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TO YOUNG MEN.

Young men are you in earnest? Would you do something, if you had the means to do it? Then, let me ask you one or two more questions. Have you a sound physical body, and good health? Have you a reasonable amount of good, hard common sense? Have you a strong and determined will? Have you sincere honesty of purpose and great courage? Have you an indomitable stick-to-itive quality? If you have these essential qualifications then your capital stock is ample for any enterprise.

Young man did it ever occur to you that those who have blazed the path of progress, or filed open the prison-doors of ignorance, brutality, and prejudice, have been either very poor or at best men whom society and the world at large regard as very inconsequential. Young men who leave a trail of glory behind them are not the rich, not the powerful, and not the recognized potent factors of their day, but they are one and all moral heroes.

Seventy-eight years ago a young man, with a limited education and but little means started a small paper in Boston. He placed at the top of this paper these striking words: "I am in earnest, I will not equivocate; I will not retract a single word; and I will be heard." The seed sowed by this young man took root in the conscience of the North, and from that seed came the fruit—the Emancipation Proclamation that freed 4,000,000 slaves.

Young man opportunity is knocking at your door at early dawn each day great enough to renounce self for humanity; if you love justice more than ease, glory, or fame; if you become so overmastered by the light of love that you live the Golden Rule, you will leave a splendid influence of imprint on your own time, you will live in the love of the ages, and you will leave behind a trailing path of glory.

Are you in earnest? Have you good health, common sense, and moral courage? Then you can succeed in any field.

THE NEWS-HERALD is a believer in decency, and therefore it is an advocate of decency. It has always been a booster for Plattsmouth and Cass county. It advocates those things which are for the substantial development of this city. The NEWS-HERALD plant is paid for. There is not a dollar of debt against it. It is the best newspaper plant in this city that is paid for.

TEACHING THE BOY TO SAVE.

(By William A. McKeever, in Pearson's Magazine)

There is no good reason why any ordinary boy should not be taught to work and save and finally to have a small bank account of his own, provided he be given reasonable instruction in regard to the matter.

The criminal is nearly always a spendthrift. The published records of courts and prisons show that the majority of the men and boys found guilty of crimes and misdemeanors have gone astray as the result of an effort to obtain money or its direct equivalent by some unlawful means. Theft, forgery, robbery, and the like, are the most familiar terms in the catalogue of crime.

The whole fabric of our moral life is thoroughly interwoven with our ideas about money and its purposes and uses; and yet we are doing little or nothing of a systematic character, either in school or out, to instruct growing children in reference to this very important matter. It is a very common thing in cities and villages to see boys ranging in age from five to thirteen making a bee-line for the confectionery stores with a nickel or dime just begged from a parent. This carelessness is allowed to go on 'till about the adolescent period is reached, when suddenly the parent becomes imbued with the idea that it is time to have the lad earn some money of his own. In the typical case an effort is made to force the latter to such a conclusion, but the easy-going freespending habit is now very persistent, and in a short time the father may be seen responding to the boy's financial needs in the same old way. "This habit of getting something for nothing, so thoroughly formed in early life," says the head of a great mercantile establishment, "is responsible for the speculative tendency so common among young men today."

It is not enough to tell the boy what he ought to do. It is at first necessary to find reasonable tasks for him and then hold him to his duty till he acquires something of a habit and a fondness for work. And then it is not so much a question of amount earned as it is one of imbuing the lad with the spirit of industry and frugality. As little as ten cents a week actually earned may be a sufficient beginning for a seven-year-old. Select some little task that will be useful as a personal habit or that is helpful to some one else, and see that he performs it regularly and punctually. As soon as one desirable habit is acquired shift the reward to another. Then there are always available such practical tasks as running errands, carrying in kindling, and doing other light chores. Heavier duties are to be assigned with the advancement of age; but "let the beginning of this important instruction date from the time the lad is old enough to count money," says a father. If the ordinary father will show the same interest in training his son in these practical subjects that he does in training his carriage horse to drive or in preparing his live stock or merchandise stock for the market, then the boy will grow surprisingly in grace and morals and thrift.

