

Don't talk too much. Never gossip. Never boast. Don't be solemnly professional, mechanically and externally pious. Don't reel off conventional phrases of religion or orthodoxy. In the other extreme, don't be a buffoon. Mortify your sense of humor. Never tell questionable stories. Never make broad jokes.

How horrible, if your excellent addresses were utterly discounted in the minds of those who have met you in familiar intercourse, because of the emptiness and fatuity of your talk!

Let your relation to the ladies, whom you may meet, be such as becomes a servant of Christ. Let your bearing toward them be gentle and chivalrous. Shun over-familiarity. Be discreet, even reserved. Be pure in thought and feeling. Confine your personal work to young men. With respect to girls and young women, call in the assistance of women workers. Your intercourse will mainly be with young men. With them, be a man among men, interested in all that interests them. But let your aim, viz., the winning of men for Christ, dominate, consciously or sub-consciously, all your relations to them. Don't scare them, by coming at them with abrupt questions. But don't let them go till you have raised the greatest issues, and confronted them with their own need, and their individual duty.

Make this your resolve on beginning the Mission, that no young man, whom you can reach, will pass from your influence, without being led