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THE COMING YEAR.

The mill is not turned by the water that has passed. We know this, all of us. But few of us learn the lesson taught by this old saying. Suppose that we take the moral as a reminder that we cannot hope to do things with the time that has passed. This gives the matter a personal aspect and we begin to realize that in the past we have wasted much valuable time.

Our lives are made up of time units and if we allow a year to pass into eternity without making the best possible use of it we are practically throwing away a portion of our lives. Think of this, students, in the utmost seriousness. Few, indeed, there are of us who have not capacity for the accomplishment of something worthy—something useful to mankind and creditable to ourselves. Let us make up our minds what we wish to do, what we should like to be, what we should like to pursue during the time allotted us on earth. And having settled the matter in our own minds we must not sit down and wait for our

desires to be fulfilled and the things we wish to come to us. We must be up and doing—get busy; go after what we want.

Let every student resolve in his or her mind to do the best possible during the coming year. Resolve to accomplish something good for yourself and you will discover that at the same time you are helping your friends, your community, state and government. Almost before we are aware of it this school year will have passed the way of countless thousand other years, so make your resolution now—then act at once. It is not necessary to tell everybody that you intend doing this, that, or the other thing, but it is necessary that you do something good on your own account. It is important that you act at once upon the right kind of resolution. Put a value of great price upon the coming year and make the greatest possible use of it.

Unwearied pursuit every thing yields to it. A great team is capacity and determination. Capacity makes possible the achievement of great things, while determination assures "unwearied pursuit," which invariably brings success, no matter how great may be the undertaking in hand. No matter what may be your walk in life, remember that nothing is ever gained by being a "quitter"

A good character shines like a diamond all the time. Its inward lusture is as great as its outward, for it sheds a ray upon the very soul of the possessor which glorifies him beyond the expression of words and puts him in harmony with himself and the universe.