

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN. BRILLIANT ADDRESS TO YOUNG MEN.

We print below an address delivered to the graduates of St. Jerome's College, Berlin, Ont., by Mr. W. H. Riddle, on Wednesday June 19th. From this address may be derived many beautiful lessons by those who are possessed of ambition to work their way to the top in life's work.

Remember, my young friends, that whatever your hands or brains may find to do, do it with all your might. The world steps aside to make room for the earnest worker. A writer of modern verse assures us that

The man who wins is the man who does. The man who makes things hum and buzz. The man who works and the man who uses. Who builds on a basis of solid facts. Who doesn't sit down to mope and dream. But humps ahead with the force of steam. Who hasn't the time to fuss and fret. But gets there every time—you bet!

Nor should it be forgotten that every man and woman too for that matter, must work, for labor is the law of man's inheritance. Nor is the intellect exempt from the operation of this law; the education of heart and mind is never finished—it begins in the cradle and ends in the grave, and no one knows this better than the really educated and cultivated man.

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performed, wise and learned professors; and now that you have graduated, the time has come to bid farewell of old companions, to sever old associations and to step down and out into the busy world to take up in due course, each for yourself, that occupation, profession, or calling in life which your culture and tastes best qualify you to follow with expectations of ultimate success.

These are neighboring words though a little too flatteringly expressed, nevertheless I am sure I voice the sentiments of my fellow Canadians when I say that it is Canada's fond ambition to be the rival of the United States only in the arts of peace and in the race for prosperity.

As citizens of one or the other of two such nations, working out their destinies in friendly rivalry, you may, my friends, now enter upon the busy and inviting walks of life, in either country, full of confidence that there is a useful, perhaps a brilliant, future awaiting you provided you live up to the ideals I have with indifferent success, outlined for your benefit.

Great possibilities lie hidden within the brain of man or within the hollow of his hands, and the problem of his advancement in life is solved when he discovers and uses his talents to the full measure of his opportunities.

There are, however, other qualities, other virtues which are essential to a successful and honorable career besides those I have already mentioned and among them are sterling honesty, intrepid courage, uncompromising truthfulness, good citizenship, moral worth and a constant mutual charity.

year, said: "But above all, believe in ideals; pin your faith to them, they are the great incentives of life, and it is the privilege of youth to possess and nurture them."

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, one of the greatest statesmen of the present or in fact of any age, has his ideals. One of them is to make Canada a noble and puissant nation; and with the welfare of his fellow Canadians "deep on his front engraved," to minimize and, if possible, to eliminate altogether every trace of friction and prejudice among its people arising from differences of race and creed.

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ing, when he asked her to take a stroll, she turned up her little nose and said, with all the scorn she could summon: "I do not choose to walk with cowards." How do I know but that you may get frightened at some shadow and run off and leave me?"

Dick bit his lips to keep back the hot words that almost choked him, and instead of going to the woods, as he intended, he turned into the lane that led to the railroad. He soon came back, looking flushed and excited, but as he said nothing Gertrude was afraid he was still angry at the cutting words she had uttered.

A little later the spoiled child ran down the gravel walk to meet her parents, who had just come off the train. For once her father turned away from her caresses to clasp Dick to his heart, and she was sure his voice quivered when he said:

"You are a brave boy, Dick, and your name will be remembered in my prayers to night."

Then, with Dick's hand still in his, Mr. Frew told Gertrude and her mother how he had crept over the dangerous trestlework to warn the express, then due, that there was danger ahead, and how the train had come to a standstill just in time to prevent being derailed by an obstruction that some one had placed across the track.

"O papa," cried Gertrude, "I've been calling him a coward all day just because he would not disobey you, but I see now that he is the hero, while I am the coward. If I had done right I would have been with him when he saw the rock on the track, and I might have helped him to save your life."

"You see, my dear," said her father, "people must have both physical and moral courage if they wish to be heroes."—The Young Catholic Messenger.

WHEN YOU ASK FOR SURPRISE A PURE SOAP. HARD SOAP. INSIST ON RECEIVING IT.

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