

EDUCATIONAL.

Column is devoted especially for the Teachers of Wilson County.

The Aim of Education.

The world of thought, as of matter, is one and spherical. Each is a part of all. Nothing unrelated is of truth. Truth separated from its fellow truth or place in wrong relation becomes untruth. The life of the individual cannot be considered apart from its environment. Education fitting the child for his place in the universe; hence its aim is to enable each individual to make the most of himself for himself and for humanity. It is to so cultivate his potentialities as to make him adaptable to any environment and to develop both the purpose and the power to be the most useful possible in it.

If this is the aim of education, its method should be to present to the child his environment, social and physical, as nearly as possible in the relations in which it will present itself in later years. No unrelated or fact should be presented to him for the exercise of his faculties, but everything should be in its proper place as related to everything else, and especially to him. There should be a perfectly clear conception of the division of the subject matter of the curriculum into content and form; a distinction not artificial but natural according to which the content is to be considered in his environment of nature, and whose form includes the various arts and means of expression through which man and a future manifest themselves to man.—Gilbert.

Country Schools.

James H. Blodgett, is speaking of the possible improvement in the rural schools, says the following: "But rural communities and ungraded schools offer advantages that in a measure compensate for small salaries, and able, ambitious teachers will do well to accept the conditions for a year at least. The scenery and air of the hill towns, the home life of the people, the variety of subjects to be taught, the independent thinking and doing required to manage a school with little or no help from committees, develop power most valuable for future use in the school room."

Educational Value.

By the educational value of a subject, I mean its efficacy in promoting the realization of the aim of education. The aim of education is to prepare for complete living. To live complete means to be as useful as possible and to be happy. By usefulness is meant service, i. e., any activity which promotes the material or the spiritual interests of mankind, one or both."

Important aims of education must therefore be to subject the pupil to the influence of social and ethical members to render him responsive to the varied interests of life, and, as he grows older, to discover what his permanent interests and capacities really are. These aims can only be promoted by a wise use of the course of study. Before we can make such a use of the course of study we must examine the different subjects of instruction in order to ascertain, if possible, (1) the characteristic incentive and (2) the kind or kinds of power, which under good teaching (instruction and discipline) the several subjects may develop.—Hanus.

A Teacher's Influence.

"In his boyhood Whittier had scant instruction, for the district school was open a few weeks in the winter, and its teachers were rarely competent. He had but few books, for there were scarcely thirty in the house, mostly day disquisition on theology. The one book he could read and read again and again until he had it by heart was the Bible; and the Bible was always the book which exerted the strongest literary influence upon him.

But when he was fourteen a teacher

er came who liked him, this teacher who brought to the Whittiers one evening a volume of Burns and read aloud some of the poems, after explaining the Scotch dialect. Whittier begged the loan of the book, which contained almost the first rimes he had ever read. It was this volume of Burns which set Whittier to making verses himself, serving both as motive and the model of his earlier poet effort.

A Successful Teacher.

Prof. W. J. Dale begins his school at Hopewell, Wilson County, N. C., on Monday, September 14th. Prof. Dale is one of the best equipped and most successful teachers in the county. He has succeeded in building up a flourishing school, and deserves the hearty cooperation of his patrons. We wish him a successful year.

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RELIGIOUS.

A Farewell.

My fairest child, I have no song to give you; No lark could pipe to skies so dull and gray; Yet ere we part, one lesson I can leave you.

For every day, I'll teach you how to sing a clearer carol

Than larks, who hail the dawn o'er breezy down,

To earn yourself a purer poet's laurel Than Shakespeare's crown.

Be good, sweet maid, and let who can be clever;

Do noble things, not dream them all day long;

And so make Life, Death and that vast For-ever

One grand, sweet song.

—Charles Kingsley.

The Unsociable Milestones.

(A Fable)

Strang along a highway stood Twenty milestones, made of wood.

Undisturbed by storm or weather; And the jokers said their say,

As they passed along the way: "How unsociable are they—

Milestones never get together."

But the milestones cared not whether It were worst or it were best—

Undisturbed by jeer or jest,

Two were never seen together.

Duty made them what they were, And they did not care to stir.

MORAL.

Men there are whose work, whose place

Is, the milestones, to mark out Both the distance and the route;

Both the destiny and way. In the progress of the race,

If they mingle with the throng That moves thoughtlessly along,

Then their duty they betray. Lonesome, very lonesome they;

But, unmoved by hope or fear, Undisturbed by jest or jeer,

There their duty—and they stay.

For all who are troubled over the mysteries of the Christian faith Daniel Webster's pertinent reply to his interrogator may come with convincing force. "Can you understand the twofold nature of Christ?" he was asked. "No," was the reply. "I should be ashamed to acknowledge him as my Saviour if I could understand him. I need a superhuman Saviour—one so great and glorious that I cannot comprehend him."

To obtain perfection it is not necessary to do singular things, but to do common things singularly well—Francis De Sales.

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POLITICAL NOTES.

Ex Governor Francis of Missouri, successor to Hoke Smith as Secretary of the Interior has been sworn in.

The following State elections have been held: Alabama, (Dem) 40,000; Vermont, (Rep) 37,000; Arkansas, (Dem) 60,000.

The gold headquarters will be in Chicago. Generals Palmers and Buckner the nominees of the party will set back and see the best interests murdered by those who claim to be friends.

The News and Observer, says of two electoral tickets in the State, "this is what Mark Hanna and Teler Pritchard are endeavoring to secure. They will not be accommodated if the advocates of silver are not ideats and traitors."

