

The Religious Education of the Child
—Translations from the German
and Thoughts from Other
Kindergartners.

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When we said that the foundation of the kindergarten is religion, it is not meant that in the kindergarten dogmas, creeds and catechisms are taught, but that the chief cornerstone of the system is the recognition of the spiritual nature. The "Education of Man" opens by saying, "In all things there lives and reigns an eternal law, the all-controlling law is necessarily based on an all pervading, energetic, living, self-conscious, and hence eternal unity. This unity is God." In education, "primarily and in truth, man works only that his spiritual nature may assume outward form. The fowls of the air, the human sense neither sow nor reap, but in their songs, in the building of their homes, in their varied and manifold actions, they reveal the spirit and life with which God has endowed them. Thus should man learn from the fowls of the air, and the hills of the field to reveal in his outward work and deeds the spirit that God has breathed in him." Froebel would have the teacher "study the child as a struggling expression of this inner divine law," and he says, "The aim of instruction is to bring the scholar to insight into the unity of all things, into the fact that all things have their being and life in God, so that in time he may be able to live in accordance with this insight." In an essay Froebel says, "The ground-work of religious work is love—love to God and man." Love to man necessarily begins in the home, and Froebel appeals to the mother with her child in her arms to foster the spiritual life. In his notes to a play called the "Dove House," he says, "The child has a feeling that he is a spark of the spirit of God. To the mother it is a sacred duty to foster this feeling as much as you can, that it may be to the child an increasing, active, comprehensive, although yet an unselfish feeling. Do not say the child is too young. Do you know when, and how and where spiritual development begins? Do you know when and how and where the limits and the beginning of the not yet existing may be, and how they may make themselves known? In God's world, just because it is God's world, created by God, is expressed a constant, that is individual, continuous development in all and through all. We have to open the eyes of the children that they may learn to know the Creator and His customs." Froebel says, "The child is endowed with a religious capacity, for if it were possible that a human being could be without religion, it would be impossible to give him religion. It is easy for the child to love God whom he has not seen, if he loves his mother and brother whom he has seen. With conviction Froebel declares, "Genuine, true, loving religion, reliable in all things and struggles, in times of oppression and in joy and pleasure, must come to a man in his infancy. A religious spirit, a fervid life in God and with God, in all conditions and circumstances of life, will hardly in later years rise to full, vigorous life, if he has not grown up with man from his infancy. The spirit grows through activity, and the work begun by the mother is carried on by the kindergarten, who, realizing her responsibility, leads the child to Nature, because from every object of nature and life there is a way to God." Froebel says, "Come along with me, my children, not for them, or at the same time, but with them, that our daily life may be so mingled with, and merged into theirs, that one looking on cannot say where our relation to them begins or ceases. This is no light task; indeed it is impossible to attain a certain God-given insight into child nature. It is hard to lift our thoughts from their daily level to meet the deep and abstruse reasonings of some great philosopher, but it is harder to lift our thoughts above the petty, narrow surroundings of self, to the broad untrammelled regions of a child's mind. We may conceal indifference or dislike from our dearest friend, but the clear, penetrating glance of the child detects it at once. He knows whether we are interested in the story we are telling or whether we are doing it merely to keep him quiet. So, if we wish to live with the children, we must not expect them to be able to live in the world we live in, but we must leave the world of self and enter the children's world. That is impossible without an intuitive knowledge of child-nature. Otherwise, we may grope along, bruising and disfiguring the children's delicate organs of feeling and thinking by our blind efforts to reach them. Sympathy is the expression of this divine gift of knowledge of child-nature. We must be able to stand on the same level and look in the same direction if we wish to see what he sees. We must know what feelings lead the boy to disobey, and what feelings followed the disobedience before we can hope to influence him by our words and awaken contrition. In the other hand, we must not force our sympathy upon the children, for either they will become so dependent upon it that they will not be able to act without its aid, or else will become indifferent to it, and we will be pushed out of the children's world. Through this duty to live with children rests first and chiefly upon parents, yet Froebel, the great apostle of child culture, showed very plainly its importance to teachers by making it the motto of his kindergarten system: "Come, let us live with our children."

Applicant (to matrimonial agent)—Can't you show me the photograph of that lady with \$100,000 who wants to get married? Oh, now, with such a dowry as that, you can imagine how she looks, without a photograph.

DEATH OF HON. W. G. STRONG.

(Summerside, P. E. I., Journal, May 4.)

