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## THE TEST OF EDUCATION.

At the present time religion, politics, economics, education and all problems pertaining to and affecting human relations are being subjected to the closest critical analysis. Old values, which have long been tacitly accepted as indisputable and established for all time, have now to stand the test of fearless criticism or be thrown into the discard. New standards of thought and conduct are unfolding themselves in keeping with the march of scientific progress. Not only the select few, the intellectuals, but to a far greater extent than ever before the more ordinary, everyday people are thinking seriously for themselves, no longer content to believe or follow without knowing why. The more general this critical tendency becomes, the greater the number of individuals who develop independence in thought, the more rapidly the world will progress towards harmony and sane rationalism. Nothing should be taken for granted. It must either show itself to be compatible with educational advance or be revised or completely rejected.

It is, of course, the present widespread facilities for acquiring knowledge that is responsible for this readiness to put old customs and traditions to the test and education itself is one of the most widely discussed problems today. Grave doubts have arisen in the countries, where huge sums have been expended to bring opportunities for learning within the reach of all, as to whether they are bending their efforts in the right direction and are getting the best possible return for their investment. Not that education, provided it turns out better citizens—and it is doing that—can be measured in terms of money, but it is none the less true that costs in this, as in all things, have to be balanced against the results achieved. All waste must be ruthlessly eliminated as the time expended in lifting youth for the battle of life is precious and can never be recalled. What is learned during the period of preparation is so much capital, which should be made to pay the highest possible interest in the years ahead.

The fund of knowledge is so vast that it is necessary to exercise the utmost care in selecting the treasures that will be of lasting benefit. Much praise has been bestowed on the cultural effect of the ancient classics. These languages are still an integral part of the curricula of schools and colleges. Can it be said that the average student gets a fair return for the effort expended in acquiring a smattering of a subject, which usually is afterwards neglected and for all practical purposes forgotten? Greek and Latin are only of value to and should only be begun by those who intend to study them until a high standard has been reached. To such students only is the beauty of the classics revealed. The culture acquired in laboriously reading Virgil or Homer with the aid of a dictionary or crib is so negligible that it might well be dispensed with altogether.

The aim of an educational system is or should be to fit people for active and fuller participation in the scheme of collective human effort, to find for each his proper place and train him to fill it well. Moral worth, the stimulating of creative ability and the desire for further knowledge for its own sake is the goal to keep constantly in view. That is the only standard by which its success can be measured.

Toronto Globe: United States ignorance of Canadian affairs is often amusing. Even in a city as close to the border as Buffalo a newspaper tells its readers that "W. L. Mackenzie, Canadian Prime Minister, had the fight of his life for re-election through the opposition Arthur Meighen, backed by the support of sixty-five united Liberals in Parliament."

An English musician has invented a portable piano, only three feet in length. The installment man would of course in every instance be expected to supply his own handle and carrying case.

Hiram Maxim, off for England to drink ale and stout and plenty of it, says we will have to invent a new human race if prohibition is enforced. What prohibitionists now favor is a Maxim silencer.

Criticism of the Locarno security treaty by Lloyd George and Ramsay MacDonald in the British House of Commons seems largely based on belief that criticism of a sort was expected of them.

A Danish dairyman is putting radio sets into his barns because good music has a salutary effect on cows. Blues, the supposition is, produce that kind of milk.

Olga Petrova has been ordered to pay a dramatist \$7,500 for a play she is alleged to have adopted without permission. The question now arises, who will sue the dramatist?

On the other hand, when Shakespeare is completely modernized there should be no difficulty about finding a Rosalind, the flapper who wore boy's duds.

Constantinople dispatch sets forth that when a Stamboul teacher sat on a tack he kept his seat, but suspended the entire class. One surmises that the old joke has lost its point.

A French aviator ascended to an altitude of three miles in a plane containing four tons of freight, but couldn't find the consignee.

## THROUGH OUR SIEVE

They've never found a better cure for the divorce evil than good pumpkin pie.

