

"Well, that's different; you're grown up."

"Then, you really think that politeness and courtesy are not needed among boys?"

Hal, thus pressed, said he didn't exactly mean that; but his father, who had listened, now spoke: "A boy or a man who measures his treatment of others by their treatment of him has no character of his own. He will never be kind or generous or Christian. If he is ever to be a gentleman, he will be so in spite of the boorishness of others. If he is to be noble, no other boy's meanness will change his nature." And very earnestly the father added: "Remember this, my boy. You lower your own self every time you are guilty of an unworthy action because some one else is. Be true to your best self and no boy can drag you down."—Well-spring.



**DON'T SKIP.**

We all like to get done. How nice it is to see the thing when it is finished. In the process of the making or doing we can't wait until we see how it is going to look or have the satisfaction that we are done. In our eagerness we skip. Skip has a broad meaning here. If in your making or doing there is a careless thread or an imperfect stitch, you have skipped. That is, you haven't done everything that ought to be done in preparation for the finished product.

The great pianist, Thalberg, would never play a piece in public until he had practised it fifteen hundred times. "You charge me fifty sequins for a bust that took you ten days to chisel," a Venetian nobleman said to a sculptor. But the artist replied, "You forgot that it took me thirty years to learn how to make that bust in ten days."

In these examples we can find the secret of failure. In skipping the tedium of training, when we come to our opportunity, we are passed by because we aren't ready. Some one else has laboured, and waited, and longed and he is the person for the place, because he has possessed his soul in patience and met every step with his best study and work and fervent enthusiasm. It isn't the brilliant, meteoric career that tells. Every meteor dies out suddenly. It is the solidly constructed mind and character that wins every time. If you are prepared, if you have served an honest, devoted apprenticeship, you will yet reach the top. Don't be in a hurry if success seems slow in coming. Napoleon worked and studied seven years before any promotion came, though he had hoped for it long before.

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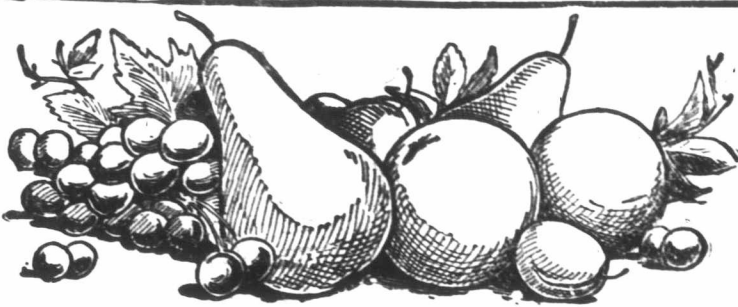
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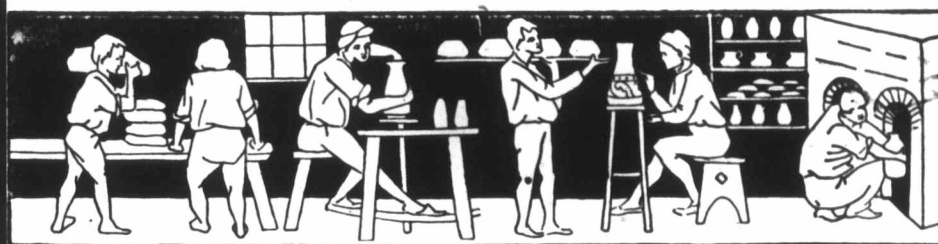
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**HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.**

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**ENTRY.**

Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land to be taken is situate, or if the homesteader desires, he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the local agent for the district in which the land is situate, receive authority for some one to make entry for him. A fee of \$10.00 is charged for a homestead entry.

**HOMESTEAD DUTIES.**

A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required by the provisions of the Dominion Lands Act and the amendments thereto to perform the conditions connected therewith, under one of the following plans:—

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If a settler was entitled to and has obtained entry for a second homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by residence upon the first homestead, if the second homestead is in the vicinity of the first homestead.

(4) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

The term "vicinity" used above is meant to indicate the same town, township or an adjoining or cornering township.

A settler who avails himself of the provisions of Clauses (2), (3) or (4) must cultivate 30 acres of his homestead, or substitute 20 head of stock, with buildings for their accommodation, and have besides 80 acres substantially fenced.

The privilege of a second entry is restricted by law to those settlers only who completed the duties upon their first homesteads to entitle them to patent on or before the 2nd June, 1880.

Every homesteader who fails to comply with the requirements of the homestead law is liable to have his entry cancelled, and the land may be again thrown open for entry.

**APPLICATION FOR PATENT**

should be made at the end of three years, before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent, or the Homestead Inspector. Before making application for patent, the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands, at Ottawa, of his intention to do so.

**INFORMATION.**

Newly arrived immigrants will receive at the Immigration Office in Winnipeg or at any Dominion Lands Office in Manitoba or the North-West Territories, information as to the lands that are open for entry, and from the officers in charge, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing land to suit them. Full information respecting the land, timber, coal and mineral laws, as well as respecting Dominion Lands in the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be obtained upon application to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, Manitoba, or to any of the Dominion Land Agents in Manitoba or the North-West Territories.

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