On Saturday morning last, shortly after six o'clock, occurred the death, after a protracted illness, of Hon. William Gamble Strong of this town. The deceased, who had reached the age of seventy-nine years, was born at Sackville, N. B., and was a son of the late Rev. John B. Strong of Bingham, Nottinghamshire, England, who was sent out to Lower Canada in 1835 by the British Wesleyan conference, and who married Elizabeth Gamble, daughter of Luke Gamble of Quebec. He was educated at the St. John Grammar school and at Annapolis Royal. He came to the Island with his father when a young man, and engaged in business at Bedouque, where for a number of years he carried on a mercantile and shipbuilding business. He took an active interest in politics, and in 1862 he was elected a member of the legislative council in which he held his seat for eight years, during three of which he was leader of the government (conservative) in that chamber. He was appointed sheriff of Prince county, and held that office for fourteen years, or until 1876, when the government came into power. He was a faithful and efficient officer, and discharged the onerous duties of the position to the satisfaction of all. He was also a trustee of the Lunatic Asylum, and a director of the Summerside Bank. He was a very lively and practical man, interested in educational matters, and was for quite a number of years chairman of the Summerside school board, in which position he was popular with both the teachers and pupils, and the public generally. Mr. Strong was a prominent and successful member of the Methodist church, the interests of which he did all in his power to advance, and in which he was called upon to fill many important positions, including that of lay delegate from the Prince Edward Island Methodist church to the general conference in Toronto in 1873. He was the principal lay preacher of the Methodist church in this province, and for many years he occupied the pulpit almost every Sunday. He was a preacher of considerable power and impressiveness. As a legislative and public speaker he was forcible, eloquent and humorous, and always held the closest attention of his audience. As a man he was upright, conscientious and honorable in all his dealings with others; he was genial and friendly, and he was liked and respected by all, who knew him, and he was surrounded by him that he leaves many friends and no enemies. His death removes from the community one of nature's noblemen, whose life was a shining example for his fellow men, and he is sincerely mourned. He leaves two daughters—Mrs. C. W. Wright of Bedouque and Miss Mary A. Strong, Summerside—and five sons, Fred W. Strong, John B. Strong, C. Edward Strong and Henry P. Strong, Summerside, and R. Newton Strong, Boston. Mrs. Strong, it will be remembered, died in October last, so that death did not leave husband and wife long separated.

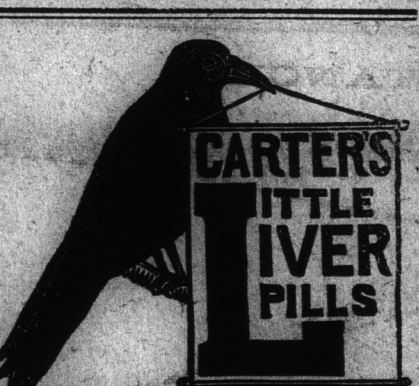
The funeral took place Monday afternoon, a large concourse of people assembling to pay their last respects to their old friend. There was a short service at the house, after which the casket containing the mortal remains of the departed was removed to the Methodist church, where a solemn and impressive funeral service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Sprague, assisted by Rev. G. C. P. Sprague, of Bedouque. The pulpit and choir stalls were draped in black, and the floral tributes were most appropriate. The pall-bearers were William T. Hunt, John Gaffney, R. McC. Stavey, Major Wright, John Clay and Leonard Morris. The interment took place in the Summerside cemetery, where the services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Sprague.

KEEN FOR ACTIVE SERVICE.

The keenness of the British officer to see service may perhaps be judged from the fact that over 300 volunteers were sent by officers serving in India to be allowed to join the Rifle Corps which is now being formed for Uganda—Dombay Advocate of India.

GIRLS SPANKED BY ELECTRICITY.

"Spanking by electricity." That is the latest, and needless to say, it comes from the west. Chicago papers are good enough to describe for us this aid to education, as used in the Chicago School for Girls, Davenport. It consists, we are told, of a seatless chair on which the victim is placed. It is high enough from the ground to allow four paddles to be operated by electric wires. The wrists are strapped to the arm of the chair, and the child is seated, and the chair does the rest.—The Outlook.



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PROVINCIAL NEWS.

Death of Rev. James Gray, First Presbyterian Minister of Sussex.

Funeral of the Late Mrs. Canon Medley—The Services at the Church and Grave.

