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PRACTICAL EDUCATION

A Chicago despatch says that American institutions of learning, both non-sectarian and Roman Catholic, are tending more and more toward the practical in education. That the trend is away from the old standards of classical education and is distinctly, and in increasing measure, towards courses of education which will aid directly in the practical battle of life is the belief of Rev. John Cavanaugh, president of Notre Dame University at Notre Dame, Ind., one of the most widely known Roman Catholic educators of the entire middle west. The following are extracts from an interview with President Cavanaugh:

"The tendency toward technical education seems to be the most interesting phase of our development just now. For forty years Notre Dame has been the only college of its kind that afforded engineering courses, for example. Now I find that schools in the east and in the west are organizing technical courses. I believe that nothing except the expense of providing them prevents all our colleges from taking up the engineering and the other technical courses. The equipment for the old classical studies was so simple as to be within the resources of all the schools. Nothing was required except learned teachers and a reasonably good library. We have always had a great supply of learned and successful teachers of the classics and naturally the work of most of our colleges lay in the field of old classic culture.

"The very old American families still keep up the tradition of classic scholarship brought over from European countries. Very many of them, at least, still feel that it is incumbent upon a gentleman to enter into his inheritance as heir to the ancient culture. But apart from a small section of our American people, there is no enthusiasm for gentle studies.

"The question which nearly every American father asks is, 'What course of studies will prove most remunerative to my boy?' Naturally the boy takes the same point of view. Now it is a well-known fact that when a young man finishes a course in classics, for example, he has still in most cases to solve the problem, 'How am I to make a living?'

"The careers for which the old arts course prepared a man are very generally careers that do not invite young Americans. On the other hand, our engineers are usually engaged by the railroads and constructive companies before they have received their diplomas. Last year I went through our whole graduating class in civil engineering in the hope of securing the services of an assistant professor and in every case I found that a month after their graduation they were earning more money than we could afford to pay them as teachers."

TEMPERANCE REPORT

The report on temperance submitted to the Baptist convention will be read with very great interest. It shows how great has been the growth of temperance sentiment and legislation within the last few years. Of interest in the same connection is the report that will be submitted to the Anglican synod of Canada which meets in Ottawa the first of September. This report reviews liquor legislation that has since the past general synod been enacted in Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Quebec and other provinces. Until such time as the bar is abolished the committee recommends the following to the general synod:

(a) "That the license commissioners should be interviewed in every municipality and the request urged that 'Windows should be uncurtained and all obstructions removed which would prevent persons seeing into the bar from the outside at all hours of sale.'

(b) "That wherever it is not now the case, it should be made illegal for minors to enter a bar where intoxicants are sold."

(c) "That the principle of local option be extended to include the shortening of the hours of sale in those places where local option, in its full meaning, has not yet been obtained."

(d) "That full advantage should be taken, when practicable, of the adoption and

putting in force of local option under the present license law."

After making these recommendations the committee report continues:

"Your committee recognizes the difficulties which beset the enforcement of any system for the control of the liquor traffic and are not surprised to find that breaches of the law continually arise, but when local option is in force they are confident that the younger generation growing up without the inducement of the bar, and the changed sentiment regarding the use of intoxicants in the family will prove immense factors in the promotion of temperance habits. One of the greatest evils in connection with the use of intoxicants is the treating habit. To eradicate this evil should be the aim of every man. Your committee looks forward to the day when those who feel at liberty to use intoxicants themselves will at least make the rule never to treat or accept a treat to intoxicating liquors."

"Your committee recognizes that there is a sentiment in favor of abolishing the bar and placing the residue of the traffic under government ownership to be sold in shops in small sealed packets, to be consumed off the premises. They are of opinion that there would be greater safety if under government ownership refreshment places were opened to a limited number, according to population, in cities and towns where intoxicants could be obtained by the glass, but where non-intoxicating liquors would be made the chief feature. In such places the salesman and salesmen would receive no profit from the sale of intoxicants, but in addition to a fixed salary would receive a commission on the sale of non-intoxicating drinks. Further restrictions could be placed on the sale of intoxicants as there would be no inducement to the salesman to increase their sale. Under such a system as this the treating habit could be much more easily dealt with, so also the sale to minors, the adulteration of liquors, the sale to persons who are unable to drink with moderation, etc., while the existence of such places would do away with the necessity of taking liquor home for consumption on the part of those desiring to use intoxicants."

