

of selfish ambition. They are throned on truth ; their fortress is wisdom, and their dominion the world. We have seen that the greatness of the man whose death we lament this evening was founded upon goodness. Amid the storm of human passion and the fierceness of party strife, he remained calm in demeanor, yet resolute in purpose, presenting a front which no violence could daunt, and a moral ascendancy which no corruption could withstand. He rose eagle-like above the rage of men, and soared to undying fame ; a man, who dared to be a man, dared to speak the truth, assert the majesty of conscience, and write his name on the imperishable tablets of eternity.

Young men have you an ambition to be great ; is it your purpose to take a place amid the activities of professional or political life ? Remember that a good cause needs no vicious, or even doubtful aid. Live so as to be able to look every man in the eye ; do nothing you dare not defend before God and man. Keep your conscience clear, and your conduct right, and see to it that no motive that you would be ashamed to mention is introduced into your proceedings. Be not ashamed of the religion of your fathers and mothers. Shun all places of evil resort, all forms of dissipation, keep a sound mind in a sound body if you can. Do not do evil that good may come. Use no doubtful language in dealing with wickedness. Cultivate goodness, not because it is profitable, but because it is right. Then, though your advance may be slow, it will be sure, and will be followed by no fall, and you will be able to look upon the past with grateful complacency, and upon the future with courage and hope.

In the life of James A. Garfield we see the dignity and value of honest labor. He had genius, but it consisted in an immense capacity for work. His was a life of unwearied application ; labor of the hands, and heart and head. He did

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