

eminent men. he has also drawn freely from the *opinions* of those whose careers have made their opinions of substantial value. Precept and example are thus brought to the front, both as a means of entertainment and instruction. From the lives and opinions of several hundred prominent men, lessons and thoughts are gathered and woven into this volume for young men, in order to make the positions taken impregnable, as well as "to point the way." Among the examples adduced are Washington, John Adams, John Quincy Adams, Jefferson, Roger Sherman, Hamilton, Jay, Clay, Patrick Henry, Franklin, Bowditch, Eli Whitney, Benjamin West, Webster, Lincoln, Channing, Everett, Irving, Sumner, Wilson, Grant, Garfield, Prescott, Motley, Burritt, Amos Lawrence, Abbott Lawrence, Appleton, Brooks, Chickering, Safford, Horace Mann, Samuel Budgett, Dr. Arnold, Buxton, Wilberforce, Pitt, Burke, Peel, Brougham, Gladstone, Canning, Wesley, Hugh Miller, Nelson, Wellington, Lafayette, George Stephenson, Spurgeon, Chalmers, Bright, Thiers, Cobden, Burke, Alexander, Cæsar, Columbus, Luther, Newton, Arkwright, Ferguson, Watt, Pascal, Dr. Johnson, Scott, and many others we need not name.

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