

Young Folks.

Choosing a Profession.

BY S. H.

It is really wonderful, to note the number of celebrities who choose their professions at a very tender age. Lord Nelson, entered the navy when only twelve years old. The Duke of Wellington graduated from a military school at seventeen. The Duke of Marlborough, deserting the splendors of the court, sought the battlefield, when an ardent youth of fifteen. Two of our wealthy New York merchants, when only twelve years of age, engaged in the business which they still follow successfully. In fact, it seems to be an observant eye, as if professions, impatient to be chosen, often select their own agents, and storming heart, hands and brain, make them captive to their will. Whitefield the celebrated preacher, was not only called, but chosen, for he composed sermons while mopping the rooms in his mother's tavern.

Many children are born with a love of adventure, and an unconquerable fondness for the sea, or the woods and fields, which they find it impossible to resist. Of this class, were Sir John Franklin the naturalist, occasionally, native genius, and peculiar talents, assert themselves so plainly, that there can be no question with their possessors, as to choice of career. The Quakers were forced to acknowledge this, when they saw what the child-artist, Benjamin West, could accomplish with cat-hairs, charcoal and chalk.

But early surroundings—or the force of circumstances, decide the profession of the majority. George Stephenson, of steam engine fame, was born eight miles from Newcastle, and raised among the coal pits. When a very little boy he amused himself by making mills, and clay engines. Linnæus, the celebrated Botanist, received his taste for flowers in the little garden where he spent so many happy hours of childhood. Daniel Webster was obliged to copy law briefs and other legal documents, to partially support himself while attending school. This practice, first inclined him toward that profession he afterwards adorned so brilliantly.

Now, if any of you are free to select your own profession, be unbiased by surrounding, force of circumstances or guiding talent, the world is before you. Reflect seriously, and solemnly, ere you decide upon your life's vocation. One may remedy a mistaken choice of profession, as did Sir John Hunter, the first of English surgeons, originally a carpenter, but there is always a mournful recollection of wasted time. Do not rely altogether upon your inclinations, but use judgment and discretion. Ask the advice of parents and friends. Take into consideration your habits, constitution and temperament. Aim to seek the calling you are best qualified to adapt yourself to. Determine whether natural gifts and education, have fitted you for the labor of head or hands. Be sure which kind of employment, sedentary or active, is suited to your tastes and constitution.

Then if your heart bounds with joy, at the prospect of mastering a learned profession, or if your fingers tingle to ply the mechanic's tools, let no considerations of social rank or foolish pride influence your choice. But unless, on calm reflection, you recognize in yourself a peculiar fitness for the study, and practice of law, medicine or divinity, I would advise each of you who can, to first learn a trade. Many young men who are dependent upon their own exertions, acquire the art of book-keeping, as a preparatory step to business. While they always find the knowledge they acquire desirable, and valuable, they also find a lack of permanent situations. And it is a notable fact, that in a new country, where book-keepers, and professional men generally, are at a discount, the carpenter, blacksmith, and even the jack-of-all-trades is at a premium, commanding plenty of work, and the best of pay. Of one thing rest assured, in learning a trade you gain a reserve capital, and to quote plain, but homely language, "will always have something to fall back upon."

Hugh Miller, the geologist and writer, first chipped the rocks as a stone mason, and if you will conscientiously select a department of labor with regard to usefulness toward God and man, you may also rise to eminence and influence. Whatever the business of life, act well your part, and prove to the world, that the man ennobles the profession, not the profession the man!

Leaves and the Wind. Once on a time a leaf was heard to sigh and cry, as leaves often do when a gentle wind is about. And the twigs said: "What is the matter, little leaf?" "The wind," said the leaf, "just told me that one day it would pull me off, and throw me to the ground to die."

The twig told it to the branch, and the branch told it to the tree. And when the tree heard it, it rustled all over, and sent word back to the leaf: "Do not be afraid, hold on tightly, and you shall not go off until you want to."

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And so the leaf stopped sighing, and went on singing and rustling. And so it grew all summer long until October. And when the bright days of autumn came, the leaf saw all the leaves around becoming very beautiful. Some were very yellow, and some were scarlet, and some were striped with colors. Then it asked the tree what it meant. And the tree said: "All these leaves are getting ready to fly away, and they have put on these colors because of their joy."

Then the leaf began to want to go, and grew very beautiful in thinking of it. And when it was very gay in color, it saw that the branches of the tree had no color in them, and so the leaf said: "I will not go until you are ready to let me go."

"Do branch, why are you so lead-colored, and you golden?" "We must keep on our clothes," said the tree, "for our work is not yet done, but your clothes are for a holiday, because your task is over."

Just then a little puff of wind came, and the leaf let go without thinking of it, and the wind took it up and turned it over, and then let it fall gently under the edge of a fence among hundreds of leaves, and it never waked up to tell what it dreamed of.

An English traveler asserts that where there is very subject to rust it is completely checked by the use of salt. He recommends about five hundred weight per acre, applied during the winter or in early spring. Who will make the experiment and let us hear the result?

Patent Medicines.

AN APPEAL TO Debilitated Persons, To Dyspeptics, To Sufferers from Liver Complaint, To Those having no Appetite, To those with Broken Down Constitutions, To Nervous People, To Children Wasting Away, To any with Debilitated Digestive Organs.

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