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The Value of Friends.

"What is the secret of your life?" asked Elizabeth Barrett Browning of Charles Kingsley. "Tell me that I may make mine beautiful, too." "I had a friend," was the reply. This is the secret of many a great and successful life, says O. S. Marden in September Success. Many a man would have lain down disheartened, long before he reached his goal, but for the stimulus and encouragement of some friend whose name the world has never heard. Hundreds who are lauded in the press and honored all over the world for their achievements owe their success largely to the encouragement of wives, mothers, sisters, or other special friends.

The average man little realizes how great a part even of his material success he owes to his friends. He takes to himself the entire credit of every achievement, boasting of his own marvelous insight, judgment, and hard work. However, if we should take out of our lives everything contributed, directly or indirectly, by friends: if we should eliminate the inspiration and the free advertising they have given us: and if we should deduct from our popularity the percentage due to their good words, and give up situations they helped us to gain, the majority of us would find a great shrinkage in what we thought our own achievement.

However, the service that friends render in advancing our material interests is the lowest standpoint from which frendship can be viewed. To choose our friends with an eye to their commercial value to us would be to preclaim ourselves unworthy of the friendship of any noble soul, and indeed incapable of winning any friendship worthy of the name.

It is in relation to their effect on character that friends must be estimated at their real value. Dr. Hillis says that "destiny is determined by friendship; fortune is made or marred when a youth neglects his companions."

Character is tinted by the friends to which we attach ourselves. We borrow their color, whether it be black or white. We absorb their qualities, whether they be noble or ignoble. "Men become false," says Charles Kingsley, "if they live with liars; cynics, if they live with scorners; mean, if they live with the covetous; affected if they live with the affected; and actually catch the expressions of each other's faces." Beecher said he was never quite the same man again after he had read Ruskin's works. No one is quite the same again who has been touched by a noble friendship, and has felt the expression of a lofty mind, stirring the divinity within him and giving him a glimpse of his real self.

Some people act as a tonic or an invigorating and refreshing breeze. They make us feel like new beings. Under the inspiration of their presence, we can say and do things which it would be impossible for us to say and do under different conditions. One stimulates my thought, quickens my faculties, sharpens my intellect, opens the flood gates of language and sentiment and awakens the poetic within me, while another dampens my enthusiam, closes the door of expansion, and chills me to the very center of my being. There emanates from him an atmosphere which paralyzes thought, dwarfs expression.

"Our chief want in life," says Emerson, "is somebody who shall make us do what we can. This is the service of a friend. With him we are easily great. There is a sublime attraction in him to whatever virtue there is in us. How he flings wide open the door of existence! What questions we ask of him! What an understanding we have! How few words are needed! It is the only real society. A real friend doubles my possibilities, adds his strength to mine, and makes a well-nigh irresistable force possible to me."

The example or encouragement of a friend has proved the turning point in many a life. How many dull boys and girls have been saved from failure and unhappiness by discerning teachers or friends who saw in them possibilities that no one else could see, and of which they were themselves unconscious! Those who appreciate us, who help to build up instead of destroying our self-confidence, double our power of accomplishment. In their presence we feel strong and equal to almost any task that may confront us.

Friendship is no one-sided affair, but an exchange of soul qualities. There can be no friendship without reciprocity. One can not receive all and give nothing, and expect to experience the joy and fullness of true companionship.

Those who would make friends must culitivate the qualities which are admired and which attract. If you are mean, stingy, and selfish, nobody will admire you. You must cultivate generosity and large-heartedness; you must be magnanious, and tolerant; you must have positive qualities: for a negative, shrinking, apologizing, roundabout man is despised. You must cultivate courage and boldness: for a coward has few friends. You must believe in yourself. If you do not, others will not believe in you. You must look upward, and be hopeful, cheery, and optimistic. No one will be attracted to a gloomy pessimist.

The moment a man feels that you have a real live interest in his welfare, and that you do not ask about his business, profession, book, or article merely out of courtesy, you will get his attention, and will interest him. You will tie him to you just in proportion to the intensity and unselfishness of your interest in him. But if you are selfish, and think of nothing but your own advancement; if you are wondering how you can use everybody to help you along; if you look upon every woman you are introduced to as so much more possible success-capital; if you measure people by the amount of business they can send you, or the number of clients, patients, or readers of your book they can secure for you, they will look upon you in the same way.

If you have friends, don't be afraid to express you friendship: don't be afraid to tell them that you admire or love them. If you love anybody, why not say so? If you enjoy any one's company, why not say so? It costs you nothing, it may seem everything to your friend, and to your friendship.

A lady was asked how she managed to get along so well with disagreeable people. "It is very simple," she replied "all I do is to try to make the most of their good qualitiesand pay no attention to their disagreeable ones." No better formula by which to win and hold friends can be found.

A man should start out in life with the determination to never sacrifice his friendships. He must keep them alive or sacrifice a part of his manhood and a part of his success. There must be a live wire kept continually between him and them. "Those friends thou hast, and their adoption tried, grapple them to thy soul with hooks of steel;" and, as old friends are removed by death or other causes, do not fail to replace them. You cannot afford to narrow the circle of your friends, for the measure of your success and happiness and your usefulness will be largely proportioned to the number and quality of your friends.

McCumber Stands by Grigsby.

Senator McCumber of North Dakota is a champion of Col. Grigsby against the vile combinations which have assailed him in Alaska, and Senator McCumber has inside knowledge of the situation because he was up in that country last summer, and made a personal study of the fighting factions that are carrying on a war of extermination against each other for the purpose of controlling the golden plunder that might result from a cleaning out of the other fellows. Senator McCumber, whom we knew well in territorial days, is a man who never deserts a friend and he is a born fighter with enough Scotch blood in his makeup to give him the staying qualities that has won for him the esteem of the people of the north state.

After Col. Grigsby and the writer closed a pleasant interview with President Roosevelt at Sioux Falls early in the year, we returned to Col. Grigsby's office where, for an hour or more, he gave us a brief history of the factions which are trying to rule or ruin all who refuse to do their bidding or become allies in the mighty game of confiscation or robbery. Col. Grigsby, being United States Attorney, is a man whose influence and assistance all the factions want, and his refusal to take any part in any of the unholy combinations has brought down upon his head the vindictive wrath of the leaders on both sides, who are now determined to get him removed and take chances in the shakeup to secure a man they can use.

The old time Dakotans who are familiar with the early territorial struggles in Yankton can picture out the Alaska conditions without any trouble.

It was a combination of unscrupulous conspirators with the aid of perjury and a San Francisco court that forced Alex McKinzie to the wall and they had him pinioned by organized perjury before he had a chance to defend himself. He was only a private citizen and a victim of scoundrels among strangers. When his case was looked into at Washington it didn't take President McKinley long to free McKinzie and discredid the court that had ordered his arrest and confinment

Col. Grigsby is a United States officer and an appointee of President Roosevelt, and we feel perfectly safe in the belief that the president will stand by his representative when he hears the story of the plot from Senator McCumber, who has been to Alaska and is familiar with the rule or ruin policy of the factions.

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