Tittle Iflly
 made his business known．
a filk into my office，my lad，＂said ＂he merchant．＂I＇ll attend to you soun．＂
When he waited on his customer，he took a seat near the lad，and espied a ci gar in his hat．This was enough．＂In faithful lad；but I see that you sumoke cigars and in my experience of my years， I have ever fuund oigar－smoking in had habits，and，if I an not mistaken，your breath is au evidence that you are not an exception．You can leave，you win not
suit me．＂ John－for this was his nạme－held down his head，and left the store；and an
he wallied alonir the strect，a stranger and friendless，the counsel of his poor mother cane forcibly to his mind，who， upon her death bed，called him to her side，and placing her emaciated hand up－ I＇m going to leave you．You well know What disgrace and misery your father brought on us before his death，and I want you to promise me before 1 die cursed poison that killed your father． Promise me this，and be a good
Johnny，and I shall die in peace．＂
The sealding tears trickled down John ny＇s eheeks，and he promised ever to re－
member the dying words of his mother， and never to drink any spirituous liquors； but he soon forgot his promise，and when he received the rebuke from the he remembered what his mother said，and what he had promised her，and he cried aloud，and people gazed at him He weut this lodrines，and，throwing himself upon the bed，gave vent to his feelings in sobs that were heard all over the house．
But John had moral courage．He had energy and determination，and ere an
hour had passed，he made up his mind aever to taste another drop of liquor，nor suoke another cigar as long as he－lived． He went straight back to the merchant． Said he，＂Sir，you very properly sent me been guilty of；but，sir，I have neither father nor mother，and though I have oc casionally done what I ought not to do，
and not followed the grood advice of my poor mother on her death bed，nor done as I promised her I would do，yet 1 lave mother drop of liguor，nor smoke another cigar；and if you，sir，will only try me， is all I ask．
The merchant was struck with the de－ cision and energy of the boy，and at once ycars，this lad was a partner in the busi－ noss，and is now worth ten thousand dol－ lars．He has faitufully kept his

Boys，think of this circumstance，as you enter upon the duties of life，and re－ your destiny for good or for cvil depends． －Northern Farmer．

A plain and unschooled man，who had A．plain ais education priucipally be－ neath the open sky，in the field or the forest，and who hade speaking of childreme remarked with true and beautiful sinu－ plicity；


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