

Upon an application to direct an allowance to a minor, then at College, who would be entitled, when of age, to an income of about 300*l* a year, he thus addressed the ward of the Court:—
“Young gentleman, you will shortly become entitled to a small property, which may prove to you either a blessing or a curse, according as you use it. It was perhaps, fortunate for me that I was not situated in my early life as you are now. I had not, like you, a small fortune to look to; I had nothing to depend on but my own exertions; and so far from considering this a misfortune, I now esteem it a blessing; for if I had possessed the same means which you will enjoy, I should in all probability not be where I now am. I would therefore caution you not to let this little property turn your mind from more important objects; but rather let it stimulate you to cultivate your abilities, and to advance yourself in society.”

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Life of Lord Eldon

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