

very painful interest in the scene. She knew that the strange men must include those who had known Drane in the West. and she took Johnson to be a distinquished representative of the family, whose words would be a full explana-tion of Drane's mental condition. She tried to attract his attention; to call him to her side, and ask him whether it was true that his unfortunate kiusman was unbalanced.

Mr. Sanford Drane, the genuine, was the first to break the silence which had

fallen upon the party. "I beg your parlon," said he to Roy. Mr. Enowles, "but I really do not see why wo have all invaded your house. lias this unbappy young man-" point-ing to Lawronco-"had any dealings with you during his recent wanderings? I should tell you that I am his unclo, and that I have come to take him home with me, where I trust that rest and medical treatment will restore him to the full command of his faculties."

"And is he, then, deranged?" asked Mr. Knowles. "All that explains much which had been durk to me. I fear that I have done serious wrong. I should have made more careful inquiries be-fore I married his: to this young lady." "Married?" eried Uncle Sanford,

aghast. "Ob, Lawrence, I did not think your wretched fate would have led you to this."

"My very dear, but deplorably muddled uncle," said Lawrence, "do not distress yourself unnecessarily. I am not



darried. This whole complication results from an inexplicable error of Rev. Mr. Knowles, who married this man"indicating Johnson - "to that young woman in the cornar." "Poor fellow!" said Rev. Mr. Knowles,

"he is wandering again." "I am not wandering," said Lawrence.

"The fact is that this woman, taking advantage of Mr. Knowles' error, now claims me as her husband because she knows me to be rich."

"Rich!" put in Uncle Sanford, "if money is all that is needed, perhaps we may yet rescue my misguided nephew ne entimplements.

Beaste was pale, too, for she felt a if you don't get rid of that Howery suit inspiration to other people in the before it falls to pieces altogether you'll primary and grammar grades. This grade is worth twice what it be a moral wreck. Every time a button falls off the finger of Salan is stuck through the empty button-hole.

costs. Throw it out and in three "And as to this marriage," he continyears your schools will have lost ued. "I am proud to say that I was the their character. In like manner bridegroom. I confess with shame that I married Nellie believing her to be it is work in the higher institutions rich, but now-now-Nellie, I have of learning which has given a nothing in the world that I can call my higher aspiration to this school and class. In fact its methods of own. Even my clothes, as you know, do not belong to me. But if you can love instruction and philosophy are me, if you truly wish to be my wife, I those of the college and university. will do the best I can to make a home "As has been said, the history of somewhere for you-for us-in which whatever dress you wear will be the the growth of education in this and robe of a queen, and I a humble, but a other lands shows that the college faithful subject always." has preceded general and second-"Dear Richard," said Nellie, laying ary education, and, this being the her head upon the breast of Lawrence's order of their development, it fol-

Mr. Johnson was beating very hard in. lows that we must look to the deed & one might judge by the express same source for their continued growth. sion of his face. "But you forget, Richard," she said, at length, "we must both go to prison "The criticisms usually brought

against sustaining the public first. We can not expect to be reformed schools are that only the well-to-do without paying the penalty." "Well, I am ready," said Johnson. "My dear follow," cried Lawrence, can fully avail themselves of its privileges, and that but few ever

"you need have no fears of me. I have complete their course. Each of too much to thank you for. But for you these assertions are alike unjust. and your amiable wife I might have "The growth of the high school gone through the wide world from one or academy is a grand work, but

end to the other, and yet have missed does not better prepare its students the one woman for whom my heart was to enter upon the active duties of waiting. Bessie (taking her hand in life than did the elementary schools his), shall we forgive them?" life than did the elementary schools "Indeed, indeed, we will," cried Bes- 50 years ago. It requires greater sie, heartily. "Nellio, I owo you a debt intellectual resources today than it May K rkpatrick, Clara and Ra ph

such as only a woman can understand. did 30 years ago. and-and-I can't tell you how much I "Japan is now stepping to the thank you; but if a whole Saratoga front in matters of education. The

trunk-full of dresses can serve as a symbest colleges of America have had bol of my gratitude I-ah, you dear her sons to be educated. Today Bessie closed the sentence somewhat she susprises the world. How has

hysterically and fell on Nellis's neck. she been able to make the splemant Number days attendance Lawrence, too, was overpowered with record of the past few months? It is not an exception. There is but joy "Dick, old boy," said he, "cheer up. Ill give you carto blancho with my one answer-the superior intellvallor, and you shall wear as many suits igence of her people in applied

Average number belonging a day as a society belle on a week's science. visit to a watering place. And that isn't "Might I suggest that, if our sons Per cent attendance ..... and daughters are to keep pace Number cases corporal punishment

"Only a chance to work, Larry; it's all with the nation's march, the citizens of every town should not only "Work?" cried Lawrence; "not if I know it. A man who can't and any be permitted by law but encourage weather in the begining of the ed to establish a high school as a month is partly accountable for thing better to do in this world than work is defective in imagination. Fill give you a pension of two hundred dolsupplement to the work of the absences. elementary schools. Every city of lars a month for as long as you need it-Oregon of 1000 inhabitants should I-I-old man, my feelings ovorcome have such a supplementary school where they can secure their higher education by drawing at deeper 1895; founts. Scientific thought controls Number days attendance ... SCHOOL DEPARTMENT. and directs the business energy of the world, it makes available the

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Young person," he continued. approach-ing Nellio, and shaking his linger in her fase, "what do you want?"

"I don't want you, you old bear," said Nellie, beginning to cry nervously, "not oven if you're richor than Croesus." Johnson laughed.

