

manifest a sympathy and love that turned to their profit. There was in all this, however, a reflex influence that taught him many lessons. He apparently lost no opportunity to learn something from all his surroundings. Stubborn boys, rude men, plain spoken, or politic and wary people, were so many books out of which he read lessons of the greatest value.

His varied experiences had doubtless taught him, among others, the lesson of self-control. He never allowed himself to be provoked into speaking an angry word. He was calm and self-contained. He himself often said it was not always so, but he had long done what he again and again advised the boys to do, he had taken hold of himself. Hence he had himself well in hand and was in the best position to teach others that wholesome lesson. His conduct in the class-room or on the platform was characterized by a noble self-restraint, an unerring truthfulness of good judgment that could always be relied on,—this along with great modesty. He often spoke in a sincere tone of himself very depreciatingly. He thought others were better fitted for his position than he was himself. Yet, withal, there was usually a quiet determination to attain his purposes.

Many will long tenderly cherish the memory of our dear brother. His simplicity, unselfishness, frankness and kindness, will, we trust, be an inspiration to those that remain. How faithful and conscientious was he to the interests intrusted to him!

“For can I doubt, who knew the keen
In intellect, with force and skill
To strive, to fashion, to fulfil—
I doubt not what thou wouldst have been.”

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