

EDUCATIONAL COLUMN

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SUGGESTS.

1. Most things come to those who hustle while they wait.
2. There are two reasons why some people fail to mind their own business; one is they haven't any business, and the other is they haven't any mind.
3. The geographer of all men should be worldly wise.
4. The first public school was founded by August Herman Francke. The old town of Halle, Germany, in August, 1899, celebrated the 200th anniversary of the event.
5. While we write from left to right, the Japanese write from right to left, and instead of writing in horizontal lines, they make perpendicular ones. A Japanese book begins where ours ends.
6. Excellence is the prize given as reward for labor.
7. Ambition without pluck and energy is a useless possession.
8. Unless a teacher has self-respect he cannot command the respect of his pupils.
9. The girls of Pretoria, South Africa, were last summer invited to compete for an appointment worth \$4,000 a year. The post is that of professor of mining in the state girls' school. The fact that a woman is filling such a place is remarkable, but no more so than there that should be any professor of mining in a girl's school anyway.
10. You may gain knowledge by reading, but you must separate the wheat from the chaff by thinking.
11. Some people go through life looking as if they were sorry they had ever started.
12. Knowledge is power only to the individual who knows he doesn't know it all.
13. Siamese school children are probably the best behaved in the world. Not merely corporal punishment, but even the use of hard words towards them, is unknown.
14. It's easy to wish for a thing, but it's another thing to get what you wish for. It is one thing to wish for a supplement, another thing to get it. The giving of it means the price of a fig of tobacco or a glass of whiskey out of each ratenayer's pocket.
15. The Mexico school children are allowed to smoke in school hours when their lessons are well prepared. How many unprepared lessons would we encounter if such a privilege were allowed in our schools?
16. St. Louis is reported to have a private school for females in which the place of honor in every class is at the foot. The reason is obvious.
17. Enthusiasm sets the pace, but patience always wins the race.
18. Some teachers say a great deal, but talk very little.
19. The gossip in a home decreases as the library increases. Encourage reading in the home.
20. The eighth wonder of the world is a teacher who in his work can please everybody in the school district.
21. Teachers, remember that the rule

of five is usually more effective than the rule of eight.

22. Time and patience will enable a teacher to conquer almost any obstacles.

PARENTAL NEGLECT.

For some years past statistics as to the defective sight of school children, revealed by official testing, have formed the subject of many expostulations, addressed to parents. Another examination of children, restricted this time to children averaging 12 years, discloses the fact that the tenth of 85 per cent. of the children are in such a deplorable condition that they require immediate and extensive operations in the country. Parents throughout the world appear to be gradually being convicted of thorough going unfitness for their responsible position—50 per cent of children dying under five years of age; defective eyesight in a large majority of those who survive; only 15 per cent with sound teeth. As the examining boards proceed with their work, and make known the results, what a ghastly showing parental ignorance and neglect promises to make if the latter findings are of a similar complexion to the initial ones! And, also, there is no prospect that the percentages of the sound will be increased, for the profession containing the greatest number of ignoramuses is that of parents.

EXAMINATIONS.

The following paragraphs are taken from a paper on the "Relation of outside examinations to school organizations," read before the last Convention of Quebec Teachers by Rev. E. I. Rexford:

Examination is a prominent feature of education today, yet some of the strongest educators condemn examinations without reserve, when used for the purpose of promotion. Indeed for promotion the examination system is defective and pernicious, and yet it is the basis on which certificates of standing are granted. The primary object in examinations is to test the teacher's work, but the best general examination tests paid little attention to the peculiarities of the individuals of this class. The main object in all true teaching was not the acquiring of facts, but the development of the mental powers, cultivation of the tastes, the formation of character; and these were outside the ordinary examinations. Again the nervous strain involved on examinations was serious for both teacher and pupils. The pupils spent several weeks of hard cramming before, and the teacher spent weeks of hard examining after the examinations. Then there was always the temptation on the part of the pupil to use unfair means of acquiring information, which led to dishonesty.

