

## CULTIVATE CHEERFULNESS.

### Do Not Allow Your Disposition to Sour—Face the Sunlight.

No matter how disagreeable your work, or how much trouble you may have this year, resolve that, whatever comes to you or does not come to you, you will keep sweet, that you will not allow your disposition to sour, that you will face the sunlight no matter how deep the shadows.

The determination to be cheerful will discourage multitudes of little troubles that would otherwise harrass you.

If you cannot get rid of a trouble, do as the oyster does with the grain of sand that gets into the shell and irritates it. Cover it with pearl. Do as you would with an ugly rock or stump on your grounds. Cover it with ivy or roses, or something else which will beautify it. Make the best of it.

You can make poetry out of the prosiest life, and bring sunshine into the darkest home; you can develop beauty and grace amid the ugliest surrounding. It is not circumstances, so much as altitude of mind, that gives happiness.

"Nothing can disturb his good nature," said a man of one of his employees, "that is why I like him. It does not matter how much I scold him or find fault with him, he is always sunny. He never lays up anything against me, never resents anything."

That is recommendation enough for anybody. No wonder this man did not want to part with such an employee.

Who can estimate the value of a nature so sunny that it attracts everybody, repels nobody? Everybody wants to get near sunny people; everybody likes to know them. They open, without effort, doors which morose natures are obliged to pry open with great difficulty, or perhaps can not open at all.

I know an old man who has had a great deal of trouble and many losses and misfortunes; but he started out in life with a firm determination to extract just as much real enjoyment from it, as he went along, as possible—not in dissipation, but in wholesome recreation and fun. He has always tried to see the humorous side of things, the bright side, and the duty of happiness.

The result is, that, although this man has had more than his share of sorrow in his career, he has developed the inestimable faculty of making the best of every situation, and of always facing the sun and turning his back to the shadows. This life habit of cheerfulness and optimism has brought out a sweetness of character, and a poise and serenity of mind which are the envy of all who know him. Although he has lost his property and the most of his family and relatives, yet he radiates sunshine and helpfulness wherever he goes.

A man who can laugh outside when he is crying inside, who can smile when he feels badly, has a great accomplishment. We all love the one who believes the sun shines when he cannot see it.

A potted rose in a window will turn its face away from the darkness toward the light. Turn it as often as you will, it always turns away from the darkness and lifts its face up toward the sun.

So we, instinctively, shrink from cold, melancholy, inky natures and turn our face toward the

bright, the cheerful, and the sunny. There is more virtue in one sunbeam than in a whole atmosphere of cloud and gloom.

As the Gulf Stream leaves a warm, soft climate in its wake as it flows through the colder waters of the ocean on its way from the Gulf to the North Pole, so a happy, joyous, sunny nature leaves a warm trail of sunshine wherever it goes through the cold, practical, selfish world.

Lydia Maria Child used to say: "I think cheerfulness in every possible way. I read only chipper books, and hang prisms in my window to fill the room with rainbows." This is the right kind of philosophy—the philosophy of good cheer, the greatest medicine for the mind, the best tonic for the body, and the greatest health food known.

Your ability to carry your own sunshine with you, your own lubricant, your own light, so that, no matter how heavy the load or dark the way, you will be equal to the emergency, will measure your ability to continue and to achieve.—Success Magazine.

## DEATHS OF 1906

### Many Great Men Went to Their Rewards.

The year of 1906 has come and gone and during that twelve months death has reaped a rich harvest. Many men great in their callings, near and far in this country and abroad have passed into the dim beyond since this time last year. One year ago these men were foremost on the stage of life, but now are called forever behind the scenes.

Of world-wide fame, there are 325 men and women, near-

ly one a-day, whose names appear on the list of dead for 1906.

Loss has come to every walk in life and every field of endeavor has been left poorer. But such is life. Each departing year sees its losses and gains and the world and time goes on.

Of the great among great who are no longer on the roster of the living are, Henrik Ibsen, the great dramatist, Richard Jolen Seddon who has personified New Zealand, making that colony the typical experimental democracy, Christian IX of Denmark, an honest king and most successful parent of modern times, Susan B. Anthony, philanthropist and reformer, Marshall Field, the merchant prince, Adelaide Ristori, the famous Italian tragic actress, Russel Sage of financial fame, Alfred Beet, the greatest business man in the world and Richard Garnet the accomplished literary figure of the times.

The list of the great dead include many others of less fame but who a loss to the world. Some of them are here given.

Nobility and Royalty; Mrs. Jefferson Davis, Lady Curzon, Prince Albrecht of Prussia, Princess Louise of Denmark.

Men of affairs; James A. Bailey circus magnet, William Cunard, ship owner, John B. Stetson, hat manufacturer, D. B. Wesson firearms.

Education; President Harper of Chicago University, W. B. Dwight Vassar, J. M. Pierce, Harvard Geo. B. Stevens, Yale.

Literature; R. N. Stephens, Mrs. "Nora Harper", Virginia Cox.

The stage; Lewis Morrison, Joseph Arthur, George Clark,

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Coming near home we note the deaths of several men prominent in our state affairs, Col. Leroy F. Youns, Solicitor J. M. Johnson, also may be added Franklin Moses "carpet bag" governor of the state.

France has determined not to increase the import duty on cotton seed oil because she expects to sell the oil back to Americans at a big profit pure French olive oil.

A Little Knowledge.  
A recent school examination in England elicited the following definitions:

"Noah's wife," wrote one boy, "was called Joan of Arc." "Water," wrote another, "is composed of two gases, oxygen and cambria." "Lava," replied the third youth, "is what the barber puts on your face." "A blizzard," insisted another child, "is the inside of a fowl."—Harper's Weekly.

His Ojection.  
De Style—How would you like to be a Mormon and have ten wives?  
Gumbusta—Wouldn't like it; think of getting ten pairs of suspenders for Christmas.

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