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DO GREAT MEN ORIGINATE IN CITIES?

A statement has been going the rounds of the papers that nearly all the notable men of the last half century have originated in the country rather than in the city. There is enough of truth in this statement to arrest attention, and to set on foot inquiries why this declaration should be partly true; for it may be assumed at the outset that it is not wholly true. We have in mind a number of men who have been greatly distinguished as jurists, scholars, statesmen and literary men who were actually born in cities, and who, for the most part, were educated there, so that all their early, as well as mature associations, were of the city. But most of our great men have come from the country. They were born at a time when there were really no large cities in this country. Sixty years ago there were no cities, in what is now called the West, of any size. Chicago had no existence, Cincinnati was a mere hamlet, St. Louis was nothing more. New York, Philadelphia and Boston were comparatively small places. The greater number of notable men were born necessarily outside of these cities. There is one other fact of importance. The men who have made the greatest figure in literature either have gone, or have become old men, with no succession. Cooper, Irving, Bryant, Hawthorne, Thoreau, Motley and Prescott have gone; Holmes, Longfellow, Wendell Phillips and Bancroft are now old men—past seventy years. Where are their successors? They are certainly not in the cities; and one might look in vain for them in the country. It is true enough that cities are constantly being replenished by blood and brawn from the country. Most of the great merchants were bred up in the country, or rather went to the cities as boys or young men, with nothing but hands and brains with which to work out success.

Looking at the exceptional cases which may be brought in to qualify the original statement, it is probably true that by far the larger per cent. of young men from the country who go to the city achieve more success than is found among city-bred young men. What is there in country training which makes the difference? In the first place, the public schools in the country do not usually maintain so high a standard of education. There are fewer books, libraries and other outward appliances of education. But, for all this, it has been apparent in all the older States that the young man from the country has a firmer fiber, more reserved power, toughness and tenacity of purpose than the city-bred boy. There is little in the observations which one can make in San Francisco to confirm these views. The city and the country are too new in the matter of civilization and progress to afford much data of this kind. Young men both from the city and country succeed and fail, and it is not now easy to separate them into classes.

But admitting that the hypothesis is correct it is worth while to look a little beneath the surface for some reasons for the difference stated. Some of these have been already suggested. Besides the toughness of fiber—hardness which comes from frugal living—the country-bred young man is trained to expect nothing which does not come from long and persistent hard work. He understands that he must work out his own temporal salvation. He is not bred up to any large expectations. One

secret of success is that he has learned to make the most of his few opportunities. A little money goes a great way with him. Even his poverty, his scant opportunities, his isolation, have brought to him some real advantages. He has learned to tax all his possibilities. Suppose he carries these qualities to the city? In that event they are so many guaranties of success. He is the tough, patient, hard-working, frugal and temperate boy in the city, "and as honest as the day is long." His natural abilities are as good as those of any city-bred boy. Perhaps he has some of the best blood in the country in his veins. That will help him also in his career.

Now, the city-bred young man has also his advantages. He has had good schools, a great deal of stimulus which may have made him a little precocious. He sees much of society early, and is never without a round of amusements. If his parents are rich, then he is a lad of large expectations. He does not see the necessity of buckling down to hard work; and is apt to like social life much better. There is a round of parties which he must attend. In short, amusements, social indulgence, soften his fiber, and if they do not make him effeminate, they take away his toughness and staying power. What is the use of all this hard work, since his father has already accumulated enough for him? He expects a great deal at the outset. He therefore starts on a different plane from the country boy. Social dissipation leads possibly to some confirmed bad habits, and so the "young man about town," with large family expectations, has his lack, now and then making a night of it, and is very much liked as a clever fellow. The poor boys in the city would have a better career in the country. They would have less temptation, and would often acquire better habits of industry and frugality. Yet some of them succeed in obtaining a good outfit in the way of education, because the latter is cheap and good, and with this and good home-training, they make men of mark.

If a large per cent. of country boys obtain success in the city it is not so difficult after all to discover some of the reasons. The city is constantly drawing the brightest men of the country to it, because for such it frequently offers a better career. The city boy ought to succeed on his own ground as certainly as the country boy who comes to occupy it. It is not the difference of native talent, but a difference of training affecting the physical, moral and intellectual fiber. There is a great deal of wealth in the large cities, a great deal of dissipation, idleness and crime. There is always danger that the city-bred boy will know too much about things of which he should know nothing, and omit to learn a great deal which he ought to know and hold fast. The very advantages of the city become disadvantages, if the boy starts out with large expectations, and must have, from the first, a large measure of indulgence. Yet it is in the city, with large advantages, that we ought to look for a corresponding proportion of notable men who are native born. If the country boy becomes a notable man in the city, it is partly because he has had a supplemental education at the right time of his life, which has taken out of him his provincial narrowness and made him a citizen of the world.

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What a Foreigner Says of the United States.

Professor R. P. Spice, President of the Society of Engineers of London, and a very intelligent and practical Englishman, who has been traveling over the United States, looking at things with a practical eye, returned to New York a few days ago and was visited by a reporter, who asked his opinion on a great many subjects. Some of his views are interesting. "Chicago," he says, "is wonderful in its trade, but seems to be a city of gambling and corners." Of the Mormons and their capital he says: "I wonder how they get immigrants as they do; but I think their faith will kill itself and be crushed out by the younger generation. The sanitary arrangements are really abominable, although everything is externally clean, and in a few years the city will become a hot-bed of fevers." At San Francisco his attention was called to "the shocking bad pavements of all the cities here, beginning at New York. It is not merely dirt, but the character of the paving. In London we have used wood successfully, because it is laid in concrete; but in Chicago they were laying wood in sand, which is simply foolish."

Of British and American agriculture, he says: "We have had five bad seasons in England, and the sixth and last was also made unfavorable by the rain. There is no excessive dampness here, while in England the weather has baffled agriculture. I found the cost of sending a bushel of wheat from St. Louis twenty cents, and seventeen cents from Chicago. If the English farmer paid only a pound a year rent he could not compete with American farming. Well-to-do people in England regard coming to America as they do transportation; but if they don't do this there is nothing left but starvation." His views on the subject of the electric light are novel: "The more the electric light is improved the more gas property will thrive. The electric light is not to be depended on and is inapplicable to most interiors and streets. It can be used for special outdoors or indoors, as squares or large rooms, like the composing room of the London Times. These are exceptional uses which will only increase the use of gas. People won't go from very light squares or other places into dark or feeble-lighted streets; and therefore the number and force of gas-jets must be increased."

Governor Blackburn of Kentucky, in the portion of his message touching upon the subject of immigration to that state, certainly does not make it appear that his people want colonies of industrious immigrants to settle among them. Speaking for himself, individually, he says: "I cordially extend the hand of welcome to every honest and industrious man who enters our state, however poor and friendless he may be;" but he does not give the Bureau of Immigration much encouragement when he says: "I must acknowledge that many of our most intelligent citizens do not believe that extreme density of population adds to human happiness."

"Do you have any fast horses in Germany?" asked Gus DeSmith of an old Austin German, who is known as "Truthful Fritz," on account of his sincerity and hatred of everything sensational. "Does he have fast horses in Sherman?" he replied. "I should shoot smile. Von day Baron von Kulshwappel, a good friend by me, dakes me out in his horse and puggy. After we

rides about an hour, I says: 'What for you drives so much in this cemetery?' He says: 'Dena va milstentst make it look shoost like ve, yas in one big graveyard.' And now you want to know if ve has fast horses in Sherman."

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