

said: 'You are right now. I have only one word of advice to give you. Be careful who you walk the streets with.' That was lesson number three.'

"And what valuable lessons they were?"

Fidelity in all things; do your best to your employers; carefulness about your associates."

Let everybody take these lessons home and study them. They are foundation stones of character and honorable success.

AN AMUSING TRICK FOR THE DRAWING-ROOM.

You begin by declaring that if any one will write something on a piece of paper, you will undertake to say what there is upon it. Should any one take you, tell him, when he has written something on a piece of paper, to roll it up small and hold the paper straight up in his hand, and, after making him hold it up in a number of different ways, say, "Now place the paper on the ground in the middle of the room, and in order that I may not have the chance of lifting it up in the least, place both your feet upon it, I will then proceed to take up a candle, a stick, or any thing else you please, and inform you at once what is on the paper." After going through all sorts of manoeuvres, to mislead the spectators, and keep alive their curiosity, you finally turn to the gentleman who is standing with both feet on the paper—"I have undertaken to state what was on that piece of paper. You are upon it. With many a hearty laugh, you will be declared a champion.

NEVER be idle. Never gamble. Make few promises. Always speak the truth. Live up to your engagements. Drink no intoxicating liquors. Never speak lightly of religion. Be just before you are generous. Good character is above all things else. Never borrow if it is possible to avoid it. Never listen to idle and loose conversation. Keep yourself innocent if you would be happy. Make no haste to be rich if you would prosper. Ever live (misfortune excepted) within your income. Never run in debt unless you see a way to get out again. Save when you are young and spend when you are old.

When you speak to any person look him in the face. Good company and conversation are the very sinews of virtue. Your character cannot be essentially injured except by your own acts. When you retire to bed, think over what you have done during the day. Idleness is hunger's mother and of theft its full brother.

REVIEWS.

THE LIFE OF OUR LORD AND OF HIS BLESSED MOTHER.—Parts 7 and 8 of Father Brennan's translation of this admirable work have been received which brings it towards the end of the Old Testament. In calling attention to this work again, we would remind our readers that, as an additional proof of its merits, the publishers have received an order from England for 1,000 copies of the complete work. The translator, Father Brennan, has been complimented by a flattering expression of appreciation as a writer, by His Holiness Pope Leo XIII., who sends him, through Very Rev. Dr. Hostlot, Rector of the American College at Rome, the following message:—"His Holiness accepted your 'Life of Pius IX.,' with pleasure, and requested me to inform you, that he sends you his Apostolic Benediction for yourself and your works, and hopes that you will continue to do all you can in the noble undertaking of saving and enlightening souls."—Benziger Bros., Publishers, New York.

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