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Last Sabbath at our Children's Service we had a singularly interesting ceremony.

A dozen or more little children, who had attained the age of seven, coming up to the altar, and receiving from the hands of the pastor, each a BIBLE. In each Bible was written this text, taken from REVELATION, 21st CHAPTER, 7th VERSE:—

"He, that overcometh shall inherit all things, and I will be his GOD, and he shall be my son."

After giving to each little one a beautiful copy of the Scriptures with its text, and decorating each with a choice flower, the children returned to the family pew, then our pastor, Dr. STIMPSON, preached a sermon to the children on the very text selected for their Bibles. His subject was, as you may imagine, condensed in the word, "OVERCOME."

The instant I began to meditate, as to what I should present to you at this meeting, the two words, CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR took large proportions before my
mind's eye, and these words called up that scene at the Children's meeting, which somehow filled the hearts of all beholders with a tender and tearful sympathy, and I thought of the good pastor's philosophy; where-in he demonstrated the universality of the inborn disposition of human beings to overcome, making it indeed a natural God-given faculty of the soul. And I thought next that for every child of Adam, in seeking to overcome, came into play this well chosen word of yours, "ENDEAVOR."

Suppose then, we take our subject: **ENDEAVOR TO OVERCOME.**

Now, may I not take the egoistic privilege of a busy man, and simply give you the benefit of a little experience, toughing this subject of overcoming, in connection with my own life?

1. **THE PHYSICAL STRUGGLE.** Physical strength is essential to real manhood. (General Howard then told incidents of his childhood of raking, mowing, holding the plow, of the plays at horse, quoits, round-ball, wrestling, struggling against adults, &c. &c.)

2. **THE HIGHSCHOOL EXPERIENCE.** how he met"
and all sorts of having. The College, the foot ball

A networking of all participants with a general mood, filled
with enthusiasm and pride. I found myself at the good, eager, yet
modestly and deceptively calm yet voracious party to overcome,

one. And I found myself more than ready, fully equipped to


SUPERB FROM ME, WE TAKE OUR TEA. "HINDIAVAZOR".

ONE BOW WAVE. AND OUR SAVAGE SPIRIT FETTERS US ALL.

Now, only I not care the outside principles of a "Pan-


ONE IN THE PHYSICAL STUDIO. Perfect attendance to

essential to keep mankind. (General Honoring).

both influences of the Catholicism of Oxford, and

voting for all of the places, no more. "Hindiava-

THE IN-HOUSE EXPLORER. Form the more...
and all sorts of hazing. The College, the football
the Gymnasium. The fights then seemed as real con-
licts as those with Stonewall Jackson.

III. THE MENTAL STRUGGLE. To fit for college-
School teaching as a help. Entered a year in ad-
vance of his class. The struggle for headship. The
West Point Strivings, physical and mental.

IV. THE MORAL AND SPIRITUAL STRUGGLE. Need of a
mother's hand. To keep the Sabbath and other comma-
ments. Need of early lessons in seeking the help
and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

(A) Sabbath swimming in Dead River.

(B) Faithfulness of a mother in her letters.

(C) An own brother's example and pleadings.

V. WHAT IS BEST FOR ALL SPIRITUAL LIFE:
The word of God a daily study.
Prayer, a sensitive, receptive photographic surface
always upturned to God;
Our Lord by his Spirit an ever present companion in
closest fellowship.

Then Gen'l. Howard closed with an appeal to the
young people to keep to their own standard, viz.,
"CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR" by body and soul.
III. THE MATERIAL STRUCTURE. To fit for college -

- School fees as a help - Prepare a plan for-

- Some of the classes - The struggle for resources -

- West Point's Structure - Physical and mental

IV. THE MORAL AND SPIRITUAL STRUCTURE - Need of a

- Mother's Faith - To keep the Sabbath and other command-

- Need of early leisure to seek the best and

- Discovery of the Holy Spirit.

(A) Support swimming in Deep River.

(B) Participations of a mother in her letters.

(C) Are our professions' examples any pleasing?

V. WHAT IS BEST FOR ALL SPIRITUAL LIFE?

The work of God a great signal

Prayer, a sensation, recollection, prophetic signs.

Always inquired for God's blessing.

Our Lord by the Spirit our ever present companion in

Closer fellowship.

Then God I found close with an approach to open

To see people to keep, to yield once, education's art.

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