Horses come in many varieties. There are riding horses, farm horses, carriage horses and race horses. All possess that admirable quality called horse sense; common sense is another way to say it. It takes largeness of horse sense for one to reach Heaven. You are going to need this virtue for a successful vacation. Here is the horse sense you must practice this summer, and always:

Keep away from the occasion of sin. There would be fewer people in hell if they had kept this advice. Those who play with fire are bound to get burnt. This fire can be a girl, liquor, laziness or a thousand other temptations. When dating, just remember this bit of counsel: late hours make tired bodies and tired bodies make tired wills, and tired wills are a push-over for the devil and temptations of the flesh. It may be fashionable to stay out until early morning, but it's not part of wisdom. Get to your bed at a respectable hour. Don't repeat the mistakes you made last summer. Imitate the horses who sense danger and avoids it. There is no fool like an old fool. Some grown-up college students date married women who occasionally forgot their marriage vows for a night or two. What says they make of a fellow! The evils of drink are widespread. So if you have not started to drink, you had better talk it over first with your parents and your confessor. If you have repeatedly confessed intemperance in the past, then you had better think seriously about taking a pledge to give up liquor in whole or in part. Imitate the horse. Vacation is the time for a change of activity, not for loafing. "Idleness is the devil's workshop. Satan pounds out the nicest variety of evil thoughts and desires in an empty mind. Keep occupied and interested in something. Get a job, cut the grass, clean the car, go swimming, play golf, do good reading. Keep busy. Give your Guardian Angel a little relief from worry this summer. Only fools rush in where angels fear to tread. You are old enough to know temptation when you see it.

This much is certain, if you don't use horse sense, you will make an ass of yourself. Don't be stubborn. Profit by the experience of your past. Christ is firm about this matter: "If your hand scandalizes thee, cut it off." It's up to you. Make your Summer resolutions now.