

whistling to his feet and called to Blots to follow. You would have thought he had just received joyful news of great importance.

I have not mentioned that on one side of the square was situated a Convent school, to which went many little girls. As my gaze wandered from Roogan to the Convent beyond I saw a row of girlish heads peeping above the fence.

The face of Roogan's divinity was amongst them.

The Ambitious Man.

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OF all animate nature man alone is the creature of self-interest and ambition. His nature leads him forth into the bustle and struggle of the world to seek for fame, for fortune, for place in the world's thought, and for dominion over his fellows. His glory is to raise great and magnificent edifices, and he finds a secret pleasure in seeing his own planting grow up and flourish. This is laudable, but the means employed are not always commendable.

The persevering, industrious, energetic youth, who through hardships and discouragement is pursuing a course of rectitude, whose eye is bent upwards, whose motto is "Excelsior," who, though the earth quake and the heavens gather blackness, is true to his course and himself and scorns to be false to others, will gain friends, and victory will be his. If his life's calling is a proper one, and his motives pure and unselfish, then he should think for it, plan for it, work for it, live for it. But he should learn to labor and to wait, for brains grow by use as well as hands. Eminent position is the result of hard, unwearied labor and is not secured at one dash. One does not dream himself into position nor attain to greatness by inspiration. One does not go to bed a beggar or a dunce and rise up a Rothschild or a Solomon.

Fame, like money, we should neither despise nor idolize. Honest fame gained by worth, merit and industry, deservedly