

**YOUNG MEN'S BEST CHANCES.**

"Business conditions of the great cities are not favorable to young men," writes Edward W. Bok in the October Ladies' Home Journal, advising young men about to begin their careers against going to the big cities. "It is said," he continues, "that competition develops men. It does, unquestionably. But to cope with present competition as it exists in the centres, calls for a vast amount of experience. That experience a man must have back of him before he can enter the competing arena. 'But how can I better acquire that experience than where there is constant need of it?' How better, my young friend? By serving a long apprenticeship in some city smaller than the greatest. The large cities are today poor places in which to learn the rudiments of business competition, for while the young man is learning, the experienced man swallows him up. 'But that is experience,' persists the young man. It is, but a more severe kind than there is need of: a kind which, once indulged in, does not leave a pleasant remembrance. Competition in a smaller city may be just as keen, proportionately, but, what is all-important to the young man starting out, the risks are not so great: the experience is not apt to be so costly should he fail to succeed. It is a true saying that a man before he succeeds in business must expect to measure his height on the ground a time or two. But it is not necessary that in his first knock-down he should be knocked out.

"But there is another and more important fact which the young man away from the large cities does not realize. It is that the number of possible positions in the large cities is not increasing, despite the reiterated assertions constantly made to the contrary. The very opposite is the truth. Various causes explain this: higher taxes, higher prices of lots, or lack of building room, labor strikes, and lower cost of production. The manufacturing interests of this country are constantly tending toward the smaller cities and away from the centres. All this means fewer positions, since only in rare instances does the executive branch of a business call for a larger number of employees than does the manufacturing side. Strange as the change of current may seem, it is, nevertheless, a fact that the young man who today leaves a good-sized city of actual manufacturing advantages, turns his back on what in a few years will be one of the industrial beehives of America."

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