

made impossible had the mind gone fully into the matter with a determination to ferret out the truth. An open and unprejudiced mind, made active by honest purpose and desire, will discover the truth in most matters wherein is involved good or evil for the party himself.

How much smaller would be our army of drunkards and gamblers had these people at an early age, at the impressionable age if you will, been taught to think with honest intent to discover what was best for themselves! It is generally the thoughtless girl who becomes an abandoned woman—a disgrace to herself and all glorious womanhood which a little thinking on her part would almost have deified. Let us emphasize this statement: It is the thoughtless people who cause most of the world's troubles; those awful tragedies which wreck their perpetrators and visit grief and humiliation upon all whom they should love, reverence, and cherish.

Think for yourself and try to do it along right lines. Make up your mind, after due reflection, as to just what is best for yourself, with due regard for the rights and the welfare of others; then having laid out your course allow nothing to swerve you from it. To think right is to act right in the majority of cases. As a man thinks so is he—as you think so are you, or are to be. Now think, and think with an honest determination in your soul to find the truth—then live it.

THOROUGHNESS

Lack of thoroughness in many people is so apparent that it might almost be termed lack of sense. At any rate, so far as results are concerned, there is mighty little difference in lack of thoroughness and lack of sense. Rather a hard statement to make perhaps, but in the main we believe we are right. Of what value can the study of geometry possibly be to one who is not certain of his multiplication tables? Yet if we look deeply enough into the "doings" of people about us we will discover that examples are abundant which fit nicely with the above assertion. Close observation will bear us out. Our wills are all right if we judge ourselves by the indications of our physical energy, but nervous action is not by any means indicative of the best kind of mental fitness, or mental energy. That mentality which maintains one in a attitude of calmness, that reasons everything, and does it, too, without bias; that is after the truth in the matter; that wants everything thoroughly done—that is the mind, or kind of mind, to cultivate. Do not slight, or half-do, anything that you undertake—do it well; do it thoroughly.

One of the great troubles, perhaps the greatest drawback in the education of young people, is that too much is often undertaken. They