The Washington correspondent of the New York Journal says that the mixedup condition of politics in North Carolina has caused Mark Hanna to lay aside a quarter of a million dollars to buy the State for McKinley. The correspondent truly says:

"But North Carolinians, though poor, are proud of their independence, and are apt to resent signs of corruption at the polls in an effective and extremely disagreeable way."

The Lockwood Sentinel, one of the leading Republican papers of Southwest Missouri, and the foremost Republican paper in Dade county, is out in a strong editorial repudiating the St. Louis platform, and declaring for Bryan and free silver. The McKinley club of this place had the Sentinel head their list of members, and now have no head left—nothing but a tail. Last night at the Bryan club meeting, when the announcement was made that the county had come out for free silver, the cheers were deafening.

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PROFITABLE FARMING.

I suppose the reader will answer at once, there is none. And this opinion I do not share. There is much depression among the farmers. There is a steady movement away from the farms into the towns. And there are a large number of mortgages upon farms. "Everything in Florida is mortgaged," said a person to me. This is not true of North Carolina. But it is true that our farmers are out of heart. And the cause of this is that the farmer is not prosperous. Why is this?

I have not lost my faith in the farm. I still believe there is pleasure and profit in the farm. Homer sang of the beauty of the waving fields of grain. And to me these fields have not lost their charms.

With this faith in the farm I have recently made a trip along the Southern Railway from Raleigh to Athens, Tennessee, for the purpose of seeing the facts for myself. And now I propose to report upon one or two farms. The first is that of Mr. J. W. Harrison, Mill Bridge, Rowan Co., N. C. In this farm there are 225 acres under tillage. This land when bought by Mr. Harrison was called worn out. And he undertook the work with small capital. Last year the sales from this farm amounted to \$4,100. The expenses were a little less than half this sum—about \$1,950. The crops are corn, peas, wheat and clover. 400 tons of corn ensilage were

gathered from 17 acres last year. 4,000 bushels of corn from 100 acres. 900 bushels of wheat were sold. \$1,200 worth of cattle were sold. \$1,400 worth of butter and \$300 worth of pork were sold.

How was this done? Mr. Harrison has a few working principles.

First. He keeps an accurate account of everything.

Second. He never asks of his land the same crop two years in succession.

Third. He feeds the product of the farm to stock.

Fourth. The manure from this stock is gathered every day and put under shelter.

Fifth. He studies farming and reads the best agricultural papers.

After careful observation, I thought Mr. Harrison's success would come under the above analysis. And I commend them to the reader. Mr. Harrison believes in the Jersey cow. He has a grand herd of Jerseys. With one exception his herd looked as if they were all made after one pattern, and this is the case. Mr. Harrison has his own idea of what a Jersey cow should do at the pail and how she should look. And he has applied this idea persistently. The result is simply great. I went to the barn again and again to study the type and the individual.

Mr. Harrison says the money is in buying good stock. He has a magnificent French Coach stallion, and he gets \$100 for a colt. Small Yorkshire hogs are bred.

Mr. Harrison has seven children, a good bank account, a rich farm, and a happy home. One of his sons is now a Senior at Davidson College.

Here was an illustration of my faith in the old farm. I dwell upon it with pleasure and my hope for our State feeds upon it. What Mr. Harrison has done, other men can do. Let a few of our young men of brains pluck and common sense remain in the country. The country needs them. And there is now opportunity for achievement, opportunity for gratifying ambition in the country.

H. H. WILLIAMS.

Chapel Hill, N. C.

SCRATCH AND SCREAM

My baby broke out with a rash. He would scratch and scream. It would take two to hold him, and one to put medicine on him. We had to hold him sometimes an hour before we could get him quiet & down. All said that they never saw such a face or body on any baby as on him. I had to tie his hands tight in a cloth, night and day, for five months. My sister had used CUTICURA, and I began to use it. After only one application, he lay down and slept as he had not for a month, poor little fellow. He has not a scar on him now, and is as fat and his flesh is as soft as any baby. While he had this disease I had to cut the sleeves out of his clothes, and put gauze underwear on him to keep him cool. I had to keep pieces of soft cloth around his neck, it was so wet with moisture from the sores, and I had to change the cloths sometimes ten or twelve times a day. Mrs. A. HAYNES, Lisbon, N. D. Suggests CUTICURA for Baby Rashes—Warm baths with CUTICURA SOAP and gentle applications of CUTICURA ointment, the great skin cure. Sold throughout the world. FORTGE DRUGS AND CHEM. CORP., Sole Props, Boston, U. S. A.

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A Bad Art Of Big Hotels. The large hotels of the larger cities are a tremendous power for evil; where they might be missionaries for all that is good in art. The nouveaux riches from the smaller cities, and the well-to-do of the larger towns, coming to the metropolis, put up at the widest famed hostelry and accept as the gospel of best taste—"art," they call it—whatever manifestations of apocryphal judgment they see there. A massive pile of architectural ginger bread is the exterior to an interior of equally meaningless frippery. Gaudy ceilings, beds and chairs groaning with embellishments, dining rooms of riotous design, offices of divers marbles and over-much gilt, parlors of oppressive elegance—these are set up at once as the ideals of beauty, the summit of good art. When the pilgrim goes back home he carries perverted standards that will prove a huge impediment to the judgment of many a later generation.—From the "Field of Art," in September Scribner's.

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