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The Making of a Miner

PROF. H. C. CORNWELL, not long ago, told the story of a miner and what had blighted his life. He well illustrates the great truth of the danger of allowing evil influences to gain possession of us, which after while become overpowering and shut us out from life's enjoyment. There was a miner in the city of New York who died in great poverty, and they thought of starvation, though there was doubt as to that. He was found lying in a room with only two chairs, one table, and a little stove, and with only one bottle with which to do all his cooking. The time was when that miner, who was worth more than two hundred thousand dollars at the time of his death, was a very gay, young, open-hearted youth, in a town of Connecticut. He was especially loved by his countrymen. When he went to school as a boy, he took pride with him for the teacher and for his friends. He was born of parents who were open-hearted, sympathetic people, and during his early days in college, he was known as a helper to his friends, always ready to divide with his chummate, always ready to go out and assist the sick, even to sit up at night, ready at any expense, even to extravagance in his open-heartedness to his help friends.

But there came across his path an intimate friend who deceived him, and again and again took from him money under false pretenses. He feigned sickness, and sent for money, which his friend always forwarded to him. He pretended to be in financial trouble and sent for money which he always received. Then he pretended to be in danger of arrest and sent for a large sum, which was also sent to him. Then this garrulous man found that it was all hypocritical deceit, that he had been for months and years the victim of that hypocrisy, and had been wasting his money upon a young man and his friends, whom he had supposed to be above reproach. It soured in his heart, it burned his life. He began to look upon that dark side of things, and saw that people are often deceived, that the hand of kindness is often struck. He saw how many, many cases there were in daily life of mutual children, ungrateful parents, and ungrateful friends. Everything he looked at took that hue, until at last he drew in, drew in, and in, until in one room in New York, although worth two hundred thousand dollars, he died alone, unwept, unmemored and even missing. His hands had been hot, had been struck so truly, when he had ventured out for something beautiful, that he kept drawing back further and further until he died a man hating recluse.

What State Names Mean.

"What's in a name?" asks the poet. Yet many names are full of meaning, and contain historical associations well worth remembering. For example, see what is to be found in the names of the states.

Main takes its name from the province of Maine, in France, and was so called as a compliment to Henrietta, the queen of Charles I., who was its owner.

New Hampshire took its name from Hampshire, England. New Hampshire was originally called Lancashire.

Vermont is French (vert mount), signifying "green mountain."

Massachusetts is an Indian word, signifying "country about the great hills."

Rhode Island gets its name because of its fancied resemblance to the island of Rhodes, in the Mediterranean Sea.

The real name of Connecticut is "Quonochontaug." It is a Mohican word, signifying "long river."

New York was so named as a compliment to the Duke of York, whose brother, Charles II., granted him that territory.

Although the value of the late Marquis de Bute's property exceeded \$25,000,000, the amount on which inheritance duty could be levied was only \$4,000,000. The tax was \$380,000.

Delaware derives its name from Thomas West, Lord de la Warr.

Maryland was named in honor of Henrietta Maria, queen of Charles I.

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All English.

There are almost 120,000 free masons registered under the great lodge of England. They belong to 2,300 lodges.

The average weight of an English boy of ten is 67 pounds; of a man of thirty, 150 pounds; of a man of sixty, 165 pounds.

England has joint stock banks, with 3,170 branches; Scotland, ten with 1,010 branches; Ireland nine, with 513 branches.

Norwegian shipping comes first of foreign nations in British ports. She clears 8,000,000 tons a year, against 4,000,000 from Germany.

Two tons of beet are equal in feeding value to four tons of hay, but its cultivation has proved too expensive to be profitable to English farmers.

"Now, Katie," she said, taking her little daughter on her lap, "I want you to write down a few of those things that trouble you. One thousand will do."

"O mamma, you're laughing at me now," said Katie, "but I can think of at least ten right this minute."

"Very well," said mamma; "put down ten." So Katie wrote:

"It's gone and ruined so we can't play croquet."

"Minnie is gone away, so I'll have to sit with that horrid Jean Bascom on Monday."

How to encourage and keep the boys on the farm? Take them off of it occasionally for recreation and sight seeing, where such opportunities as the next annual State Fair will afford.

Here Katie bit her pencil, and then couldn't help laughing. "That's all I can think of just this minute," she said.

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