

WHAT SHALL THE YOUNG MAN DO?

(By John A. Howland)

Some one with criticism in his tone, has asked me where, out of the myriad callings in which men start out with ambition to an end that shall betray them at the last—where is that definite one line in which ambition may expend itself to the end of a full and ripened life of satisfied contentment with its accomplished success?

There is no one such infallible line of endeavor for any one individual ever born and trained to civilized life! Burdette, the humorist, years ago explained why this statement is true and his explanation is as good as any other I ever heard or read:

"God allows sin and discontent to rule the world in order to keep the angels from wanting to emigrate!"

It is one of the ironies of fate that it is the young and untired man who is charged with choosing or accepting his occupation in life, virtually that he may discover at the end whether he "likes it or not." Ask the first mature man you meet who has a son in school—ask him if he is intending to have his son grow up to the profession or trade or business which he himself has followed all his life.

This is one of the supreme tests of the mature man's real satisfaction with himself and with his calling in life. It is remarkable how few men there are in any walk of life who are willing to say that they would choose for an only son that path by which they have reached either failure or worldly success. Or if the father be willing to make this choice for his son, how many sons there are who refuse to accept it.

Ordinarily that man who has made much money in business would enter his son for one of the professions. That man who has struggled through a profession which has doled his living out to him is most likely to choose a business career for his son, which is one of the great working forces that tend to keep the equilibrium of the world. Seeking for the cause of this leveling influence it will be found always in that one word—discontent! In some way something has not satisfied ambition. Ways to it, means to the end, success or failure—something has been lacking.

"What am I going to do?" is that inevitable question which comes to the young man in any position in life. If a dead father shall have left him \$100,000,000 as a legacy he must ask what he is going to do with it. If a father shall have left him penniless he must ask himself how he shall acquire at least a moiety of money which must be his passport in the world.

But when the question is asked by the young man who has everything to gain, he must ask the further question, "What have I to do it with?" A man with a wood chopper's ax asking whether he should cut wood or sink a shaft to a coal bed 200 feet below him would be a fool. If he should have only a pick and attempt to become a wood chopper, society would put him in a madhouse.

I am chary always in referring the young man to some of those old, basic truths of right living, the nursing of ideals and holding fast by them though the heavens fall. Most of them have fallen into disrepute because of having fallen into disuse and because of didactic and hypocritical pratings by the man who preaches one thing and who does another. But I had that rare opportunity not long ago of talking with a business man who had just drawn checks for \$50,000 in payment of outlawed debts which the law said he didn't owe, and if I am a judge of men \$500,000 or \$500,000,000 would not have bought the look that was in that man's face or taken the light from his clear gray eye. Here was a man, too, who, falling once in his business life, would have his son pursue that line of work to which he had lent dignity and honor by one individual act of honesty! Would you ask why?

I have told that young man who would ask the road to an ambitious goal which shall be all-satisfying that no such goal is possible. It is a fallacy which was ordained a fallacy in the laying of the foundations of the world. Absolute satisfaction and content is as chimerical as the scheme of perpetual motion. Perpetual lack of motion would be the result of absolute content; also an impossibility in nature. Contentment merely to die when one has

reached the limit of life may be the only realization of this condition.

But at the same time discontent is a certainty in such varying degree in the world that the modification of that discontent is worth while. The law of compensation holds good through all the complex organization of civilized social life. In his adaptability to that life in which nature left him with the instinct of self-preservation the young man must find his compensations as he moves toward his ambitions. Those intricate mechanisms of the social body are so adjusted in such intricate design and movement that I would not risk saying that the most accomplished burglar in the world were a better man for refusing to commit burglary! How could I when 100,000 decent guardians of the law make a decent living because of the burglar's menace to society?

As a final counter broad question of my young friend, what is ambition that it should seek a profound fulfillment of its ends?—take from the highest order of the ambitions that personal element of selfishness and you have crippled the ambitious man at the starting line! And if I were the ruler of the destinies of men and might wish to endow an individual with the miseries of the damned, I would make him wholly selfish and turn him loose that he might earn them all!

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HOW TO WIN A WOMAN

(By Helen Oldfield.)

