# Rose from Poverty

## Inspiring Career of F. A. Vanderlip

One of the remarkable products of our American institutions and an example of what perseverance will make of even the poorest boy is Frank A. Vanderlip, formerly assistant secretary of the United States treasury, who has just returned from a European trip to assume the vice presidency of a New York bank at a salary of $25,000 a year. This man of 35, before whom apparently stretches a great future, is recalled by gray-haired residents of Aurora, Ill., as a barefoot, hungry-looking boy, whose childhood was spent in poverty and who had the compassion of the prosperous. As a mere lad he went to work in the railroad shops of his native town at wages amounting to $2 per week. The wretchedness of his own condition, as compared with the joys of those more fortunately situated, filled him with the determination to employ every energy in the making of his career. At the bench, beside the trip-hammer, in the smoky, grimy shops of a great railroad, he studied shorthand and at night eagerly read everything he could secure. Finally an opening presented itself with a financial concern in Chicago. He sought it and became in a

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short time a confidential agent whose duty it was to look up the standing of firms and individuals and to establish the value of bonds and securities as they came on the market. To financial editor of a big Chicago daily was a natural step, and when a publication devoted to economics and finance was founded he became identified with it. Business opportunities were presented which he did not allow to pass unimproved. He became identified with a banking concern in a Chicago suburb, and when Mr. Gage became secretary of the treasury Mr. Vanderlip's reputation in the west as a financial expert was such that the new secretary selected him at once as private secretary. His promotion to assistant secretary was but a matter of weeks. With increasing prosperity Vanderlip never forgot what to him had been the horrors of his early struggle against poverty and want.

**Aids Young Men.**

A score or more young men of Chicago thank and bless him for making it possible to secure a higher education than that afforded by the public schools. They are nearly all in the professions now. Never has he been known to make a mistake in his selection of objects for assistance. Sometimes the start was wrong, but in the end the results were satisfactory. Once he thought he had discovered a violinist of rare promise. From an humble position in life Mr. Vanderlip sent him to an Italian master. In ten months his protege wrote that he no longer felt justified in accepting the bounty given him, as the preliminary work had established his inability to ever become a great musician. He had concluded that he was adapted to the practice of medicine. Vanderlip brought him back to America and placed him in a Chicago medical school. From this he went to the marine corps as a surgeon, and he has twice been sent abroad as a government expert, his reports on his return attracting unusual attention.

From Chicago and Aurora he brought a dozen young men whom he placed in the treasury department. Before giving them the position he compelled all to undergo a rigid examination proving their fitness. Twice each month, on department pay days, they were obliged to bring their savings accounts to the assistant secretary, to show that a portion of their wages had been placed on deposit and was drawing interest. In time two of these young men went to Harvard, three to Dartmouth and the remainder to minor institutions of learning.

**Hated and Loved.**

When he retired from his official connection with the treasury department at the commencement of the second McKinley administration, he was, perhaps, the most loved and the most hated man who ever held the place second to the secretary. He was denounced and praised. He was reviled and revered. He was guarded for weeks by a secret service officer to prevent personal violence being done him. During the same weeks voluntary contributions were made to create a fund with which an elaborate loving cup was purchased and presented, upon his withdrawal from office, as a testimonial from those who were associated with him.

He brought to the department the business methods of the bank and counting room. He insisted that working hours be devoted to work. Believing that the eight hours' service required by the government of its employes was not a period too long to be spent in serving its interests faithfully, he insisted on every employe reporting promptly and not deserting the desk until the full hours had been served. Drones who had, under the protection of a civil service system, grown to believe that their places were secure, and as little service as possible need be rendered, were astonished at the methods of the assistant secretary. It was they who hated, reviled and threatened him. Treasury employes who gave the department faithful service learned to know the secretary as he was. It was they who loved, praised and revered him.

**Potatoes Said to Be Poisonous.**

Some time ago there was published a number of things which, according to the discoveries of science, the human race must not do. Now it is necessary to remark on the alleged disclosures as to what the human race must not eat.

