

are too obvious to mention. Many other remediable evils might be pointed out ; which might be entirely kept out of a young community of adventurers. In the choice of amusements much may be done to prevent vicious habits : to the young and the gay I would recommend such amusements as are calculated to exercise the whole frame, and cause a disposition to rest ; others would be capable of choosing for themselves. Man is the creature of motives ; and as he always obeys the most powerful motive, I would frequently appeal more by actions than by words, to the leading and master passions of the Indian's character. That is, after obtaining his confidence and friendship, which is never hard for a good man to do, I would let them see the preferences of my plan, by directing their attention to the great results of virtuous improvement.

The present juncture is more favourable than former times on another account. Not until within a very few years, have the brave Indians believed that all the powers on earth combined could conquer them. The brave and gallant Tecumpsch was of that opinion : his fall has damped the ardour, and crushed the hopes of many ; and now, the wise and experienced are conscious they must either become tenants of the soil, or be soon lost in the sea of forgetfulness ! No idea is more affecting to the brave Indian warrior, than that his very tribe and nation shall perish from the face of the earth : the love he bears to his tribe, to his aged parents, his wife and little ones, has caused him to traverse the trackless forest for days without food ; to risk his life in battle ;

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