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HARD WORK THE EARLIEST RECREATION OF THIS STORY WRITER.

Sketch of the Howells Family—The Evil Star That for a Time Guided Its Course—How William Dean's Early Effusions Were Received by Rural Critics.

[Special Correspondence.]

CLEVELAND, Feb. 7.—Work, hard work, was the earliest recreation of Howells, the novelist. He was neither rocked in a satin lined cradle nor hushed to sleep in the lap of luxury. His father and his father's father had been toilers before him, and even as a child this son of genius earned his bread by the sweat of his brow. It was seventy-nine years ago that a weaver went forth from the little Welsh village of Hay and sailed over the sea to America. The emigrant was Joseph Howells, and with him came his English wife and infant son. The baby was named William Cooper Howells and he in turn became the sire of a baby of his own. The second youngster, William Dean Howells, is the leaven of this rapid sketch.

The English mother of William Cooper Howells was a woman of superior education and refined qualities. She was, moreover, an ambitious woman, for she taught her son to read before he was 4 years old. The bent of her mind was toward poetry and general literature, and she left her impress upon her son, who became an editor, and upon her grandson, who is now one of our foremost men in letters. Reared a Quaker, she was repudiated by the Friends when Cupid gave her heart and hand to the sturdy young Welshman. However, she never deserted her early faith, and the garb of the society was too dear a badge for her ever to surrender. Joseph was a rover, moving hither and thither, up the Hudson from Manhattan Island, over into Virginia, then into southern Ohio, and finally across the river to the flourishing settlement of Wheeling. The baby from athwart the main became a youth and then a printer, and at 24 he married Mary Dean, an Ohio girl, who was bred and born in the old fashioned town of New Lisbon. The printer turned editor, and coming back into this state, he drifted here and there, while an evil star dogged his heels. His mission in those days was to preach the doctrines of anti-slavery and to herald abroad the tenets of the Whig faith.

In the meantime his family multiplied. The first born was J. A. Howells, and after him came the novelist. The two boys were taught to set type before they had entered their teens, and the younger stood on a chair because he was too short to reach up to his case. The father eventually brought up at Dayton, where he exchanged all the money he possessed for The Transcript newspaper. W. D. Howells was then 12 years old, but he was a skillful printer and he could set type as fast as a man. While other lads of his age were at school he was a bread winner in his father's office. The Transcript, however, was a failure financially, at least, and the family resumed their wanderings. This time Columbus, the state capital, was their destination. There the father reported the proceedings of the general assembly for The Journal, while the boys found employment as printers with the same paper at the princely pay of \$4 a week. In 1852 editor Howells bought an interest in The Ashtabula Sentinel, and a few months later he removed it to Jefferson, the county seat, where it has ever since remained. Jefferson is fifty miles north and east of Cleveland, as the crow flies, and William Dean, the flower of the tribe of Howells, was 15 when he went there to live. His education indeed was a practical one. The whir of the hand press and the click of the types had been his teacher and his playmate. His companions were men who visited his father's sanctum to renew their subscriptions or to discuss the very latest political complication. Those great anti-slavery leaders, Senator Benjamin F. Wade and Congressman Joshua R. Giddings, were citizens of the town, and contributions from their blunt pens often found their way into the columns of The Sentinel. The Sentinel was ably conducted and it was filled each week with choice poems by Whittier, Longfellow and Buchanan Reed. W. C. Howells, the moving spirit in the enterprise, went to school but six months all told, but by application he was able to teach his sons Latin and French and to direct their tastes in the best literary channels. His library was quite complete and in it young Howells spent many a satisfying hour. He took up the study of Spanish, and before long he translated a story from that language at his printer's case, setting the types as he went along. "Will Narey" was his maiden nom de plume, and over that signature he wrote sly verses and short sketches for The Jefferson Weekly.

