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**As Easy To Smile As Frown**

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When life has a notion to treating us  
Wrong,

Or we fancy, at least, this is so;  
When we notice the discord that sounds  
in its song,

And hear it wherever we go,  
Why, then, there's a maxim that we  
may apply,

It's as easy to laugh as to weep or to  
sigh,

And as easy to smile as to frown.

If the day has a way of weeping a  
bit,

What matter, what matter do you?  
To-morrow the specter of tempest will  
die,

The skies will be clear and blue;  
So, though the world moves in a devious  
way,

Look upward and onward, not down,  
For Gibe writes his records in wrinkles  
and gray,—

It's as easy to smile as to frown.

**Integrity is the Price of Promotion.**

So long ago, shrewdness, sharpness  
and long-headedness were the qualities  
that saw promotion in the business world.  
Faint methods were employed in thou-  
sands of establishments where now only  
absolute integrity and clean, straightfor-  
ward dealing are tolerated. Before this  
country attained its zenith, unclean methods  
will be unknown to either large or small  
concerns. The double standard of hon-  
esty—one for private life and one for busi-  
ness purposes,—will be unknown. The  
foundation stones of the greatest commer-  
cial houses in this country are reliability  
and honesty. The world is beginning to  
see that, even from a utilitarian stand-  
point, it pays to be honest.—[Ex.]

**Half-Done Work Is Always  
Wasteful.**

The extravagance and waste of doing  
work halfly are most lamentable. We  
can never over-estimate the value, in a  
successful life, of an early formed habit  
of doing everything to a finish, and thus  
relieving ourselves of the necessity of do-  
ing things more than once. Oh, the waste  
in half-done, careless, patched work!

The extravagance and loss resulting  
from a slothful education is almost beyond  
computation. To be under the necessity  
all through one's life, of patching up, or  
having to do over again, half done and  
botched work, is not only a source of ter-  
rible waste, but the subsequent loss of  
self-respect and life is also very great.

There is great economy in putting the  
highest possible personal investment in  
everything we do. Any thoroughness of  
effort which takes personal power to a  
higher value is a judicious expenditure of  
individual effort. Do not be afraid to  
show thoroughness in whatever you  
undertake. Thoroughness is a great  
quality when once mastered. It makes  
all work easier, and brings to life more  
satisfaction. [Ex.]

If you can know what a boy wishes to  
be, you can tell pretty nearly what he will  
be. If he is all the time wishing for  
strength, he can knock the other boys  
around, he is a coward and will most likely  
grow up into a bully. If he is all the  
time wishing to be rich, he will grow self-  
ish, and if the opportunity offers he may  
become dishonest. If he wishes to be  
thought a manly boy, the chances are he  
will grow up into an honorable, respected  
man.—[Purser's Indian Guide.]

There is nothing so bad but what god  
may come of it.—[Ex.]