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A WORD TO THE YOUNG

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Most young people do not like to be moralized or preached to or lectured. Full of the exuberance and ambitions of youth they think there will be plenty of time for that when they get older. For the present they want to be let alone to follow their own wills and to learn by experience as their elders have done. This objection to being advised by their elders springs from the assurance born of ignorance and inexperience. Every young person should commit to memory this saying of a wise man of the past generation: "Experience is a poor school to learn in, but fools will learn in no other." Although this may be putting it a little strongly, at least the young as well as the middle aged and the old could be saved many sorrows and trials if they would consent to learn and profit by the experience of others.

All the sciences and the arts as we have them today are the results of the study, investigations and experience of the men of the past. How much of a scientist would one be if he refused to be guided by the knowledge and experience of others? Civilization, too, is but an accumulation of experiences, each generation building upon the experiences and achievements of the past. No man and no nation that give no heed to what others know or have done ever get far in any line. And so with the young. The young man or woman who is self-willed and persistently determined not to listen to advice is headed straight for certain failure and disaster.

The safest counselors that any young man or young woman can have are a wise, moral and loving father and a saintly, self-sacrificing mother. The young men and women with such fathers and mothers can not go far wrong in ordering their lives if they constantly follow the path in which their parents have set their feet. Too many of such young people when they arrive at the age of independence and leave the parental roof soon begin to think that their fathers are behind them and old fogies in their ideas of morality and life, and their mothers out of date and ignorant of the correct standards of the present day; that it is all right to yield to certain temptations to sin, to satisfy one's appetite for some of the things that are destructive of what is best in us and to gratify some of the passions that are debasing. Others that are accounted respectable do this; why should not they?

Young man, young woman, the most precious heritage that any person can ever have is a training when young in a harmonious, pure, religious home. No matter how much worldly goods your parents may leave you or how much you may accumulate for yourself, all is nothing compared with the principles, precepts and rules of life acquired in such a home. Do not throw away this precious heritage for anything the world can give. Cling to this home inheritance and guard and protect it as you would diamonds. Once lost it may be gone forever, and you will surely find when too late that the follies and gratifications of the world for which you have sacrificed it bring nothing but sorrow and suffering. If they bring a kind of pleasure for the moment, at the last they certainly "bite like a serpent and sting like an adder."

This is no argument in support of the proposition that one should always blindly follow one's parents in religion. Religion is a matter strictly and entirely between your own conscience and your God. You may properly reject the creeds and beliefs of your parents for something that appeals to you as truer or higher. But if you spurn, spit upon and trample under foot their religious precepts of honesty, purity and righteousness, and turn to "the beggarly elements of the world," be sure that you will pay for this kind of heresy in untold anguish and suffering in this world, whatever punishment awaits you in the world to come.

If you have not had the benefit of an early training in a home such as that referred to above, you may find it harder to keep your feet in paths that lead only to the honest, the pure, the elevating things of life; but you can do it; you are not left by the God who made you with no guide for your life. He has put a germ of Himself into your own being giving you as to everyone of His children the unlimited capacity to love and to develop in yourself all that is good and true and holy.

You may not know or believe this, but this you do know—the lowest man in the world knows it—that when you are tempted to do wrong, to yield to sin, there is something in you that tells you not to do it; that is striving to restrain the natural impulses and passions in you. Train yourself to listen to and follow this inward monitor. It will lead you to certain success, happiness and peace. It is true that you may refuse to hear and heed this inward prompting so often that for the time being it is silenced. But it is there, even if it can not always make its voice heard. If at no other time, in your better moments you will hear it. Ask for, pray for, this Monitor, and heed its promptings as you would the advice of the wisest and best friend you have.

In short the moral laws of God are written in your heart, and they are self-executing. Infraction of them brings punishment certain and terrible. You can know this by observing the effects of disobedience to them in the lives of others; no need to learn it by bitter experiences in your own life. One who is at all wise will try to learn what these moral laws are and to obey them. The constant prayer of every person, young, middle aged or old should be, "Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes; and I will keep it unto the end."

There is a poultry boom on in the Salem district. Push the poultry industry; keep it going, and Salem will be headed towards the Petaluma-plus goal.

The biggest thing in Oregon is the paved roads program of state, counties and districts. Salem slogan on Paved Highways, on Thursday. Add your help.

The reduced rate on lumber, effective after this month, to eastern points, will help some; though the reduction is only 7 cents a hundred pounds.

President Harding tells the newspaper correspondents that he is in favor of "approximate" disarmament, provided the other fellows are of the same mind. "In vain is the net set in the sight of any bird."

A gold plated horseshoe has been presented to President Harding. Everybody join in Joe Murphy's famous song. "Never Take the Horseshoe From the Door."

MINISTERIAL MODISTE'S MODEL.

