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A PARABLE

And it came to pass in those days that a certain young man was sent of his parents into a far country to be taught wisdom, obedience and righteousness. When he arrived at the end of his journey, friendly people met him and he was greeted with kindness and made welcome. As the days passed his aged parents were wont to think of him daily and to speak of him, one to the other, for they loved him and prayed that he might become wise and strong and good. And it came further to pass that he was given lessons and tasks to do that were displeasing to him because he regarded study and labor not in their true light, but as a weariness to the flesh. And yet again it came to pass that when one day he was admonished by one of his elders and was reprimanded for his transgression of the law, he became much enangered and spake back to his elder, using vile and unseemly language and showing great disrespect to one in authority. And finally again it came to pass that his conduct became displeasing in the eyes of his associates and he lost the respect and confidence of his companions, and was returned to his home in disgrace. So it shall come to all those who harden their hearts and yield not in obedience to those in authority. "The way of the disobedient is as darkness, but the path of the just is as a shining light. Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction; but he that regardeth reproof shall be honored."

So here endeth the lesson.

On the evening of Nov. 6th, in chapel, Supt. Lipps read the above parable. He is the author of it. It is of unusual worth, and as we interpret it, it is both a lesson and a warning. A lesson for all and a warning to a few. It represents a phase of character too often met with nowadays in "Flaming Youth." We are raising too large a brood in the land who see nothing to respect in law, order, or people. And for such as these the parable cited was a warning. Let us not mince words in the matter, for it is a serious one, the promise in the parable is that the belligerent, profane, or vulgar young "Smart Aleck" will be dismissed if found at Chemawa. We want none such here, for this is a school, not a reformatory, and we have neith-

er time nor inclination to treat with the persistently unruly and disobedient in any manner whatever.

Let our students take stock of themselves and endeavor to see matters in their true light and we warrant that they will conclude that they are here to achieve something worth while. Primarily they are presumed to be here for instruction, academically and vocationally, that they may ultimately fill places of trust and responsibility wherever they may in future elect to make their homes. They should leave Chemawa inspired with the idea that they are to work at honorable and necessary tasks, that they will ennoble those tasks, and wherever they are they will prove desirable acquisitions in their communities.

Throughout our land are anxious and loving parents who are waiting, working and hoping for their children—that they may return to them in the fullness of their young manhood and womanhood, capable, unsullied, and God-fearing. It seems to us that no child has a right to disgrace or discredit his parent. One thing is certain and that is that Chemawa will not help him to do so. So we read the Parable. It has a meaning and we think our interpretation of it is correct. Read it, study it, reader, and we believe you will agree with us.

TABLE MANNERS

No doubt many of our student readers, and probably others, have at some time in their careers been perplexed as to how to conduct themselves during the course of a dinner at which they were guests. Table etiquette, or lack of it, often makes for embarrassing situations, and yet one may not be wholly to blame if a few minor "slips" are made. To all the experience comes, when a real dinner is served, and in order to carry off the affair as if "to the manner born" it is necessary to give some attention to the laws of good society—the customs thereof. The social elect of Washington, D. C., set the standard, and we are pleased to quote from an exchange a few worth-while rules which it will pay to remember, as follows:

Certain formalities may seem silly unless their reasons are understood. In the matter of etiquette, for

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