SUSSEX, April 23.—Circumstances compel me to refer to the proceedings mentioned in my yesterday's notes, in which Samuel H. Taylor of the parish of Studholm, an agent for a sewing-machine firm and P. S. McNutt of your city, dealer in farm implements, and Edward Simpson, proprietor of the Mansard house, Pettoctidoc, are mentioned, the former as having entered the railway freight yard in the Intercolonial railway here and forcibly taking therefrom a horse in spite of the protestations of the railway official, it having been shipped by Simpson for Pettoctidoc, he Simpson having the customary bill of lading duly signed. It would seem that the matter was duly reported to the head-quarters at Moncton, which resulted in Detective Skiffington arriving here in connection with the matter this morning. After a brief consultation with the alderman, the magistrate, the police and the railway official, Taylor and McNutt were taken into custody and with what result has not yet been made known.

The grounds on which the new Roman Catholic church is to be built on Church avenue during the coming summer has been staked off and work begun.

J. A. Freeze has accepted the office of trustee of schools in room of D. H. Fairweather, who has been compelled to resign on account of ill health. Mr. Fairweather has held the position of secretary for over twenty years, and has been a most efficient officer.

The new building for a cheese and butter factory at Penobscue will be ready for operations in a few days. Samuel H. Taylor, mentioned in my notes as having forcibly entered a car of the Intercolonial railway and taking therefrom a horse, called on Edward Simpson, proprietor of the Mansard house in Pettoctidoc, in Sussex today with a view, it is said, of settling the matter. It would seem to be a matter of the rightful ownership of a horse of no great value.

Warfare has been resumed against the farmers here, and the new line of road about three miles from Sussex station and near the spot where the terrible cloud burst was felt last summer, for having entered the dwelling of a neighbor and making an assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, and for a dispute about a line fence is the cause of the trouble.

A number of other cases in dispute will have to be settled during the coming week.

DORCHESTER, N. B., May 3.—The May court opened at 10 o'clock, and the first case was heard by Mr. Justice Vauzant, who arrived in town by the St. John day express. The first case was a charge to go before the grand jury, his honor's charge to them was of some length, and with the exception of the finding by them of true bills in all the criminal cases, nothing was done at today's session. The men against whom the charges were laid were William and Rose Budd, and Frank and Charles Fowles, all of Moncton, sent up for trial on charges of assault and battery. The trial will probably come up tomorrow morning, and Hon. H. R. Emmerson will conduct the case entered on the civil docket: one, Sonier v. Hicks, to be tried before a jury, and the other, a charge of assault and battery on Mr. Gallagher for rent then and still due. The plaintiff is represented by George P. Gregory, and the defendant by Mr. Sweeney and Charles E. Knapp, and M. G. Todd appears for the defendant. Steno-grapher Kisteen is in attendance at the court.

The postponed Easter meeting of the rectory of the Anglican church of Trinity church was held in the church school room at 10 o'clock this morning. Rev. J. Roy Campbell presided. After considerable business of some importance, the meeting was adjourned to the 10th inst.

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Gadus Wilband of Midway has the contract for a new dwelling house for Mr. Tingley at Riverhead. Mrs. Butler of the crown was quite ill. Dr. Weaver is in attendance. Silas Wilbur, Jr., and Mrs. Edwin Wilbur of New York are visiting relatives at Mountville. Pastor Colwell baptized three converts yesterday at Albert.

FREDERICTON, N. B., May 4.—The circuit court re-opened at 10 o'clock this morning, and the case of the Queen v. William and Ross Budd, charged with breaking into and stealing from the American hotel in Moncton, was taken up. A. J. Chapman, for the Crown, appeared for the prosecution, but the prisoners were not represented by counsel. The jury retired shortly after 12 o'clock, and soon returned a verdict of not guilty, which was much in accordance with the views of Judge Vanwart, who in his charge stated that he thought the case of the crown very weak.

This afternoon Ross Budd was tried upon a further charge of stealing from a freight car of the Intercolonial railway at Moncton, and was convicted. To this charge William Budd confessed his guilt, and both were sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the maritime penitentiary. Ross Budd has but recently been discharged from the reformatory in St. John, where he spent three years.

Sonier v. Hicks, an action of trespass, comes first on the civil docket, which will be taken up tomorrow. A. D. Richard and M. G. Todd for plaintiff, and Hon. H. R. Emmerson for defendant.

WOODSTOCK, May 4.—The circuit court closed this afternoon till the 23rd of June, when it will open for the purpose of a new trial in the Queen v. Edwin and Chasman Crabb, charged with burning Sidney L. Lloyd's house and barns near Centerville last October. The jury disagreed yesterday.

Geo. F. Craig was found guilty on a charge of assaulting a police officer named Ruff and wounding him, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

In the civil case of Connell v. Upham a verdict was rendered for plaintiff for \$824.40.

