

Characteristics: (by Nelson Sizer, at Bowlers, in New York, on suggestion of Oliver Dyer, who accompanied me - Aug. 14, 1851.)

"You are a steady, firm, uniform, judicious, independent, consistent, sound-minded man. It takes considerable to awaken your energies, & to make you say sharp things; and a man must watch you closely to find you uttering a foolish thing. You are prudent, yet rather blunt. You are truthful, and hence you speak your mind without circumlocution or deception and what you say to-day tallies with what you said yesterday, because guided by the principle of truth. You dare to be candid.

"You have large Self-Esteem, and large Approbativeness, large Firmness, Conscientiousness and Cautionness. These elements constitute the backbone of your character. They give the consistency, independence, and prudence, of which I have spoken.

"You are not an animal. Your efforts are of an elevating cast. You teach mankind good, judicious sense. You do not make a flourish. You are not wordy. There is <sup>more</sup> ~~more~~ sense than noise, as much ball as powder, as much bite as bark, as much action as profession. You have more moral than physical courage, consequently your battles are dignified, intellectual. [Such men as you should be honored, etc.]

"We are not greedy after this world's gear. Your financiering talent is not one of feeling, it is one of thought and necessity. I said you were not animal; you are not a sensualist, or a gourmandizer, unless you have been very much perverted. You are temperate and female virtue would be safe in your keeping. You have a good deal of the ministerial in your character. You are a reasoner and thinker, but not a ready writer or speaker. x x x You have good mechanical judgment; - better than practical talent; in fact, you are more sound than practical, more of a planner than executor. You believe in reform and

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proper. You are willing to make new tracks.

"You are naturally kind in your disposition, disposed to do good. Your religion is one of justice, faith in truth, and kindness, justice being the chief corner-stone. If you are not honest, you ought to be drummed out of the world, because if dishonest, you have become so on purpose, and in violation of the strong tendency of your mind.

"You relish wit, but it does not come with the flourish of trumpets. It is a quiet, judicious and gentlemanly wit, that can be used in the presence of ladies without giving offence.

"I think you have a good musical ear. I scarcely find the organ better developed. You have a good appetite, but it seeks to eat rather than to drink.

"You are more like your mother than like your father in character; in your cast of moral feelings, and intellect; in your prudence; in your modesty, refinement of feeling, and sensitiveness in regard to character. You love children, and are passionately fond of home. ++ You have never said an immodest thing in ladies' society in your life." ++

Chelmsford Granite: - University Hall, Cambridge; many houses in Boston; and Presbyterian Church in Savannah; were built of Chelmsford granite.

Chelmsford Memoranda: - See e--P.