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## TURNING SQUARE AROUND.

(Continued from July.)

"Tom," said Lawyer Lee, on the Saturday morning of that week," you have now devoted five days to your office duties and studies, and performed your part well. But the practice of law, as the word indicates, is a practical matter, and has much to do with the weak side of human nature. It is a melancholy fact, but our money is mostly derived from the weak or the villazious. Now, in order to fit the mind for the reception and retention of great principles and the underlying facts, the body must be cared for, as well as the mind, and to that end, relaxation from study and exercise are essential. I suggest, therefore, that you make it a steady relete levote each Saturday to mixing with the people, studying their peculiarities, their idiosyncrasies, and becoming acquainted with their separate and several lines of thought. You have been reared here from birth, and know by sight nearly every man in the county. Go and mingle with men from the town and country. Regard each man you meet as a possible client, and you will find that you will become readily interested, in what most interests him; the mechanic in his work, the farmer in his flocks and

herds, his wheat and corn. Go among them as you are to-day, sober, intelligent, and make them your study. The Almighty writes men's lives on their faces; and he who can learn to read these biographies best has a vantage ground that will be of incalculable use to him in the profession you have chosen. Study men and their surroundings one day in the week. Have you any money?"

"Eighty cents, sir," replied Tom. "Well, here are a few dollars. A man always feels more independent with money in his pocket, even if he has no immediate use for it. It carries with it a consciousness of power. The poor preacher who borrowed twenty dollars to carry in his pocket while he preached a sermon, understood the wants of his own being."

And with these droppings of worldly wisdom sounding in his ears; Tom Stapleford went forth to mingle with his fellow men. Generally acquainted, as already intimated, his reform had been widely known, and was a source of rejoicing among those who had known his father and mother. The village papers had also mentioned the fact that Thomas Stapleford, Esq., had been offered and had