

HONESTY AND TRUTHFUL-
NESS.

A little ragged newsboy once stood on the platform of a railway station with his bundle of papers just purchased. He had to earn a supper before he could get one, and to make money enough to pay for a bed before he could hope to sleep in one. He had to sell the bundle of papers before he could do this.

Suddenly, up came a gentleman who wanted an evening paper. But he had no coin less than a half-sovereign. So taking it out, he showed it to the boy. He offered to get change if the gentleman would trust him; and receiving permission, handed over his bundle of papers as security.

Of course they were practically worth nothing to the gentleman, who could do nothing with them beyond reading one or two copies. A number of bystanders laughed at him, assuring him that he had seen the last of his money. But he relied on the boy's honesty, and said so. After waiting some time, and wondering, perhaps, if his trust indeed had been misplaced, he was gratified at seeing the lad return, with a beaming countenance, holding out the change. "I am glad you are come, my lad," said the gentleman, as he took the change and counted it over. "Now tell me, why didn't you run away, as some of my friends supposed you would, and pocket the change, instead of bringing it back?"

Now, boys, mark his answer! "Because, sir, God would have known it, if I had been dishonest, if nobody else did; and besides, you trusted me."

Brave boy! And yet he was shoeless and homeless, an orphan child. All the teaching he had received about God had come from the teacher at a small evening Ragged School, where he dropped in whenever he could dispose of his papers soon enough. It is not to be wondered at that the gentleman took the newsboy into his office, and gave him a good situation, in time, which was the cause of his life-long prosperity. "Honesty is a jewel," and the gentleman showed how he prized it when he found it.

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