

he has some action and a positive character is far more deserving.

But as we come to talk about it, how many of us would really care to have our life's history known. These are young hearts but I'll venture that there is many a life of history and romance that lies beneath the gray coat. But we come here and each cadet is in many respects, looked upon and treated as an honest gentleman until he has proven himself otherwise and so long as a man conducts himself upright the average American care little for the past. So if you want to tell your private history that is your business, no one is likely to question you about it.

How has a boy been reared? What were his prospects once and what are they today? But ought a boys prospects to ever change? Ought not they always be bright as long as he has health and strength. Here is a young fellow that has been reared at home under good moral influence, a boy whom everybody in his native village liked, one who always had the reputation of being a smart boy with glorious prospects. He is probably seventeen and his parents decide to send him off to college. He starts out, all the world is strange, no one seems to care for him or notice him, unless some sharper who tries to entice him off and get his money. He arrives at college, he is treated politely, yet coldly indifferently. He grows melancholy maybe, this soon wears off or maybe it lasts until he in turn is soured until he cannot speak a kind word to anyone. He does not know how to take the world and maybe will never learn. Always having been in a calm peaceful harbor he does not know how to get in life's procession. He is buffeted on every side and slowly pushed back into an inky sea of derision or the same one may probably get out to sea but instead of starting off on a well planned voyage, he sleeps on his oars and begins drifting with the current, here and there until he is finally engulfed in the sargasso sea of oblivion. In either case he lacked force of character. He might have become strong enough to force the world if he had been kept under parents protecting arm long-