

more." *Neatness* and *cleanliness*, without foppishness or pedantry, and a due regard to *aesthetic* cultivation, will do much to produce a general regard for decency of personal appearance, and foster that love of the beautiful which is one of the most important elements in our civilization, and is, indeed, one of our closest links of connection with the spirit world. *Thoroughness* and *accuracy* are doubtless capable of producing and perpetuating those habits of close attention, and constant thoughtfulness, so necessary in preventing distressing accidents to life and property, and saving mankind from immense trouble and inconvenience. *Charity*, *virtuous principles* and true *generosity* of soul, will not only elevate his own school, but will, through them, go forth on their mission of peace and love, ameliorating the condition of our race, purifying their affections, binding them in cordial fraternity, and by the aid of heavenly grace leading them to that land of bliss where all high and noble sentiments will have full and legitimate sway for ever and ever!

Let no teacher imagine that because these results are not always seen immediately, they are therefore unreal, and merely hypothetical. The forces which pervade the regions of space often lie latent for long years before they become sensible and operative; and it is equally true of moral influence that it may slumber long before it bears its legitimate fruit. Yet that fruit will surely come sooner or later. "Life Force" never can be destroyed. The fires of passion you have helped to kindle in the breast of that impetuous boy, restrained by other influences for a time, may break out in all their fury in advanced manhood, or even in old age. The noble principles you have engrafted on the mind of another, long clouded by evil habits and associations, may bring forth their fruit of goodness and

truth, years after you have mouldered to dust. And thus the great chain of moral and mental influence goes onward, ever onward, continually presenting new phases, and producing new developments, while each individual is responsible, in direct proportion to the amount of his own "Life Force," for the aggregate good or evil of the world.

The honest, conscientious teacher may well ask in view of his position and responsibility, "Who is sufficient for these things?" But while it is well that he should be deeply impressed with a sense of the weighty and momentous nature of his duties, he should remember that an honest, faithful, earnest cultivation and application of the "Life Force" God has given him is all that is required to be "sufficient for these things." It has been truly observed that "every man has an undiscovered continent in his own bosom;" and while it is impossible to estimate all the far reaching consequences of the "Life Force" we are now exerting, it is equally impossible to tell to what extent that "Life Force" may be developed and strengthened. Teacher! go on then, prayerfully, laboriously, in your self sacrificing duties; and though your pecuniary compensation may be small; though earthly honors may not cluster round your head; though you may not see the fruit of your labors in full in your own life-time; you will have your reward in the ever extending, ever spreading consequences of the good influence you are now exerting, proceeding unchecked, undiminished, diffusing blessings and benefits, through the unending ages of the future. Such a prospect affords abundant encouragement, and cheers with the promise of a rich harvest of good results from the "Life Force" you now put forth through wise instruction and virtuous example.