Very Rev. Dean Farthing, M. A., D. C.L., of Kingston, Ont., does not exactly agree with the suggestion that bars should be under government control for he signs the following minority report:

"While agreeing in the main with the report of the Temperance committee, I cannot agree with the recommendation that bars should be under government control. In my opinion every man desiring liquor should be able legally to get it, intoxicants should be sold in sealed packages, all sales should be under strict government control, but all bars and public drinking places should be abolished absolutely."

The Montreal Witness, in its financial review, says: "The business situation throughout Canada during the past week may be summed up as one of suspense. All interest is centred in the wheat crop. All eyes are turned towards the west. Climatic conditions have been favorable so far to a successful harvest, and indications continue to point to the Dominion enjoying a greater crop this season than has so far marked her progress and development along agricultural lines. In the industrial world the general outlook for more active conditions is promising. Numbers of mills and factories in all parts of Canada continue to run on short time, but the good news comes to hand every now and then of renewed orders for all staple goods and of good reason to expect that, within the next month or two, full operations will again be in progress."

On the subject of surpluses the Financial World observes: "Some of the surpluses which appear on the balance sheets of our corporations are nothing like what they should be. They don't represent contingency funds set aside for rainy days. They represent a bookkeeping trick probably to balance with the deficit to retain the good opinion of the shareholders. For a long time they have been considered jokes. Now they are considered insults to the intelligence of a well-informed and truth-loving public. Surpluses, to inspire confidence, will have to be itemized to show what they are composed of."

One advantage of the plentitude of labor this summer, says the Ottawa Citizen, has been that the contractors on the Transcontinental Canadian Northern, and other railways, have been able to push on with great success. Last year the work was much retarded and not a few of the contractors went broke owing to the scarcity and high price of labor.

ON A SERIOUS CHARGE

Blair Le Blanc, of Penobscia, a former constable, hired a horse and carriage from a hotel man at that place and traded the horse on Saturday to S. T. Golding, a livery stable owner on Prince street, receiving another equine and \$40. John Scott, the owner of the rig, requested the local police to locate his property, and they eventually found the horse reposing in Golding's stable. On the strength of information received from the St. John police, LeBlanc was arrested in Moncton on Saturday afternoon.

The Sheet Metal Workers' Union held a very enjoyable picnic on the Log Cabin Fishing Club grounds at Loch Lomond, Saturday. It was their second annual outing.

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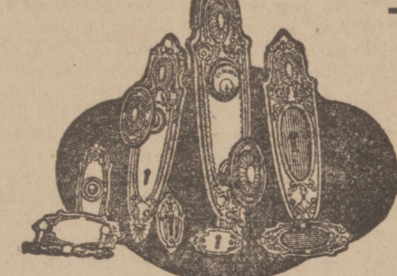
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To the people of place and power
Who govern and guide the hour
To the people who write and teach,
Ruling our thought and speech,
And all the Captains and Kings
Who command the making of things—
Give me the good ye know
That I, the Child, may grow!
Light, for the whole day long,
Food that is pure and strong,
Housing and clothing fair,
Clear water and clean air,
Teaching from day to day,
And room—for a child to play!

Then the Wise made answer cold:
"These things are not given, but sold.
They shall be yours today
If you can pay."

"Pay!" said the Child, "Pay you?
What can I do?
Only in years' slow length
Shall I have strength
I have not power nor skill,
Wisdom nor wit nor will—
What shall I do and do
Can you ask of a little child?"

But the Wise made answer bold:
"Goods must be bought and sold;
You shall have nothing here
Without paying—paying dear!"
And the Rulers turned away,
But the Child cried on them: "Stay!
Wait! I will pay!"

"For the foulness where I live,
Fifth in return I give.
For the greed that yitholds my right,
Greed that shall shake your might
For the sin I live in and learn,
Plentiful sin I return.
For my lack in home and school,
Ignorance comes to rule.
From where I sicken and die,
Disease in your homes shall lie,
My all uncounted death
Shall choke your children's breath,
Degenerate—crippled—base
I degrade the human race;
And the people you have made—
These shall make you afraid!

