



Stray Thoughts

Not alone reformation but regeneration should be our aim.

A small boy joined his companions one holiday with a sad expression of countenance. "Why don't you smile?" one of them asked. "I'm all dressed up," was his mournful reply. His mother had put on his new suit with the strict injunction not to get it soiled.

Parental neglect is the cause of seventy-five per cent. of juvenile delinquency.

Oh, little feet that such long years
 Must wander on through hopes and fears,
 Must ache and bleed beneath your load,
 I, nearer to the wayside inn
 Where toil shall cease and rest begin,
 Am weary, thinking of your load!

The human soul without education is like marble in a quarry—showing none of its inherent beauties until the skill of the polisher brings out its colors.

A storekeeper went to a great deal of trouble in serving a boy who wanted to buy a jack-knife. When asked why he bothered with the lad, he replied, "I was anxious to give him a good bargain, knowing that if I sent him away well pleased he might deal with me for the rest of his life."