denial and self-sacrifice she was discovering joys hitherto unknown.

One November afternoon she had been out shopping and was rather tired. To lay out money to the best advantage, and make the most of every sixpence, was a new experience to Lucy, and one which was certainly not very congenial.

Although the consciousness of doing right and the fact that she was sacrificing herself brought spiritual happiness, yet there were many days and hours when the burden of life was very heavy, and she longed for the charming life she had had for those delightful two years with the Madisons.

Happily now she had done with teaching the young girls who were charmed to have finished their education, as they concluded they had done. Bella had found a situation as clerk in a small office, while Della, sharing her father's dislike to work, read novels, did bits of useless fancy work, and spent hours making and remodeling her clothes so as to succeed in looking smart.

Mrs. Gregory, with her bad health and weakness of mind and body, was a pitiful little object, and Lucy's heart went out to her in her need, while Mrs. Gregory depended and leant on her even more than she knew.

But it was not a cheerful home, and poor Lucy was very depressed and felt lonely as she walked through the November greyness, and thought it was rather emblematical of her life. Carrying the cross is not easy work, and Lucy found that hers needed all her courage and all the spiritual helps that she could obtain.

Let us be steadfast for the right; but let us err on the side of generosity rather than on the side of vindictiveness towards those who differ from us as to the method of attaining the right.—Theodore Roosevelt.

hat and cape and then ran up to her mother's room, and it needed not much experience of illness to see that Mrs. Gregory had had a stroke of some kind.

Quickly sending Della off for the doctor, she returned to the room where Mrs. Gregory lay white and apparently half-conscious. It was a stroke of paralysis, so said the clever young doctor whom Lucy knew well by sight and name, as he was a Catholic and whose place in church was not very far from hers.

TO BE CONTINUED. Archbishop Mesmer Says Treating Causes Much Efficacy. Milwaukee, Feb. 9.—Archbishop Mesmer is heartily opposed to the treating habit, which he believes is responsible for much of the evils from the use of liquor.

Honor St. Joseph. The month of March is the month of St. Joseph, and during it we are asked by Holy Church to give him special honor and to invoke his prayers for ourselves and for the Church at large.

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