PREFATORY NOTE.

NE of the most potent influences in the lives of most of us is that of example. If this be a strong, healthy, inspiring personality we cannot come in touch with it, even in a small measure, without being uplifted, stimulated, and guided by it. This is especially true in youth and early manhood and womanhood. How important it is, therefore, that our mental associates should be selected with the same care as our actual ones!

The following careers have been selected because of their preëminence in various spheres of life. Each has its lesson both in the formation of character and in the attainment of success. Each is worthy of study and emulation; and it is hoped that the examples of these active leaders in Canadian and American life may continue to exert a wholesome influence on the coming generation.

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