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"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His justice: and all these things shall be added unto you."—St. Matt.

THE title of this essay will probably suggest the name of a learned professor, who endeavored to inculcate sound doctrine among his following, of a public man of outstanding ability, fearlessly fighting that just measures might prevail, or, perhaps, of a wealthy benefactor, who united to strict integrity in a successful business career, a willingness to distribute among the deserving poor, the goods his competency and energy accumulated. In reality it will tell of none of these, but of a greater,—of a greater, if an exemplary life, a desire to do the best in the cause of God, an heroic resolve which neither trials nor difficulties could intimidate, and deeds accomplished worthy of unceasing admiration, are the elements of true greatness. It will tell of one who in the obscurity of Ontario farm life did things no less deserving of attention than the achievements of philanthropists whose names are receiving the homage of all classes of society.