

“LIVE IT DOWN.”—If it is a false accusation that stings your sense of honour and justice, live it down. If your upright life is stigmatized with the appellation of righteous overmuch, walk humbly and softly the shadowed way. Soon your name will be gilded with light, all obscurity dissipated, and your character vindicated without a word dropping from your trembling lips. Yes! live it down, if your motives are impugned, and your life is made a kaleidoscope in the hands of men, varying in its form and colours, as each one turns it round and peers curiously in to detect some new appearance. If the friend who sat by your side when the storm cloud was riven and your quivering form shook beneath the shock, now gazes unmoved upon your conflict with life's stern realities, and he who walked confidently by your side now seeks some other path, or meets you in the busy haunts of life with rigid lip and pulseless heart, bear on. You will come forth from the shadow of distrust into the sunlight of unclouded peace. Yes! live it down! A silent, consistent life will speak when the slanderer's tongue is silent in death, and the “busybody” stands in awe before Him who said, “Judge not, that ye be not judged.”—*American Paper.*

Whatever errors temptation may betray a child into, so long as brave, open truth remains, there is something to depend on, there is anchor ground, there is substance at the centre. Men of the world feel so about one another. They can be tolerant and forbearing so long as their erring brother is true. It is a fundamental virtue. Ordinary commerce can hardly proceed a step without a good measure of it. If we cannot believe what others say, we cannot act upon it, and to an immense extent that is saying that we cannot work at all. Truth is a common interest. When we defend it, we defend the basis of social order. When we vindicate it, we vindicate our own foothold. When we plead for it, it is like pleading for the air of health we breathe. When we try to benefit a lying man it is like putting your foot into the mire.

INTELLECT.—People of small intellect are very dangerous enemies, because they are likely to have few extraneous thoughts to divert them from their immediate object of malice; because they are shrewd noticers of personalities, and personal weaknesses; because there is nothing which a fool and a mean man enjoys so much as to catch a wise and an honest one at a disadvantage.

RULES FOR HOME EDUCATION.

The following are worthy of being printed in letters of gold, and being placed in a conspicuous position in every household.

1. From your children's earliest infancy, inculcate the necessity of instant obedience.
2. Unite firmness with gentleness. Let your children always understand that you mean exactly what you say.
3. Never promise them anything unless you are sure you can give them what you promise.
4. If you tell a child to do anything, show him how to do it, and see that it is done.
5. Always punish your children for wilfully disobeying you, but never punish in anger.
6. Never let them perceive that they can vex you, or make you lose your self-command.
7. If they give way to petulance and temper, wait till they are calm, and then gently reason with them on the impropriety of their conduct.
8. Remember that a little punishment, when the occasion arises, is much more effectual than the threatening of a greater punishment should the fault be renewed.
9. Never give your children anything because they cry for it.
10. On no account allow them to do at one time what you have forbidden, under the same circumstances, at another.
11. Teach them that the only sure and easy way to appear good, is to be good.
12. Accustom them to make their little recitals the perfect truth.
13. Never allow of tale-bearing.
14. Teach them that self-denial, not self-indulgence, is the appointed and sure method of securing happiness.