I ask no more. I take
The terms you make;
And steadily, day by day,
—Charlotte Perkins Gilman in The Public

IN LIGHTER VEIN

A CONCLUSIVE REASON.

"Not going on a straw ride?"
"No."
"Why not?"
"I went on a straw ride once."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A HARD TASK

Stella—Can you dress within your income?
Bella—"Yes, but it is like dressing within a berth in a sleeping car."—Harper's Bazar.

MAKING A PITCHER.

First Fan—"Why does the manager feed that player on fat drops?"
Second Fan—"Maybe he wants to make him pitch."—Philadelphia Record.

TEMPTING FATE.

Ever notice how a small boy delights in standing under a big safe that is being hoisted to the top story of a high building?—Chicago News.

HOW TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY

"Don't you realize that nobody takes you seriously as a candidate for the office of sheriff?"
"Sure, I realize it," answered Farmer Corntassel. "That's the reason I'm going to see it through. I'm beginning to think that a man nowadays can't get took serious as a candidate for office until he's been defeated a lot of times."—Washington Star.

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—John Kendrick Banger, in Harper's Weekly.

HER WISH.

(Philadelphia Post.)
A Baltimore man tells of receiving a unique note acknowledging a wedding present sent by him on the occasion of the marriage of his chum.
"Your lovely etching was received," wrote the bride, "and gives us both pleasure. It is now in the parlor hanging above the piano, where we hope to see you very soon, and as often as you find it agreeable."

READY FOR THE DOLLAR.

(The Delicater.)

Marjorie, aged nine, had not been having very satisfactory reports from school. Her father finally said: "Marjorie, for the first hundred you get I'll give you a dollar." Time went on and the reward could not be claimed. One day the child was taken violently ill. Her mother sent for the doctor. When he had gone, Marjorie said: "Mama, am I very ill?"
"No, dear, your temperature is a little over a hundred, but the doctor thinks you will be all right in a day or so."
Smiles broke through Marjorie's tears.
"Now, mama, I can have my dollar. Papa said he would give it to me if I could get a hundred in anything."

SEPTEMBER ROD AND GUN

Duck shooting has a mighty fascination in September, and Rod and Gun and Motor Sports in Canada, published by W. J. Taylor, Woodstock, Ont., deals in a generous manner with the duck hunter in its September issue. Eastern, Central and Western Canada contributes duck hunting stories, and the differences in the conditions under which the sport is pursued in various parts of the country are well brought out. Every duck hunter will sympathize with the work of the Brandon people in making a collection of the native wild fowl and trust their example will be followed in various parts of the Dominion. Fishing and big game, hunting expeditions and accounts of the adventures of a chain-man in "Helping to Make a Railway," and the story of "The Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron" are articles to which particular attention may be directed. The story of "The Alpine Club's Third Annual Camp" is told in an article by a special representative and care is taken that those interested in outdoor life in any of its phases are not neglected.

FACTORY INSPECTION

Factory Inspector John McMullin returned Saturday after a week's trip, during which he visited Newcastle, Chatham, Buctouche, Rexton, Richbucto, Moncton and other places. He found all the mills working except the pulp mill at Chatham. All the lumbermen reported the market depressed. On the north shore Mr. McMullin met James Beveridge, formerly of this city, who is building a pulp mill. He was much pleased with the timber estate recently started by H. H. Dryden at Sussex. There were some things yet to be done in the Moncton Cotton Mills before the inspector would be perfectly satisfied.

THE MARITIME BOARD

W. E. Foster, president of the St. John Board of Trade, and James Pender, who were among the delegates to the Maritime Board meeting in Halifax, returned home Saturday. They expressed the view that the resolution favoring the C. P. R. being given running rights over the I. C. R. to Halifax should not have been brought up at this meeting. However, Halifax has forced the question to a vote, and there was considerable feeling in the matter. They did not think, as he had been stated by one New Brunswick member, that the meeting had been packed by the Halifax members.

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