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PRESENTING NEWS AND VIEWS OF INTEREST TO TEACHERS AND ALL OTHERS SEEKING IMPROVEMENT IN EDUCATION

CURRENT AFFAIRS

Eire's Neutrality. Eire has reaffirmed her neutrality and de Valera has declared that she will defend herself against any attacker.

We may recall at this time that, on April 25, 1938, Mr. de Valera and other Eire ministers signed an agreement whereby, among other things, the United Kingdom foregoes any power or authority over the ports of Eire. The Navy cannot, therefore, use any of these ports as bases.

The ports in question are those that British and American ships need so badly at the present time in order to win the Battle of the Atlantic.

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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Hong Kong. The great trade centre of Southern China is Canton. So important is the trade of this region that three European countries have secured valuable concessions at the mouth of the Canton River, which is really the estuary of the Si-Kiang River, which extends inland to Canton, a matter of ninety miles.

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THE TEACHING OF ENGLISH

English, although the most commonly used of all the subjects on the school curriculum, is perhaps the most difficult one to teach. This is due to the fact that the children have already learned English of a sort before coming to school. We can understand then that we must understand much before we read the study of the subject is recommended. Many wrong ideas

which, along with Solum, is situated on the Egyptian-Libyan frontier and near the coast, include dug-outs, pillboxes, and concrete gun emplacements. The destruction of the Solum-Halfaya area has removed completely Axis resistance from the Eastern Libya.

The British have driven far into Libya, capturing Fort Capuzzo, Baria, Sidi Rezegh, Gambut, Tokruk, El Gazala, Derna, Bomba, Bengasi, and Agadabia. The next major objective is Tripoli, which is now being bombed by the British Air Force. At present the Axis forces are entrenched in a series of hills around El Agheila, which is on the Gulf of Gatt, and on the road to Tripoli.

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possible for him to understand properly an arithmetic problem, or Geography, or any other subject he may read.

For practical purposes, so far as the public school is concerned, we may consider English as having grammar, syntax, and formal grammar. Briefly speaking, language is the sort of speaking correctly, while for the grammarian it is the science of enabling one to know the way and 'wherefore' of this correct speech.

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of this term might here be given, but probably all these might be summoned up in the following. Literature is the record of the best that the human mind has ever produced, and it is the expression of man's soul in terms of life and beauty.

To read out the meaning of a book to interpret literature as it is in turn, merely to be considered the ultimate aim of teaching English. No teacher has succeeded in teaching literature until he or she has instilled into the pupil's mind a keen love for good reading.

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That Unfortunate Year 800

In Alfred Rosenberg's thirty-point programme for a new National Reich Church, occur these words: "(5) The National Reich Church is immutably fixed in its one objective: to destroy that Christian belief imported into Germany in the unfortunate year 800, by which tenets conflict with both the heart and mentality of the German."

No time need be wasted on the programme itself, for the whole some will be enough, in God's good time; but readers may (very naturally) have some curiosity as to why the year 800 is set down as unfortunate.

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homage of the Saxon warriors, thousands of whom submitted to be baptized.

Charlemagne now crossed the Pyrenees into Spain and received the submission of a great part of that country; but on his return his rear-guard was ambushed by the mountaineers at the pass of Roncevaux, (778). The death of their leader Roland, and the overthrow of the Franks, gave rise to countless themes of song and romance.

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To Those Convalescing After Severe Illness

After many severe illnesses or serious operations the patient is very often left in an extremely weak, nervous, run-down condition.

To all those convalescents who need some kind of a tonic to stimulate and build up the weakened system, we would recommend Milburn's Health and Nerve Pills to assist them back to health—happily again.

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W. C. T. U. NOTES

A FRESH BEGINNING. We have had good-bye to the year that's past. The dear, dead days that have been so fleeting.

Through sunshine and shadow they went, the wonder of dawn and dusk repeating. There were days of darkness and days of dream.

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Drive out ACHES. MUST RUB IN MINARD'S "KING OF PAIN".