

- 1—Ang manggang ito ay ubod ng tamis. —This mango is exceedingly sweet.
- 2—Si Mameng ay totoong maganda. —Mameng is exceedingly beautiful.
- 3—Si Bb. Hernandez ay lubhang maingat sa gawain. —Miss Hernandez is exceedingly careful in her work.
- 4—Si Gobernador Halili ay sakdal ng buti sa kanyang mga kawani. —Governor Halili si exceedingly good to his employees.
- 5—Si G. Matias Fernando ay ulo ng yaman sa Anggat. —Mr. Matias Fernando is exceedingly yaman sa Anggat.
- 6—Si Mina ay labis ng bait. —Mina is exceedingly virtuous.
- 7—Si Julio ay sakdal ng tapang. —Julio is exceedingly brave.
- 8—Si Felisa ay labis ng hinhin. —Felisa is exceedingly modest.
- 9—Si Marcos ay hari ng tamad. —Marcos is exceedingly lazy.
- 10—Ang gabi ay pisik ng dilim. —The night is exceedingly dark.

## MY UNFORGETTABLE TEACHER

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During this age of deterioration and disintegration of our moral structure as confirmed by the prevalence of disorder and rampant lawlessness in many parts of our young republic, it is relieving to remember one who in my elementary-school age produced an indelible impression upon my youthful mind. Nowadays when moral principles are discussed and ethical qualities of ideal men and women are mentioned and pointed out with the aim of setting them up as standards for the young and adolescent people to emulate, I cannot help recalling that teacher of mine in grade seven whose self-control and moral rectitude has always inspired me. He died some years ago (may he rest in peace!), but the integrity of his character lives and will forever live in my memory. I have in mind the late Mr. Emiliano G. Remo, who was chief of the administrative division, Bureau of Audits, at the time of his death.

Being then the only P.N.S. graduate in our school, he possessed the best professional training and educational qualification. Naturally his fellow teacher harbored an envious feeling toward him when his promotion in position

and in salary came one after the other in close succession. Intuitively or instinctively he learned of this envious attitude of his subordinates, formerly his fellow teachers, but he maintained his composure. In due time through tact and diplomacy he won over their good will and cooperation.

There were other instances in which he manifested his calmness, but the incident that created in me the deepest impression and convinced me of his equanimity was his reaction to a lampoon and a caricature which were posted outside the door of our room one morning and pictured him a knave, a rogue. As we neared the door, I expected he would burst into a fit of anger; but as he turned and asked me to help him remove the wicked and vile "posters", I was surprised to note the faint smile on his face. Composedly he muttered, "They are cowards; they are afraid to fight me face to face." Even his voice did not evince any sign of agitation. That whole morning I closely observed him to verify if the composure he had shown was feigned or superficial, but I watched in vain.