Of course the wise heads of the village discussed the merits of these productions while toasting their shins before the glowing stoves of grocery stores and postoffice. And alas! the criticisms were not always delivered in the spirit of charity or encouragement. So fierce were the assaults at times that the young writer was almost inclined to abandon his pen and stick to his types. A little story called "The Reminiscences of a Candidate," called out a terrible tirade from those self appointed censors, who, tiring of talking crops, turned their verbal batteries toward a slip of a boy whose only fault was a determination to get on in the world. At 20 Howells went to Columbus with his father, who had been appointed clerk in the state senate. For a time he was legislative correspondent for a Cincinnati newspaper, and then he became the news and literary editor of The Columbus Journal at a salary of \$12 a week. Whiteclaw Reid was then sending dispatches to the old Cincinnati Gazette for \$10 a week. John J. Piatt, a writer of some consequence in the West, was also a citizen of the capital, and he and Howells pooled their poetical fancies and jointly issued a little book of poems. It was while in Columbus that Howells sent his first verses to The Atlantic. They were accepted, and a check for \$25 was sent him. Three years later Lincoln was nominated for the presidency, and Howells wrote a sketch of his life and had it published in book form. It paid the author \$200 in hard cash and gave him the consulship at Venice. Thus ended Howells' career in Ohio. He went to Italy, and before he was 28 "Venetian Life" had been published in New York and London.

Howells' genius came to him, perhaps, from his Quaker grandmother. His mother, Mary Dean, was a woman of many virtues, but it cannot be said that her inclination was very marked in the direction of letters. The father, now 80 years old, was, until quite recently, United States consul at Quebec. He lives in Jefferson, where his son, J. A. Howells, still owns and edits The Sentinel. Anne Howells, the younger daughter, married Prechotto, the Canadian poet. She, too, is a writer of verses and descriptive articles, but her talent is not of as high an order as that of her dis-

tinguished brother. The novelist is a Howells rather than a Dean. His father's stoop is perpetuated in him, while he inherits his mother's Pennsylvania German thrift and business capacity. A shining mark he is, surely, and yet he is not a college graduate. J. B. M.

MRS. LOUISA KNAPP.

A Popular Woman Editor—What She Has Accomplished—Her Large Salary. [Special Correspondence.]

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—When such highly esteemed American writers as Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, Rose Terry Cooke, Marion Harland, Jennie June, Harriet Prescott Spofford, Josiah Allen's Wife, Christine Terhune Herrick and Mary Abbott Rand become not only the leading, but, all of them, regular contributors to an illustrated monthly, that periodical must have rare special attractions and unusually strong claims upon the educated women of this country.

To secure and retain these favorite authors, as members of her corps of entertaining instructors, is the task to which Mrs. Louisa Knapp has devoted herself. Fully appreciating the necessities and practical economy of American households, she knows that her thousands of readers in every section of this land of homes would be best edified and amused by those to whose pen labor none were strangers. As editor of The Ladies' Home Journal, she determined, at the outset, to have at her command the best writings by her own sex that money would purchase. Mrs. Knapp is both clever and liberal. As a practical housekeeper she knows to a nicety what interests and moves practical, energetic women.

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American and European Railways.

Some apprehension has been felt at the interference of our government in the affairs of private railway corporations. But it should be remembered that outside of Great Britain the governments of Europe are in great part owners of the railways. This is true of France, Belgium, Holland, Prussia, Russia, Austria and Italy. Of course there are some private companies in all those countries, but the governments are generally the owners of the principal railway lines, and supervise the private corporations. And, on the whole, this government ownership has worked very well. Freight rates are lower on the continent than in Great Britain or the United States, accidents rarely occur, and then the profits of the various systems accrue to the national treasuries instead of to private individuals. Beginning with Jay Gould and the Vanderbilts, there are probably some two hundred persons in the United States who have built up enormous fortunes out of our railway systems. There is no corresponding class of railroad magnates on continental Europe, though there are quite a number in England, where, as in the United States, the roads are owned by private corporations. Of course in many respects, our railways are in advance of those of Europe. The latter has nothing comparable to our sleeping car accommodations, and then were our government to have built our roads, there would have been no such rapid construction as we have witnessed under the spur of private enterprise. We have now 130,000 miles of road in the United States—nearly as much as all Europe combined. In a very few years we will have more miles of road than all the rest of the world together. It is estimated that during the year 1887 we shall build nearly 12,000 miles of new railroads, which would make this the greatest year of the kind in our history. C. G.

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Jan. 27.