

it was battered to powder; in ten months a breach was made wide enough for the enemy to enter and capture the castle. That is how a boy's heart is most often taken. If I had any advice to offer anybody I should say, beware of the slow sins—the old recurring temptation which is powerful not so much in which it is or in what it does *once*, but in the awful patience of its continuance. It is by the ceaseless battery of a commonplace temptation that the moral nature is undermined and the citadel of great souls won."

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