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Talks

Love may be blind, but it quickly discovers a slovenliness in personal appearance.

It is a mighty poor husband that can't promise his wife anything she wants. Performance is another matter.

If you want to see how mad a girl can get, just tell her that someone said that she was not pretty, but awfully good.

A man can give more valid reasons for making a mistake than a woman can for doing right.

It is usually after a woman has decided that she is losing her good looks that she takes up mission work and joins a club.

The Bible tells us that God made man in his own image. Then He must have wrought out his most beautiful ideal in women.

Marriage may occasionally be a failure, but in most well regulated households it is a "howling" success—especially about teething time.

Every time I see a woman kiss her worst enemy and call her "dear," I think a great career would have been hers had she been a man, and in politics.

MAN

The course of life is like the sea;
Men come and go; tides rise and fall;
And that is all of history!
The tide flows in, flows out today,
And that is all that man can say—
Man is, 'man was—but is this all?

—Joaquin Miller.

LIFE—WHAT WE MAKE IT

"Oh, this world is full of trouble!"
But your simply saying so
Helps to make the trouble double,
Beaters gloom where'er you go.
Do you know you set in motion
Waves of thought which eethe like
fire,
Which increase this worlds commo-
tion,
Adding misery most dire?

"Oh, this world is full of pleasure!
Do you know your saying so
Helps to bring the heart full measure
Of the joy it longs to know?
Do you know you set in motion
Thoughts which yield their fruit of
peace—
Peace which quells this world's com-
motion,
Makes the world's great heartaches
cease?"

"Tis a question we're to settle;
We may gather on life's road
Wayside roses or the nettle
Prickling with its poisonous goad,
Chords or discords in life's chorus,
What we list for we will hear;
Make the future just before us
Dark with gloom or bright with cheer.

—Jennie E. Gates in Health Re-
porter.

BOOK LARNIN

The reluctance with which the mass of the people acceded to the importance of education is misunderstood by the educated class and held by them to be evidence of the dullness of the masses. This error will become

apparent when the stuff the people were asked to accept as education in the past is considered. Take the course of study that children, less than two hundred years ago, were put through, and point out if you can, what real benefit the children of the masses could possibly derive from it. Wherein did it add to the capacity of the child of a farmer or mechanic to earn a living or provide a home with the ordinary comforts of life? The ideals then held up for the student to model his life after were borrowed from Egypt, Greece, Rome and Persia, in all of which countries the great mass of people were bound slaves, and statesmanship consisted in court-ing the favor of hereditary rulers or oligarchies. The security of the state that is the safety of the rulers was provided for by keeping the masses so poor that they were powerless to re-sent oppression.

The books which were obtained from these sources were trans-lated into English or taken as models and given to the common people to cram down their child-ren as classic lore. In these books if a farmer or mechanic was referred to he was described as a stupid fellow, a scolastics, or country clown. All the books were written in an atmosphere of contempt for the masses of men, the purpose being to smother every aspiration of the human soul and make the great body of the human family be-lieve they existed solely for the benefit of the ruling class. It would have been treason then to have taught that state policies should look to home and provide for the upbuilding of pleasant homes everywhere.

It is not to be wondered at that our race when it began to move by a consciousness of the innate rights of man should re-sent such teachings. When our race grasped by unerring intu-tion the great social truth that home, the family is the basis unit of state and seeing that little or nothing was taught in the books offered them to flog their con-tents into their children, that would render them a particle more capable of supporting a home they turned with a com-mendable dignity from the class-ic trash and styled it "book larnin," meaning thereby that it had no practical value in the homes of industrious free men and home builders.

This refusal, on the part of our people to accept the curricu-lum, borrowed from perished nations, for their children is the grandest fact in the history of our race. It set the educated class to thinking and it was not long in appreciating the justice of the peoples criticism and it was not long in providing a course of studies appropriate to the wants and a fosterer of the hopes of a patriotic people.

Briefly it can now be said that the American common school is today a helpful agency in preparing the young of both sexes to perform any and all duties of life. It helps make good farmers, mechanic laborers in any calling and thus increases their capacity to make and main-tain better homes than they could without the ideas and facts taught in the schoolroom. Since our schools have become such an efficient factor in family pro-gress and therefore national greatness. The great mass of the American people here rallied to the support, and cheerfully pro-vided the means and sent their children to school. In 1800 a child in America got 82 days of instruction in the common schools, in 1903 each child dur-ing his school age received 1,034 days of instruction. In 1870 out of a total population of school age 5—18 years of 12,055,443, there were enrolled in the the Public Schools in the United States 6,871,522 pupils. In 1902 out of a total school population of 22,261,863 there were enrolled 15,925,887 pupils. The total ex-

penditures for public schools in 1810 was \$63,396.666 and in 1902 there was \$235,208,465 expended.



In "A Little Outcast"

ESTRAY NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern that there came to my place about July 1st, 1904, two miles north of Perry on Dixie the following described animal. One dark brown heifer, part Jersey, coming two years old, without visible brands or ear marks. Said animal has been taken up by me and is now with my cattle on the Draper place about 4 miles northwest of Island City, and owner can have same by proving property and paying charges.
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That mother used to wash on when I was a boy,
With its zinc-covered ridges the ends used to play in
And soap bubbles gambled to my childish joy.
Ofttimes have I watched her when wearing her knuckles,
As over the ridges our duds she would rub,
I ne'er will forget how she snatched and she snatched
The old fashioned wash board that stood in the tub.

CHORUS
The old fashioned washboard;
The zinc-covered washboard;
The back-breaking washboard that stood in the tub.
Some folks always kick about up-to-date laundries,
And say they wear out their clothes every day;
But give them to me, so I will have a hot dinger
At home, with the smell of the soap suds away.
I know that the washing machine is much easier
On all of our clothes than to take them and rub
Till the buttons and bosoms are lost and worn out
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