

PREPARE FOR REST.
The Money Getters Should Take Time to Learn How to be a Wise Spender.

There is a time in men's lives when they need to learn how to work; there is a time for some men when they need to learn how to stop working, or at least how to find enjoyment in other than their usual money-making occupations. In a well ordered life there is through its whole term a due allowance of hours for labor and hours for recreation and improvement. The man, instead of becoming absorbed in his business, to the neglect of everything else, interests himself in works of humanity, joins social organizations, where he makes friends and lays the foundation for the enjoyment of the days of leisure that are to come. Whether he be rich or poor, the time will come when he shall be too old to work; when he shall be compelled to give up his daily occupation and find employment for his mind at least in charitable work, in reading or in social enjoyment.

One might suppose that any man might be qualified for this without special training or preparation, but this is not the case. Too great absorption in business affairs for years unites a man for other occupations; he becomes the slave of work, and can find no leisure. When he seeks to retire he finds himself pursued by the demon of unrest, and either passes a miserable existence or resumes work at an age when he is fairly entitled to rest. The man of large means who thus finds himself enslaved is no better off than his poor brother who, having reached an age when he should retire, is compelled by poverty to continue his labors. It is desirable, therefore, that the prosperous business man should give up his business while in the prime of life in the daily round of cares and exertions incident to trade should limit the hours given to such labor and seek other associations and other occupations during the hours of leisure. Then when the time comes for him to give up business he may gradually increase the time given to reading, to self improvement, to works of charity or public improvement, and find equal enjoyment in these. He is no longer a slave, but has earned and enjoys his freedom.

The man who has no hobby outside of his daily occupation, who permits himself to be wrapped up in selfish designs in money making, may achieve his single purpose, that of acquiring wealth, but if he should have no means of using it, he will find it no enjoyment. The business man knows very well that there is a difference between a great difference between the intrinsic value of a given article and its commercial value. If he cannot use it or dispose of it in a profitable way it is of no value to him. Precisely the same thing is true of the wealth he is so earnestly striving to gain. It has intrinsic value, but unless he can make profitable use of it (apart from mere accumulation) it will bring him no enjoyment. He needs to learn how to spend money as well as how to make it, and he cannot learn how to spend all in one lesson after devoting a lifetime to the other study. He cannot give up the best years of his manhood to selfish pursuits and then at a given moment retire from business and begin to associate with his fellow men in literary, art, charitable, religious, and other social organizations. He is not fitted by training or inclination for such company or association for his mind and energies. He is like a stranger in a foreign land, unable to understand the language of the people or to make his own intelligible to them. He must pass a solitary existence or return to his own country.

This is the man who is not content to those who selfishly pursue money getting without giving any attention to their social duties. On the other hand, the successful business man who, while diligently following his occupation, keeps in close sympathy with his fellow men, joining them in social organizations, helping to promote the advancement of mankind, and assisting in works of benevolence and charity, is a citizen of the world, speaking all languages. When he shall reach an old age he will not find himself among an alien people, but with friends, with abundant occupation for mind and heart outside of business, and with contentment, accompanying wealth, that is a real value to him because he is prepared to make good use of it.—Baltimore Sun.

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