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IS IT EXPEDIENT?

of a multitude throughout the gonian. country. A bevy of young women educated in the main without the slightest reference to the reasonable requirements of their future lives, daughters of work-a-day parents who provide for their bodily comfort, are being bedecked for the graduating occasion in a style that lays heavy tribute upon the domestic purse, and perhaps foredooms the rest of the family from the father down to the nursling (and certainly the self-sacrificing mother) to go shabbily clad for half a year.

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This is one of a number of ways in which our grand system of common school education has grown into a heavy tax upon its supposed or intended beneficiaries. It will be said, of course, that judicious parents, who cannot afford to spend from \$25 to \$50 in this way, should be independent entenough to refuse to comply with the demand of custom and dress the daughter for the occasion simply and in accordance with their means. But this is shallow, being wholly at variance with human nature. Talk as we may about independence, the fact remains that this principle is not a ruling force in the domain of fashion-that, in fact, it has seldom been introduced therein, and never except to be quickly frowned down and out.

The very spirit that urges parents who cannot afford to spend the sum of money required by the present graduating custom to enter and keep up with the grand educational propession, often at the cost of the most pitiful and pinching economy in the essentials of life, is the basis of the high school structure. The idea is to give the children of the poor the "advantages" of a more or less ornate education, equal in all respects to those which the wealthy may buy for H.A. STURDEVANT, their children; to bridge, so to speak, the channel between two distinct stations in life and merge them into

Having been encouraged to do this, is it reasonable to expect par- DR. GEISENDORFFER ents to fail at the last moment to meet the requirements of the situation? Is it any wonder that it is Rooms 21 and 22, decided in family council that Mattie, or Mamie, or Jennie, must have RED. W.WILSON, ATTORNEY AT LAW. THE DALLES, OREGON. over a white satin petticoat, though mother's rusty serge must again be darned and turned; that she must HUNTINGTON & WILSON, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, DALLES, OREGON have white kid slippers, though John-omes over rat Nat. Bank ny cannot go to Sunday school because he is barefoot; that father's battered old hat will "have to do," but a "class pin" must be bought?

These are homely, commonplace Office hours, 2 to 4 p. m.

that are familiar in myriads of beset, straightened households today. The weary mother, striving, with an inadequate knowledge of "styles," to make the girl's graduating dress herself and thus save something toward the ribbons and flowers at the expense, as one recently expressed it, of her own "blood and bones." (She was not a high school graduate, otherwise she would have said at the expense of her "vitality.") Anxious fathers, chafing under the strain but striving manfully to meet it; fagged I have just received a fine line of Woolens in Suitings, Overcoatings and Pantings, and will be pleased to have you call and see them.

striving manfully to meet it; fagged young women, approaching the occasion as one might approach a dentist's chair and wishing it were all over-friends, is it not true that we have encouraged a growth upon our educational system that bears no relation whatever to real education?

In completing a course of study at the public schools, have we not grown into a display that apes wealth without compassing its advantages? less in the matter from reasons that are clearly patent, is it not time that the brakes were put upon the machine by those in control, to the end The annual worry incident to the that its headlong course be arrested demands of graduation from the and its movements be made to conhigh school is taxing the energies form more strictly to the needs of and straining the financial resources the public? In short, is it not time of a score of families, more or less, that, with all our getting, we should in this city at the present time, and strive to get understanding?-Ore-

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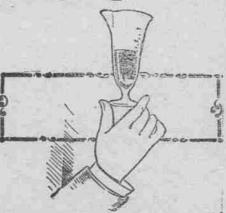
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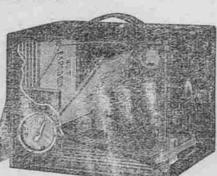
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