It is a mistake to suppose that the average man believes that, provided he is willing to exert himself and to take the time and trouble, he can marry any woman of his acquaintance who is not won already. There undoubtedly are some men who are so conceited, but this number is relatively few. Unless he is uncommonly good looking or attractive, in which case the woman he knows from his infancy have combined to spoil him, the young American of today is disposed to be modest and unassuming, rather than otherwise. Moreover, this disposition upon his part usually is increased by his falling in love. The effect of love upon the true lover is to make him different, even humble. He exalts the lady of his choice and abases himself, and in most cases is quite ready to acknowledge that he is not half good enough for her. True, neither is any other man worthy of her in his eyes, but that does not interfere with the fact of his humility.

He by no means imagines that he has only to go in and win, and probably no question so anxiously has been pondered by the average young man as this: "How shall I win her? Dare I hope to make her love me?" To wrestle with the problem numberless lovers have trudged weary miles, bored their friends to exhaustion, and of nights tramped the floor in a fever of impatient longing.

Yet all this is more or less unnecessary. There is much truth in the Shakespearean saying: "She is a woman, therefore to be won," and if a lover only will conform to the comparatively simple requirements of the case, and move along the lines of a reasonable course with patience and gentleness, he almost certainly can win the woman he desires to wife.

There scarcely is a woman who does not feel some degree of interest in any man who she has reason to think is in love with her. Even if she does not return the sentiment, nay, more, if he is altogether undesirable, she at least is sorry for him, and approves of his taste. He has paid her the greatest compliment in his power. When a man whose admiration does her credit comes a-wooing, even the most standoffish girl becomes aware of the joints in her armor, and her first impulse is to conceal them. It often is a case that a girl who seems cold, and stiff, and distant to her admirer really is upon the defensive; like a timid, frightened bird who already begins to feel the stirrings of a love and interest which she unconsciously recognizes has only to be continued long enough in order to make her surrender all that she is and all that she has into the hands of her captor.

The first thing for a lover to do is to be sure he really is in love. The half-hearted lover, who does not feel the passion he professes, never can hope to awaken true and lasting affection in a woman's heart.

Granted that "men are deceivers ever," there are few who can counterfeit so skillfully as to successfully delude a woman upon this point.

Having convinced himself that he really is in love, that he has found the one woman of all the world for him, his next step is to convince her of the sincerity of his affection. All women love to be loved, and, once assured of a man's affection, straightway feel more or less interest in that man. In order to convince a woman of his love, it is necessary for a man to show his faith by his works. What wins a woman's love most surely in a man is his capacity for love-making. His devotion to her, provided it be not oppressive, his tenderness and ardor will make her his more surely than anything else in the known world. The plainest man, who understands the art of paying delicate little attentions to a woman, who remembers her tastes to gratify them, who, for instance, does not forget her birthday, may succeed as well or better than the handsomest man who thinks more of himself than of her.

It is the part of a lover not only to make the most of himself but also to make the most of her whom he loves. It is exceedingly sweet to a woman to know that she has been raised upon a pedestal. The humility of her lover, provided there is nothing abject about it, is dearly precious to the woman who loves. Only let her know his ideal of her, and if she is worthy of his devotion she will deem it a sacred privilege to be in fact all that his most romantic fancy has pictured her. And whatever a man may be to the world, he owes it to the woman whom he loves to be to her something better than his common self. There lies a poet's heart in many a man who never has written a line of verse; an artistic soul in many a man who cannot draw a picture, a musician's nature in many a man who cannot turn a tune. Thus in every human being, whatever his shortcomings may be, there is a better self, a purer nature, which it should be his delight to show to the woman he loves. It often is said that lovers see in each other things no one else can discover. "Love is blind," says the proverb. May not the truth be that its vision is clearer and stronger than that of any other?

A wooer needs persistence also. He must be resolved to keep on no matter how long it takes, and to come up smiling, time after time, no matter how many refusals he may encounter, so long as he is sure no one else has won the prize. Constant dropping will wear away a stone, and the man who perseveres is apt to win.

Besides, all women are not difficult to win. Some certainly are, but there are many others who are ready to drop like a ripe peach into the arms of a lover. Nevertheless it safely may be taken for granted that every woman is a source of anxiety and apprehension to the man who is trying to persuade her to marry him.

Above all the lover should watch for chances and be ready to seize the proper psychological moment. "There is a tide," etc. Likewise there is a changeability in the moods of most women which, taken by the lover in the nick of time, leads the two to the marriage altar. For the man to whom the game is worth the candle, it is demanded that he take time and pains.

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