As the boy grows toward maturity he

must be aided in finding work suitable to his age. An easy, quick method of earning money is likely to demoralize him, rendering him dissatisfied with a reasonable reward for what he does. Boys living in town and city are reported to be earning small sums in various ways, both within and outside of the home; as, sawing wood, tending gardens and furnaces, taking care of live stock and offices, cleaning windows, selling milk, papers, novelties, and working on farms during vacation. Let the work be difficult while it lasts, but avoid placing the boy to work in the midst of evil influences.

It is, of course, easy to find work for the country boy, but many farmers fail to give their sons an opportunity to receive a money reward for a part of what they do. The ordinary growing boy should not be required to be wholly self-supporting, even on the farm. The best rule reported to us is in substance this: Start the boy by giving him a small plot of ground to tend, either in the field or the garden; or give him in exchange for some service a domestic animal, such as a pig or a calf.

After he has been taught to work and to earn money honestly, then it is all-important that the boy be instructed carefully in the matter of saving. Many can earn, but few can save. The evidence goes to show that a bank or trust company, usually local, furnishes the most common and satisfactory means of saving. The relation of these institutions to the boy depositor is almost always one of helpfulness and encouragement. It matters not how little the lad may be earning, so that he saves a portion of it. Give him a toy bank at first, and as soon as he has accumulated a half-dollar or more have it placed to his credit in a bank of deposit. Develop his interest in the matter by talking to him and by taking him to the bank with you, where he may see the papers made out. Try to develop in the young financier's mind some reasonable purpose for which this money is being saved, and lead him by degrees so have fond anticipations of its final use. When practicable have the boy's savings deposited in an institution that allows interest on such accounts, explaining to him just how money grows when bearing interest. Some banking institutions will offer as an investment small interest-bearing securities, sometimes netting the purchaser as high as five per cent or more.

Explain to your children the source of your own income (if you are not ashamed of it) and the fact that there is a limit to the ordinary bank account. Many children believe that you simply have to go to the bank and ask for it in order to obtain money. Talk over occasionally with the boy the family expense account, especially that relating to himself, with now and then an expression of the pleasure you take in planning and working and spending for him so long as he is worthy of it. Take him with you on your shopping errands once in a while and give him some practical lessons in spending judiciously. Thus he will gradually grow reasonable and sympathetic in regard to the family budget, and amply considerate of the way in which his own money should be used. The aim of this teaching is not that of qualifying the coming man to accumulate wealth, but it is that of developing in the youth moral self-reliance and an otherwise efficient personality. The man who is careful in husbanding his resources has a great advantage over his financially incompetent neighbor in such matters as true kindness, rational generosity, and high spirituality.

A TRUE FUNCTION OF GOVERNMENT.

Among the true functions of government are the securing of justice to all people, the diffusion of useful knowledge, the promotion so far as possible the well-being and happiness of every citizen, and the fostering and maintenance of self-respecting manhood. This last object is of far greater importance in a republic than in any other form of government; for upon the intelligence and moral rectitude of the voters depend the healthy progress and the stability of the State. The individual should be encouraged in every legitimate and rightful aspiration. His high aims and noble purposes should be given the fullest opportunity for development. As these are developed so the citizen becomes a benefactor to the State. Sobriety, honesty, capability

and courage are essential qualifications for public office. The individual who submits himself as a candidate for a public office should possess these qualifications, and should be known to be a man of high aims and noble purpose to entitle to him the support of any intelligent voter. If an individual is not so qualified, he should not be elected to any official position, whether it be municipal, county, state or national. When you support a man for any office, who, in his private life has not demonstrated that he possesses such qualifications, simply because he belongs to "my party," then just that far you have betrayed your country and have lowered your citizenship. Just that far you have sanctioned and lent your assistance to lower the standard of your own municipality, your county or your State.

PESSIMISM is mental indigestion.

THERE are many slips after the cup leaves the lips.

WORRY is interest paid on trouble before it fall due.

FATE is a name many give to their laziness or carelessness.

EVERYTHING within reach comes to those who help themselves.

THE most comforting thing in the hour of trial is an acquittal.

EVERY man does not have his price, some give themselves away.

SOME say he is married; and some say he is not. Some say they are married; and some say they are not. Everybody says, that, if they are not married, they ought to be.

"WIT loses its respect with the good, when seen in company with malice; and to smile at the jest which plants a thorn in another's breast, is to become a principal in the mischief."

—Sheridan.

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Shall draw the thing as he sees it, for the God of things as they are."
—KIPLING.