

or breathed a breath of any spirit but that of love. Many other men might be mentioned who by their writings have crystalized our language, purified our morals, added to the ever increasing store of knowledge, raised our conceptions of

spiritual life, left on record their own dauntless heroism in the battles of life; and have thus left us and all succeeding generations under lasting obligation to them.

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## "THE STUFF THAT MAKES YOUNG MANHOOD"

Rev. Charles H. Parkhurst, D. D., in his initial paper for young men, for The Ladies' Home Journal (in February issue), gives brilliant emphasis to his text, "The Stuff That Makes Young Manhood," by the frequent employment of forcible epigrams. He considers a proper "getting ready" as the greatest value in preparing for life's work, and upon this point flashes his strongest, brightest light in brilliant radiance.

Putting a buttercup to school will not graduate it a butterfly, even if it is a very good school. Its only wholesome ambition will be to be as good as it can be as a buttercup.

I have watched a good many brooding hens, but I never saw one facilitate the hatching process by pecking the shell. The chick on the inside will get out if he worth it.

More men are injured by having things made easy for them than by having their path beset with difficulties, for it encourages them to stay themselves on circumstances, whereas their supreme reliance needs to be on their own personal stuff.

Young men are constantly worrying lest they be failures and nonentities.

Every man will count for all he is worth.

There is as much a science of success as there is a science of hydraulics.

The less a young man talks about luck and untowardness of circumstances, and the coquettishness of popular favor, and the like, the better for him and for the world to which he owes himself. Every man will have all the power he earns,

and the power that he has will tell, not because people like it or like him, but because it is power.

Personal pressure can no more be hooted down, or voted down, or argued out of existence than can the push of the wind or the pull of the moon. If you weigh a ton you will exert a ton's pressure.

There is probably such a thing as genius, although ninety-nine hundredths of it is doubtless the name which lazy people give to results which others have earned by hard work in those hours when the lazy people themselves were either sleeping or wishing they could gain it without toiling for it.

There is faculty enough in almost anybody to become genius if only all that faculty were lumped.

We are more likely to find a good destiny by going afoot than by riding.

The world cares very little for experts, and the course of events is only infinitesimally determined by them.

The man whose entire capital is one of enthusiasm will be conspicuous for his abundance of torch, at the same time lacking the timber which the torch exists primarily to enkindle.

Sowing still antedates reaping, and the amount sowed determines pretty closely the size of the harvest.

Empty barns in October are the logical sequence of empty furrows in the spring. The young man may as well understand that there are no gratuities in this life, and that success is never reached "across lots."