

A Rich Man on Riches.
 The following story is told of Jacob Ridgway, a wealthy citizen of Philadelphia, who died many years ago, leaving a fortune of five or six million dollars.
 "Mr. Ridgway," said a young man with whom the millionaire was conversing, "you are more to be envied than any gentleman I know."
 "Why so?" responded Mr. Ridgway: "I am not aware of any cause for which I should be particularly envied."
 "Why sir!" exclaimed the young man in astonishment, "Think of the thousands your income brings you every month."
 "Well, what of that?" replied Mr. Ridgway. "All I get out of this are my victuals and clothes, and I can't eat more than one's man's allowance, or wear more than one suit of clothes at the same time. Pray can't you do as much?"
 "But," said the youth, "think of the hundreds of fine houses you own, and of the rent brings you."
 "What better am I off for that?" replied the rich man. "I can only live in one house at a time; and as for money I receive for rents, why, I can't eat it or wear it; I can only use it to buy other houses for others to live in. They are the beneficiaries, and not I."
 "But you can buy costly furniture, and pictures, and fine carriages, and horses—in fact everything you may desire."
 "And after I have bought them," responded Mr. Ridgway, "what then? I can only look at the furniture and pictures. I can ride no easier in a fine carriage than you can in an omnibus for five cents, with trouble of attending to drivers, footmen and hostlers; and as to anything I desire, I tell you young man, the less we desire in this world better and happier we shall be. All my wealth cannot purchase exemption from sickness and pain; cannot procure the power to keep off the hand of death; and what will it avail when in a few short years at most I leave it all forever? Young man, you have no cause to envy me."

BE KIND BOYS.—Horace Mann talks to the boys as follows: "You are made to be kind, boys—generous, magnanimous. If there is a club foot, don't let him know you ever saw it. If there is a poor boy with ragged clothes, don't talk about rags in his hearing. If there is a lame boy assign him some other part of the game that does not require running. If there is a hungry one, give him a part of your dinner. If there is a dull one, help him to get his lesson. If there is a bright one be not envious of him; for if one boy is proud of his talents and another is envious, there are two great wrongs and no more talent than before. If a larger or stronger boy has injured you and is sorry for it forgive him. All the school will show by their countenances how much better it is than to have a great fist."

NONE PERFECT.—One day you will be pleased with a friend and the next day be disappointed in him. It will be so to the end, and you must make your mind up to it and not quarrel, unless for very grave causes. Your friend, you have found out, is not perfect. Nor are you, and you cannot expect to get much more than you give. You must look for weakness, foolishness, and vanity in human nature; it is unhappy if you are too sharp in seeing them.

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