"Come, Nellie," said Bessie, somewhat sharply, "explain this matter fully and you will do much to atome for your conduct towards me."

"I didn't know he belonged to you," sobbed Nellie, "or I'd never have tried to catch him."

Here Johnson laughed again, but Lawrence blushed and looked foolish.

"I'm sure I had no ill will against you." Nellie continued. "In fact, I al-ways loved you ever since I've been your maid. I was sorry after I'd stelen your things and would have taken. The mail back to you only I was afrail. I'm going to tell the whole truth now. and I don't care what hereone. I was and I don't care, what happens. I was not a bad girl to begin with, but when my sunt died and I had to get my own living, I became a servant, for there was nothing chee to do. I couldn't teach, because I didn't know any thing-"

"That is not always an impediment," Johnson interrupted; "I have been a

I'd been brought up quiet and proper and hadn't seen any of these horrid, frantic things they write about. So I just got a place as a maid. It was with girl's character to associate with such people. They make you do an awful lat of lying for them. And then there's the uniform-the servant's dress. That's wasn't as good as the other women bedresses I said to myself that it would youth, he proceeded:

make a good girl of me." Rev. Mr. Knowles held up his hands in horror.

"Young woman," said he, "the obliquity of your moral vision is really shocking. Did you think that stolen clothes could make you good?"

ly, "and what's more, I was right; they have. Since I've worn them I haven't had an envious or wicked thought in my mind, except when this man dis-cevered me and I saw the prospect of Harland's dresses not even that temptation would have been strong enough to make me do wrong."

trust, if Mr. Drane doesn't take this suit away from me, that i may yet reform entirely before it wears out. I feel bet-ter now. Already I have discarded the language of a tramp, and the mendacity of a politician. A few days more and I shall be as good a man as Drane himself; and Larry, old boy, let me tell you that

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all. I'll give you-

mo!"

I ask," said Johnson.

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boys and girls but for citizens and length of the road, three miles;

## the Effects of Higher Education.

John M. Bloss, president of the roform; when 50, he might have Average daily attendance. city of any importance.

It's all the time saying to the girl that agricultural colleges. "In addition means of the telautograph. Wears it: 'You're only a slave. What differencedoes it make how you behave?' Yon can't go to Heaven in such clothes, anyhow.' I go to thinking that I \$25,000, for sustaining each of the \$25,000, for sustaining agricultural colleges." Then com- a general series of evolutions, which when I saw the chance to steel your ing to the point of education of the have ended in a complete revolu-

throughout the land that every boy and every girl should be educated. "Every boy and girl must have

and every girl should be educated. that a properly educated boy or

educated man of 40 years realizes horticulture, directly and indirectwhat he has lost through the lack ly." big cuffs and a cap again. I tell you of learning. An educated man of that if I'd had another week in Mrs. 40 has reaped the benefits of his knowledge.

"Homes, modes of life and living,

beliefs, secular and unsecular, Number days attendance. "You have discovered a great moral principle," said Johnson. "I too, stole a chance to begin a better life, and, I trust, if Mr. Drane doesn't take this suit

"Let us for a moment review the Average daily attendance

progress of the present century. A Per cent of attendance man now living in Oregon was Number cases corporal panishment born in 1800. When he was 7 Those neither absent nor taidy We call the attention of teachers first steamboat in the world; when ton. Jessie and Wallace Heffron to the very able address, given be-low, of President John M. Bloss to lantic ocean on the first steamboat; Earl Rogers, Katie and Vernie Fox, to the graduating class of the Port- when 20 he might have used the Varnnie Brancombe, Georgie and land High school on 'The Effects first iron plow ever manufactured; Rosana White, Olive Lane, Pear of Higher Education." There is when 28 he might have ridden on Dempsey and Van Coats. food for reflection in it not only for the first railroad train the whole D. A. H

egram; when 46 he might have Number days attendance.

while under the influence of chlo- Average number belonging

state agricultural college, in his cut his wheat with a reaper; when address to the high-school grad- 66, he might have sent his first uates at the High-school building, telegram to Europe; when 70, he Number cases corporal punishment. took for his subject "The Effects of Higher Education." In this ad-er in the wheat field; when 75, he 36, teachers 11, others 41, total

His opening remarks were to the on the phonograph; when 84, he 20, 1st grade 35. "The suggestion of these inven- number of absences is very large

tion in the demands, wants and "It is almost a universal feeling needs of society. What did it?

The state demands this education on a fair chance in the race of life. the part of its youth on the grounds This is what the high school gives. from a derangement of the stomach. "As has been said, the success in "Yes, sir, I did," replied Nellie, firm- girl is a better citizen. The public every important business enterprise one of Ripans Tabules is an insurschool system could not be sustain- today is the result and growth of ance againit it and a box of them ed on other grounds. An un- applied science in agriculture and should be in every traveler's outfit-

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"I couldn't write novels, as some dress Mr. Bloss shows the necessity might have seen an attempt at the first electric light; when 77, he absent nor tardy during the month. a strong argument in favor of es. might have talked with his friend In the 8th grade 6, 7th grade 5, tablishing high schools in every through the telephone; when 79, 9th grade 6. 5th grade 21, 4th city of any importance.

been thrown in just such company for years. It's an awful strain on a young in its very infancy set apart for each of the states and territories a have traveled around the world in number of tardies has been reduc-portion of its lands to provide for 75 days, and when 92, he might ed from 103 for last month to 46 primary schools and universities, have have sat in Portland and for this month. With the hearty and in other parts of the states for drawn his picture in New York by co-operation of parents the record can be made much better. The

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