A definite object to be obtained should be submitted to each grade, and if the questions of the examination were wisely selected the teacher would be gradually directed into a definite line of teaching. The vital question for consideration today seems to be: Should the present system of examinations be continued with all its attendant evils or had they reached the stage in education when they could safely be plead for larger liberality in the organization of the schools and in the promoting of the pupils.

JOKEBOOK.

"De trouble wif some men dat knows a heap," said Uncle Eben, "is dat dey hab sech a positive way o' tellin' it dat dey makes folk too mad to listen."

Teacher—"Why did the Normans and Saxons fight at Hastings?"

Pupil—"That's where they happened to meet, m'sam."

"Pa," said Willie, on returning from school. Is Latin a dead language?"

"Yes, my son," replied Mr. Busyman. "What did it die of, pa?" "I don't know, my son," said Mr. Busyman, with a sigh "I fancy it was talked to death."

Teacher—"How dare you laugh at me, you young rascals?"

Chorus of Pupils—"But we're are no laughing at you sir."

Teacher—"Well, then, I don't know what else there is to laugh at."

"What do you think of matrimony?" some one asked Franklin. He replied: "I think as those who deny purgatory; it locally contains either heaven or hell; there is no third place in it." This reminds us of a priest who asked, when examining a class in the south of Ireland, "What is the sacrament of matrimony?" A little girl at the head of the class answered: "It's a state of torment into which souls enter to prepare them for another and better world." "That," said the curate, "is purgatory"; put her down to the bottom of the class. "Leave her alone," said the parish priest, "for anything you or I know to the contrary, she may be perfectly right."

PROBLEMS IN ARITHMETIC.

1. I feed my horse 3 times a day, giving him each time 4 quarts of oats and 6 lbs. of hay. Find the cost of keeping him for 4 weeks when oats are worth 30c a bushel and hay \$10 a ton. Answer, \$5.67.
2. How high must the wood in a car be filled in a car, which is 28 feet long by 8 feet wide, to contain 14 cords? Answer, 8 feet.
3. At what rate per cent will \$1500 in 4 years amount to the same sum as \$1250 at 6 per cent for 6 years? Answer 3, 1-3 per cent.
4. How many maps, 3 feet long and 2 feet wide can be made from 40 square yards of canvas? Answer, 60.
5. Find the simple interest on \$43.80 at 3 1/2 per cent from March 21st, 1885, to March 21st, 1887. Answer, \$306.60.
6. What length of rope will allow a horse to graze on 2 acres of grass? Answer, 166 feet.

BALFOUR'S VIEWS ON THE CLASSICS.

Mr. Arthur Balfour, presiding at the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Ley's School, Cambridge, the chief Wesleyan-Methodist School of England,

advocated a wide alteration in the educational system. He thought that education, unless largely literary, must be one-sided and defective, but a great majority of school boys were never familiar enough with Latin and Greek to develop therefrom the imagination and sympathy which were more desirable than ever in the face of the tendency to overvalue the educational side of science and the constant expanding of the insight into the physical world. He favored a thorough study of the modern and easier languages instead of the rudiments of Latin and Greek.

A SPELLING LESSON.

Vacancy, vague, vacuum, valiant, valleys, vapour, vase, vaults, vehicle, velocipede, velocity, veneering, venomous, variety, villain, villany, vinegar, violin, virtue, viscount, vitriol, vizard, vocalists, volcanoes, volunteers, voracious, voucher.

Rose Valley Notes.

This locality, including Stanchel and Springton, is almost, if not the only section of the Island that can boast of considerable areas of the "forest primeva" in their primitive grandeur—unscathed by fire—unmarred by the woodman's axe. It is to be regretted that those woods, contributing as they do to the salubrity of the climate and to the beauty of the landscape, should be so ruthlessly destroyed year by year. Teams can now be seen in all directions hauling timber, lumber, firewood and poles, presenting a lively and interesting scene.

There were a few pro-Boers around here at the commencement of the war; but as the causes which led to the war have become better known and understood it would be difficult to find one now—to use a coarse phrase "with a fine tooth comb."

