

take its final bent towards evil or towards good, not from the information you imbibe, but from the habits of mind, thought and life that you shall acquire during your academic career. Could you, with the bodily eye, watch the moments of it as they fly, you would see them all pass by you, as the bee that has rifled the heather bears its honey through the air, charged with the promise, or it may be with the menace, of the future. In many things it is wise to believe before experience; to believe until you may know; and believe me when I tell you that the <sup>lost</sup> of time will repay you in after life with an usury of profit beyond your most sanguine dreams, and that the waste of it will make you dwindle, alike, in intellectual and in moral stature, beneath your darkest reckonings."