FREDERICTON, May 4.—The result of the examinations of militia officers who recently finished the short course at the Infantry school here, was announced today. Those making above seventy per cent. first class certificates. Those who attended for a short time made high averages, but must take a second course before taking a first class certificate. Following is the list: Lt. Gillis, Paradise, 78; Captain Maxwell, Pictou, 75; Lt. W. L. Alexander, St. John, 75; Lt. W. L. Wenzler, Port Settlement, 75; Capt. Sanson, Stanley, 73; Lt. Margison, Centerville, 73; Lt. McLeod, Fredericton, 65; Lt. Lemont, Fredericton, 65; Lt. Smith, Lunenburg, 65; Lt. Windsor, 65; Lt. Dodge, Middleton, 65; Lt. Halsey, Outram, 65; Lt. Harris, 61; Lt. Warren, Bear River, 65; Lt. Mullock, Rhodes, point, 61; Lt. Hebe, Bridgetown, 65; Lt. McNeill, Melvern Square, 65; Lt. McFree, Bridgetown, 65; Lt. Russell, Lunenburg, 65; Lt. Mesereau, Doakville, 65; Lt. Inglis, Lunenburg, 65; Lt. Vroom, Middleton, 64.

G. S. Fisher & Co. of St. John have been awarded the contract for putting a new gravel roof on City hall.

Letters of administration were granted in the probate court today of the estate of Mrs. Geo. F. Atherton to her brother, Richard Roach of St. John. The estate is entered at \$1,850, all personal property. H. F. McLeod is executor.

The latest information from the lumber drives today continues encouraging. The Leframichi drives are said to be coming all right. Mr. Richards is out with four millions. On the Nashwaak Mr. Gibson has three hundred and fifty men with good water. Mr. Humble is out into the main Nashwaak with about four millions.

On the St. John Mr. Morrison is reported to have the corporation limits last night with four or five millions. The water is rising up river, and today logs have begun to run thick into the booms.

S. J. Kinney, aged 62, died at Oromocto today. His remains will be taken to the country for burial.

The sale of the carriage stock of John Edgecombe & Sons by Sheriff Sterling began today. The sales to date amounted to \$2,300. Fair prizes were realized.

David Hatt has sold out his interest in the grocery firm of Hatt, Morrison & Co., Ltd., and retired from the company.

Judge McLeod presided at the May session of York equity court, which opened this morning. The following common motions were made:

Richard B. Ketchum and wife v. Geo. M. Bull et al.—Geo. W. Allen moves to confirm report of referee on sale under an order for partition and sale; ordered accordingly.

The hearing was then begun in the suit of William B. Price v. John Macpherson, in which the plaintiff prays for permission to redeem certain land conveyed to him, it is alleged, as security for repayment of a loan, and an account of all sums of money received by defendant on account of said loan. F. St. John Bliss and J. H. Barry for plaintiff; C. E. Duffy for defendant; still before the court.

NEWCASTLE, May 4.—A very interesting and instructive lecture was delivered to a good audience last night in the Masonic hall by Judge Wedderburn, supreme councillor and high chief ranger of New Brunswick. His honor is a pleasant speaker, and his subject in his usual able and fluent style. Geo. Mesereau made a short speech, as did also the Hon. John P. Burchill, who acted as chairman of the meeting. At the close

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As unanimous vote of thanks was tendered his honor.

The remains of Wm. Dikson of Napan reached here on the way to that place this morning. The deceased, who was employed with D. & J. Ritchie & Co. on their drive on the north branch of the Renou river, was stung on a jam yesterday and drowned.

CITY NEWS.

The Hartland Advertiser has taken another forward step. It is issued now as a tri-weekly.

Isaac Burpee of St. John was one of the speakers and Mr. Kerr of St. John gave a recitation at an "at home" given by the St. Andrew's society of Vancouver on April 28th.

Major C. A. Andrews of Mahone Bay, N. S., and Lieut. W. P. Hewitt of Lunenburg have come to Fredericton to take a course of instruction at the Military school.

The death occurred at Rustlagornish on Sunday night of Amanda Jane, widow of the late Fred Adams, in the 59th year of her age. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. A. Nason—Gleaner.

Mr. Russell of Newcastle, who has spent the last three months in British Columbia, informed the Campbellton Enterprise that times were not nearly as good there as reported, and would advise anyone assessing a situation here to stay here.

The Stevens Lumber company drives on Foley brook and Little Salmon river are out and the big drive on Main Salmon is coming along nicely. They have in all 3,100,000 of logs, 500,000 on Main Salmon and on the brooks 2,600,000—Amherst Press.

Dr. N. Arthur Hanson, formerly of this city, has been elected