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GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

One who by nature possesses those qualities which are in accord with good citizenship is fortunate, indeed. A good citizen is a law abiding person—one who believes in upholding the law and obeying its mandates to the letter. If the law is not a good one, assuring justice to all, change the law. But so long as a certain article on our statute books is there unrepealed or annulled let it have that obedience and observance which mark good citizenship.

What is good citizenship? may be asked. The above paragraph outlines the answer. But to become a good citizen sometimes requires considerable self-schooling. Respect for authority is a necessary element in good citizenship. To be amenable to discipline is a step in the right direction. If you will not respect discipline you are likely to have little regard for the laws of your country. Obedience on the part of every individual of the nation is what renders law so powerful and far-reaching. That stamp of citizenship which is of the highest is

found where the inhabitants of the nation are in largest numbers with a sentiment in their minds for enforcement of the laws.

Right laws are the protection of life and property. Their enforcement assures all—the young and the aged, the poor and the rich—of protection and justice. Without enforcement of law disorders will abound; we should become a riotous horde; the strong would outrage and prey upon the weak, and our citizenship become so disrupted and disorganized that our very nation would go to pieces. No longer would we possess national pride or patriotism. As a people we would prove to the other nations of earth that we were incapable of self-government. Our foreign policies would be of such instability that, lacking national integrity, other nations would look upon us with distrust. Finally, through the utter lack of good citizenship, we would be liable to become involved in war such as would leave us in the bondage of indemnity for years to come, even if we did not lose our freedom as a people.

From the above brief statement of facts it is easy to perceive the importance of good citizenship. It is the mother of patriotism, of national life. It is our protection, individually and collectively; therefore, let us show our worth by so conducting ourselves that we shall be in accord with all of those elements which stand for law and order.

PURPOSE.

"Purpose" is a word well worthy consideration. Its meaning is far reaching and it figures largely in the affairs of life. To have a purpose is to be possessed of an aim or object, a motive or plan, a design and desire for the accomplishment of a given thing. The purpose