There are many methods for reducing but still the fat woman is far from extinct.

Talk about modesty! It begins when boys put on long trousers to cover up their garters.

The end of a perfect day to some of us in when the clock signals the time to reach for hat and coat.

It's easier to be a pessimist than an optimist. That why all long distance weather prophets predict hard winters.

One of the best ways to see something funny without buying a ticket is to look in the mirror now and then.

We ought to know when winter comes—that's when they start cutting up petticoats for automobile radiator covers.

Maybe we're cramped in style and crowded in flats, but whenever success goes to the head there's nothing but room.

Probably a physician upon introducing a newly born baby into the world, says to himself, "I wonder when I'll get an excuse to remove its tonsils."

## DEATH OF W. J. SOUTHERN.

Native of England—For Many Years Agent for Crystal Stream S. S. Company Here.

William James Southern died this morning at his home 204 Regent street. He was a son of the late George M. Southern of England and in early life was Her Majesty's Inspector of Mines for Northumberland and Durham, England. He was a great-grandson of Sir Cuthbert and Lady Heron of Chipchase Castle, Northumberland, England.

The deceased is survived by his widow, one brother P. E. Southern of England and one sister Miss Southern also residing in England.

The funeral will take place Friday afternoon leaving the house at 2.30 Service will be conducted at Christchurch Cathedral. Interment will be made at the Church of England cemetery in Lower St. Mary's.

## Death Of Child.

R. J. Wesley Fraser aged seven months, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fraser, 279 Brunswick street, died last night. The funeral took place this afternoon, Rev. M. H. Holmes conducting the service.

## DIED

SOUTHERN—At his home 204 Regent street, Fredericton, William James Southern, after a long illness. Funeral Friday afternoon leaving home at 2.30. Service at Christchurch Cathedral. Interment at Lower St. Mary's.

## PUBLIC OPINION

### ROAD TO BEAVER DAM.

The Editor of The Mail,  
Dear Sir—Mr. Donald Mersereau of Ruhsigomish while driving his car to Beaver Dam on Nov. 20, stalled in the mud when only half way there. Owing to the depth of the mud he was compelled to go go back home and to his amazement, he was unable neither to go ahead nor turn his car so he had to back his car to what is called the "Grieves Road" before he could turn, which was a distance of one and one half miles.

In an interview he said that "Shanks Mare" was the only sure way of locomotion on that road for the rest of the season.

Yours truly  
WM. CURRIE.  
Fredericton, N. B., Nov. 24, 1925

## GREAT LOVE FOR MASTER SHOWN BY DACHSHUND

Berlin, Nov. 26—A touching and unusual case of canine fidelity has come to light at Andernach, on the Rhine, near Coblenz, in the territory occupied by American troops after the armistice. A female dachshund, for many years owned by a crippled former soldier living at Engers, on the opposite side of the Rhine, was sold under economic pressure to a dog fancier living at Andernach. She had hardly been installed in her new home when the dachshund gave birth to seven pups.

So great was her devotion to her former master and her eagerness to show him her offspring that she made seven trips, swimming across the Rhine each time with a puppy in her mouth. The end of the thirteenth crossing found her so exhausted that a veterinary surgeon was compelled to administer stimulants to resuscitate her.

The new master, at Andernach, was so deeply touched by the dachshund's loyalty that he revoked the sale and gave her back to her soldier-owner.

When a wife, after much difficulty, persuades her husband to go to a dance and he enjoys himself she begins to doubt her wisdom.

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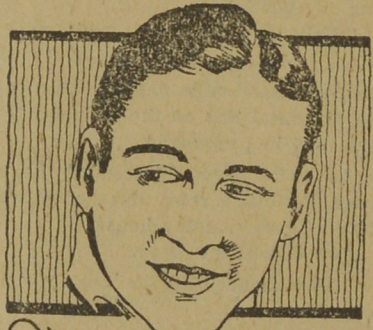
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