

very vehemence is an annoyance. Now we may ask how a college senate can give a young man a regal conscience if the one he has can do nothing more or better than ride on the back of passion, irritate, harden into a horny case-ment or sputter before conviction. There are some things no college can do and give a man a regal conscience is one of them.

Bushnell's next qualification he calls a *large faith-talent*. The faith-talent is something different from faith and lies back of it. The man who possesses this talent in large measure has a soul that opens naturally broad, high wisdoms God-word and lets in generous supplies of light. Men without the faith-talent open only a little seam or chink and let in just light enough "to make them religious beings capable of salvations." Whether college professors can open a student's chink or not is a question we shall not dare to answer. If they can it is a good thing to do.

Now we come to what our author considers an indispensable talent. It is a talent easily recognized but hard to define. Bushnell calls it a man's *atmosphere*. Most natural substances he contends throw off emanations that represent their quality. Some create a pleasant aroma and some do the reverse. Some attract, others repel. By virtue of their existence nearly all objects in nature have an attracting or repelling power, whilst a few are utterly powerless to create an aroma.

This law Bushnell contends holds good among men. Some, though perhaps highly gifted and accomplished have no atmosphere. They are as negative in the matter of aroma as a stone. Others have an attractive atmosphere. They draw their fellow men around them without any effort. Call it magnetism or any other name you please they have a certain power which may be felt but not defined and which attracts human nature. A third class have a repulsive atmosphere. The moment you come into contact with them you feel their repelling power. You may not be able to explain the reason why, very often you are not but you instinctively give the man with the bad atmosphere a wide berth. He may not be a vicious man, he may not have any one thing about him that you can describe as repulsive, but you do not wish to come near him. The one thing you are certain of is that there is something about the man that repels.

The application is easy. The man with no atmosphere at all—the purely negative man,—can never be made a great preacher. His want of aroma will always make him weak. The man with the repulsive atmosphere can hardly be a preacher at all for his aroma drives people away. The only