The school is making fine progress under the efficient charge of Mr. Charles E. McDonald, and is a further proof that the high reputation he has won for himself as an instructor and disciplinarian is well merited; and equipped as he is with experience, natural aptitude for his profession and scholarly attainments he bids fair to become, if not already, one of the foremost educators in the province.

Our Liberal Conservative Association is well organized, and we shall do our duty when the time comes to had from power an unscrupulous moribund Government who by squalid and contemptible tactics subvert the ends of responsible Government instead of obeying the mandates of the people as expressed at the polls, to cease their misrule and resign.

March 12, 1900.

WILT-HIRE CHEESE FACTORY.—A correspondent says: The patron of Wiltshire cheese factory held their annual meeting on Monday, March 5th. The reports show the business of the factory to be in a flourishing condition, under the careful management of the secretary, Mr. L. L. Jenkins. The following directors have been appointed for the ensuing year:—President, John Balderston; Secretary, L. L. Jenkins, John R. McLeod, John Edwards, Chas. Godfrey, Thos. Murray, D. G. McDonald.

TENDERS CALLED FOR.—Tenders are asked for a new parochial house at Kelly's Cross, all material to be supplied by the parish. Plans may be seen at the office of Mr. W. C. Harris, Charlottetown, and at the residence of Rev. D. B. Reid. The time for receiving tenders expires on the 31st March.

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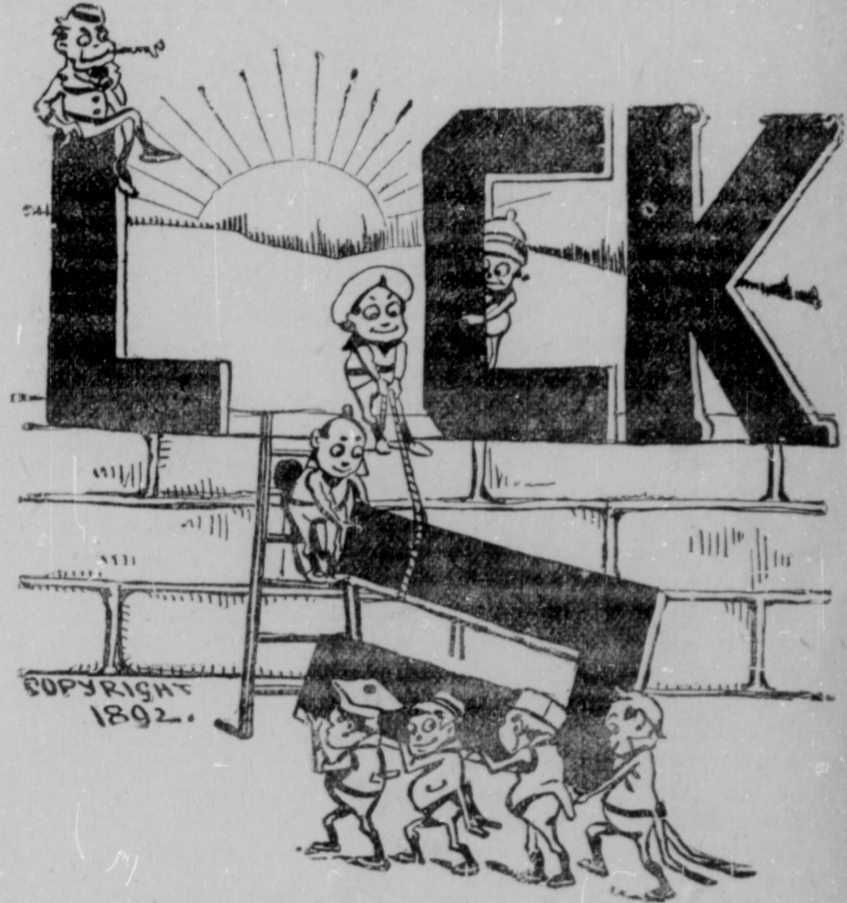
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Blue washing serge, with large red collar, trimmed with 12 rows black and red braid D B vest 12 rows braid down front, 2 pockets, 2 rows brass buttons, this is the latest \$2.75. Sizes 2 to 7 years.

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