Bread may contain alum, milk may secrete under its innocuous surface the deadly ptomaine, meat may inoculate the system with the appalling truchinosis, and a list of deleterious things which water may pour into our internal economies is indefinite. It was supposed that there was one edible that might be homely but was harmless. Yet science is trying to cut us off from that. It is asserted that a Washington analyst has discovered large quantities of solanin in potatoes, and solanin is asserted to be poisonous to humanity. Further specifications is offered to the effect that at the indefinite date of "some years ago" a large number of Austrian soldiers were poisoned by potatoes containing solanin.

**Guardsman and Ostrich.**

A British guardsman in the South African service had an unfortunate experience recently. He was stationed about 100 miles from Cape Town at a remount depot. One day a farmer stopped him as he was taking a constitutional and warned him against crossing an inclosure containing a cock ostrich, which had become bad tempered. The guardsman said no ostrich ever hatched would turn him out of his way and went on unmoved. As he did not return home four hours afterward his brother officers were alarmed and sent out search parties. What was their surprise to find him lying on his back unhurt, with a cock ostrich sitting on his chest. The bird had knocked him down each time he had tried to rise, but could not hurt him while he lay on his back. Yet leave his enemy he declined to do, and therefore sat quietly upon him until driven off by the rescue party.

Patience is fortitude fixed in faith, endurance lighted up with hope. If heroism is courage in activity, then patience is courage in repose.

## WHEN COACHMAN SMOKES.

**This Coachman Did in the Absence of the Family.**

A wireless wanderer among the clubs sought to express his astonishment at a condition of affairs of which one of his companions told, and with this purpose he exclaimed: "I should have as soon expected to see a coachman laughing."

This implied dignity of the coachman is commonly observed, but there was a sad breach of it in lower Broadway the other evening. A private brougham was being driven up the street from one of the downtown ferries just before the dinner hour. The horses were stylish and well kept, the carriage was spick and span, the coachman's livery was faultless; but, alas for the traditions of his post! The coachman was smoking assiduously, getting the greatest evident enjoyment out of a briar cutty-pipe. It was quite clear that he had carried the family to a ferry or steamboat, and that quite sure that they were out of the way he had determined to lose no time in getting down to the pleasures or comforts nearest his heart.—New York Sun.

**Wonderful Case in Indiana.**

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**Lew Wallace's Autobiography.**

General Lew Wallace is at work upon his autobiography. He made a trip to Kentucky recently to confer with some veterans on certain features of the battle of Shiloh which will be included in the work.

**Laundering Thin Dresses.**

To launder the exquisite creations of muslin and lace in which this season abounds has become quite a problem, yet the most delicate materials will not be injured if washed with Ivory Soap and then dried in the shade. But little starch need be used. ELIZA R. PARKER.

A manuscript Bible, richly illuminated, of about the year 1410, has just been sold at auction in London for 1200 guineas.

## DANGER IN HOSIERY.

**Inflammation of Skin Traced to Wearing Colored Stockings.**

The London Lancet printed an interesting article recently, in which it is shown that arsenic sometimes occurs in dyed stockings of bright colors. Indeed dermatitis, or inflammation of the skin, has been traced to the wearing of stockings containing arsenic. The arsenic appeared to be present partly in a soluble and partly in an insoluble form. In another article in the Lancet was a curious list of mineral substances that were found in dress materials. No arsenic was found in any one specimen of the material submitted to examination, although there were present salts of zinc, aluminum, chromium, tin, magnesium and iron. In one case, that of pink flannel, the material was loaded with Epsom salts. The materials examined were all more or less brilliantly colored with aniline dyes. In recording the results of this inquiry it was stated that from time to time dermatitis had been referred to the use of highly colored fabrics and although dyes may not be injurious per se, yet certain poisonous agents, such as mordants, may be used in their preparation.—Milwaukee Wisconsin.

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