The Philadelphia clergymen who have designed a "moral gown" for model garments which is certified as an intelligent attitude on the question of the moral regulation of feminine attire. They have not limited their reform to laying down general rules but have actually fashioned a model garment which is certified as conforming to all the specifications of modesty and propriety, even to the height of the waist and length of skirt.

The ministerial modiste is something new in dress reform, but why not? If there are morals in clothes are they not a proper subject for ecclesiastical supervision? The results of leaving the matter to the lay judgment of tailors untrained in moral regulation are only too apparent.

But the ministers having exhibited their model moral gown, it remains to get women to adopt it. It may be well, as one of the clerical designers, intimated, to obtain an approving word from Paris. An atelier established in the Rue de la Paix for the manufacture of moral costumes might help toward making them the mode. Luther did not see why the devil should have all the good tunes; why not utilize the arts of sinful dressmaking in popularizing pure clothes?—New York World.

KINDERGARTENS THE KIDDIES' MOVIES.

Giving children the advantages of kindergarten training is a matter very much neglected by parents. The Froebel-Pestalozzi system, before they reach school age, is just what childhood craves and it helps make them contented, happy boys and girls. The foundation is laid in stories, games, songs, plays and occupations that are adapted to the child mind at the most important period of its growth. Its activities are directed along normal lines and entirely different from much attempted training and discipline in the home. The child's creative and imaginative faculties are utilized and developed. The child

FUTURE DATES

March 20, Wednesday—Dual debate between Morningstar College of Sioux City, Iowa, and Willamette.
March 23, Friday—Anniversary celebration of Company M.
March 27, Sunday—Easter Day.
March 29, Tuesday—Dance at Armory under auspices of Daughters of Isabella.
March 31, Thursday—Willamette Glee Club, Grand Theatre.
April 1, Friday—Annual Salem concert by Willamette Glee Club, Grand Theatre.
April 8, Friday—Dual Women's debate between W. S. C. and Willamette.
April 12, Friday—Baseball, Willamette vs. U. of O. at Salem.
April 16, Saturday—Baseball, Willamette vs. U. of O. at Eugene.
April 16 and 17, Saturday and Sunday—Baseball, Salem Senators vs. Regina.
April 22, Friday—Dual Debate between Willamette and Whitman.
May 6 to 8 inclusive—Annual conference of Evangelical Association.
May 26, 27 and 28—Baseball, Willamette vs. Whitman, at Walla Walla.
October 1, Saturday (tentative)—Football, Willamette vs. O. A. C. at Corvallis.
November 24, Thursday (tentative)—Thanksgiving day, football, Willamette vs. Multnomah, at Salem.

sonary work the farmers tar and feather 'em. Yet is not so very long ago that the Kansas farmers were ready to take up with all manner of strange and radical doctrines. Kansas was the hotbed of populism. Now the Kansas farmers shave every morning and their homes are equipped with open plumbing.

EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE

Appeals For Near East

Editor Statesman:—The following appeal from Major General Leonard Wood; Assistant secretary of the Navy Theodore Roosevelt; Secretary of the Treasury Mellon; Samuel Gompers and others, is released for publication March 20.

While this appeal is for the Near East alone, I am sure it will be read by the state in the light of the joint appeal which we are making for both the Chinese and the Near East sufferers.

The spirit of Easter is one of sacrifice. The great sacrifice of Biblical history was made then. That sacrifice has been made since in many lands by many individuals. But never in history has a whole nation made the sacrifices for the faith that the Armenians have made. It is not 'none of our business' what happens to the Armenians. They stand for a stubbornness in

what they believe—and what we believe—that makes their struggle our struggle. We can no more refuse to help them than we could let one of our divisions holding a sector in the late war be cut to pieces when we had the reserves to save it.

We have the reserves of food and money and sympathy. We can do the job—do all of it. We can do it ourselves, without being told to do it by anybody, in any company of nations. It is not a political duty, or a matter of commercial expediency. It is an opportunity—an opportunity to make our idealism a dynamic influence in the world, not just fine phrases. The man who has least among us has more than most in Armenia. It is one of the finest things in our history that, through the Near East relief, the American people, from the richest to the poorest, unsolicited, have kept a hundred and ten thousand children in Armenia from hunger and death; have saved a whole people from annihilation, and have done it without fanfares of self-righteousness.

I, and the American men and women who sign with me, ask that this work go on. It is an American work and in harmony with the best traditions of big-hearted American generosity. It cannot falter or pause.

Trusting you may find space for General Wood's message, cordially yours,
—J. J. Handsaker.
Director China-Near East Relief.

JUST A RULE

A sailor had been showing an old lady over a large liner and, after thanking him, she suddenly remarked:

"I see that, according to the

ship's orders, tips are forbidden." The sailor then turned to the visitor and, with a knowing look, answered:

"Why, bless yer, ma'am, so were apples in the Garden of Eden."—Exchange.

Burst—How come you're taking up chewing tobacco?
Dud—Well, the wife drinks home brew and smokes cigars, so I've got to do something to assert my masculinity.—League Weekly.



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