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PYRAMID OF P'S FOR OUR
POTENT PEDAGOGUES.

The Pyramids of Egypt are one of the Seven Wonders of the world. These are immense stone structures, erected by the ancient Egyptians as burial places for their dead. Their exact age is unknown. The storms of centuries have beaten upon them. Still they stand the wonder of modern times. Every year thousands of tourists from every part of the civilized globe visit the scenes of these pyramids and behold their massive forms with wonder and awe. How long these structures will stand no one can foretell. Doubtless they will stand for ages yet to come. Some day they will disappear. The last stone will be leveled with the earth and the Pyramids of Egypt will be known only in history.

Stone and mortar will have no place in the structure which I shall attempt to build here to-night. *It is my purpose to aid you as* ~~By aid of your imagination~~ I shall *teach* ~~to erect a pyramid~~ *from* immaterial substance *a pyramid* which shall indeed be more enduring than any edifice constructed of iron or granite.

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Punctuality.

In our pyramid we will place the Punctuality. The old proverb says: "Lost time is never found again." It is said that Alexander Hamilton, when Secretary of State once came late to a cabinet meeting. He excused himself on the ground that his watch was behind time. Then said Washington, "You must get another watch or I must get another Secretary." Lord Nelson the great English naval commander said "I attribute all my success in life to the fact that I have always made it a rule to be a quarter of an hour ahead of time." The great Chesterfield said of the Duke of Newcastle, "His grace loses a quarter of an hour every morning and spends all the rest of the day looking after it." Cornelius Vanderbilt began his business career on a salary of sixty dollars per month. He made it the rule of his life to always be punctual -- punctual in the meetings, all engagements, all appointments, and in meeting all his financial obligations. The great fortune which he accumulated he attributed to his habit of punctuality.

After Admiral Dewey had won his great naval victory at Minnilla Bay he was ordered home to receive the highest honors that a free people could show to one of its military heroes whose victory had honored the entire Nation. Arrangements were made to receive him at New York and an extensive program was prepared. The time was fixed long before hand. For weeks before the day appointed Admiral Dewey was not heard from. As the day approached for the celebration in his honor nothing was heard from the coming hero. The people in the New York and the thousands who were to attend the exercise became anxious for fear that he would not arrive in time.

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To the surprise of every body two days before the appointed time the flag ship of Admiral Dewey was sighted off New York . His fleet was anchored in the bay and a reporter of a new York paper went out in a boat to interview him. When asked in regard to his early arrival Dewey said: " I have made it a rule of my life to always try to be a day or two ahead of time instead of ^{hour} a day behind time. "

Punctuality is important in any school and the teacher teach it by example .

Punctuality does not merely apply to the beginning ~~on~~ school on time but includes all recitations and the entire program of the day. Another thing. People do always agree on what punctuality means. The teacher and the pupil often looks at this matter from a different stand point. The teacher is apt to think that punctuality consists in beginning the on time while the pupil is more apt to think it consists in quitting on time. In fact punctuality consists both beginning and quitting on time.

P R O M P T N E S S .

Promptness is another ~~thing~~ P which must go in our pyramid. to be prompt is to be ready and quick to act as occasion demands. The prompt person meets requirements readily as they come . In the government and management of a school , in the conducting of recitations , in the answering of the many question daily propounded , in meeting the ever varying situations , and perplexing problems constantly arising in a school room the teacher should be prompt. In decision and action hesitation and delay is always dangerous and very frequently fatal. The teacher must have decision of character.

Promptly accept good things when offered.