

is the duty of the state in which he lives to give him the best education he is fit to receive, and the community understands that the public funds are to be drawn upon to provide for such education." (p. 351.) "The whole people appear to regard the children as the nation's best asset, whilst the children themselves seem to be animated with the desire to cultivate their powers to the fullest extent, because they realize that they can only hope to occupy such positions in life as their education has fitted them to fill with credit." (p. 376.)

More than one of the Mosely commissioners quote with approval President Roosevelt's utterance, when he said that while education would not make or save a nation, the nation which neglected education would be assuredly undone in the long run. With you education has come to be a "prime necessity of national life, for which hardly any expenditure can be too great," and the opportunities for which are being widely diffused, and made generally accessible, in all its branches, to every section of your great democracy. That is a result on which I ask to be allowed to join my congratulations to those of my fellow countrymen who, in the pages of the Mosely Commission Report, have enshrined so appreciative and so illuminating an account of your educational system.

Let me close by offering a word of congratulation on the success which has attended your present celebration. I am sure I am speaking for all your guests when I say it has been the occasion of great enjoyment and much edification to the whole body of your visitors.