

If he has money, Yes. I believe a youth worth four or five thousand dollars may wisely spend a tenth of his means in attending lectures, and even courses of study, at any good seminary where Natural Science is taught and applied to Agriculture. But life is short at best; and he who has no means, or very little, cannot afford to attend even an Agricultural College. He can acquire so much of Science as is indispensable in the cheaper way I have indicated. He cannot wisely consent to spend the best years of his life in getting ready to live.

He who has already mastered the art of farming, and has adequate means, may of course buy a farm to-morrow, though he be barely or not quite of age. He has little to learn from me. Yet I think even such have often concluded, in after years, that they were too hasty in buying land—that they might profitably have waited, and deliberated, and garnered the treasures of experi-

ence, before they took the grave step of buying their future home; with regard to which I shall make some suggestions in my next chapter.

But I protest against a young man's declining or postponing the purchase of a farm merely because he is not able to buy a great one. Twenty acres of arable soil near a city or manufacturing village, forty acres in a rural district of any old State, or eighty acres in a region just beginning to be peopled by white men, is an ample area for any one who is worth less than \$2,000. If he understands his business, he will find profitable employment hereon for every working hour; if he does not understand farming, he will buy his experience dear enough on this, yet more cheaply than he would on a wider area. Until he shall have more money than he needs, let him beware of buying more land than he absolutely wants.

## Notices.



Our picture this month is engraved from a photograph of a New York news-boy. The little chap goes by the name of "Nibsey," and was a proud and happy boy when selected from the motley throng of energetic little news-vendors to have his picture taken. He is represented as standing in the neighborhood of City Hall Park, a place which, from the number of lines of street cars which pass that way, is perhaps the best in New York for selling papers.

This number of the *NEW DOMINION MONTHLY* contains a fine original piece of music, entitled "The Sea is England's Glory." It is a national song, and is arranged for four voices.

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