

of a Saintly Indian... A new pub-... classes among the... age the fondness...

F. M. Craft, who... self a strong trace... became a missionary...

Catherine worked... people, in all sorts... of contracted consump-...

on of Discoid... subordination is but... certain souls. There...

of Their Parents... girl who is ashamed... of her parents...

The system provides... for the higher stud-... ies of the university...

The lower classes... are graded on the... basis of a classical...

THE JESUIT SYSTEM IN THE LOWER SCHOOLS.

Delightful task to rear the tender thought... To teach the young idea how to shoot...

When the Jesuits were driven from France in the last century, their successors introduced...

Encyclopaedist, Sans culotte, Bonapartist and Bourbon, all had their turn in renovating the educational system of France...

Both had made a special study of the best methods of instruction; neither of them had any abiding love for the Jesuits...

The history of the Ratio Studiorum is briefly told. In 1584 Father Claudius Aquaviva, the general of the society, appointed a commission of six Fathers...

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critics of the preliminary Ratio of 1584 remark: "Severity must be practiced in examinations, since it is more injurious for boys to ascend to a grade, when not fit, than to remain in it...

For the first two years the student is engaged in the study of the Latin and Greek grammars, and the reading of the easier portions of the classics...

In all the classes the students are exercised frequently in Latin, Greek and English composition suited to their capacity, and the grammar matter is so divided that the portion proper to the lower grade is reviewed in the next higher one...

Elouquence, that is, poetry and oratory, but especially oratory, is the object of study in the class of rhetoric. Cicero is the author chosen as the model for the cultivation of Latin style...

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certatio, or discussion between rivals on the proper rendering of a passage from an author, the precepts of rhetoric, poetry or grammar, or the subject-matter of a former prelection. In the concertatio one student is opposed to several, and must be prepared to explain and defend his position against the sharp attacks of ingenious opponents...

History is silent as to any alarming changes in boyish nature since Alcibiades fell into disgrace by defaming the statues of Hermes in the streets of Athens. Youth is still noted for its impetuous display of animal spirits, is much given to hero worship, careless in the choice of a model, devoted to truth and justice when passion does not cloud the judgment...

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test serves to spur on the vanquished to more careful training in the future, while failure to reach the school standard of proficiency, unless attended by some form of reproof, will seldom rouse the indolent student to the energetic exercise of his faculties.

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of passion to the Arctic frost of melancholy have so weakened his nervous system that he is thrown into an ecstasy of delight by the contemplation of his own rather meagre accomplishments, and unutterably shocked by the depressing color effects of the moonbeams on a moribund lily.

There is no royal road to learning or distinction. Even genius has been defined as an infinite capacity for taking pains. The Jesuit system, therefore, does not propose any substitute for close mental application, but rather directs the student how, and on what subjects, he can best exercise his mind.

The sin which is not immediately done away by repentance, by its own weight impels us toward another.—St. Gregory.

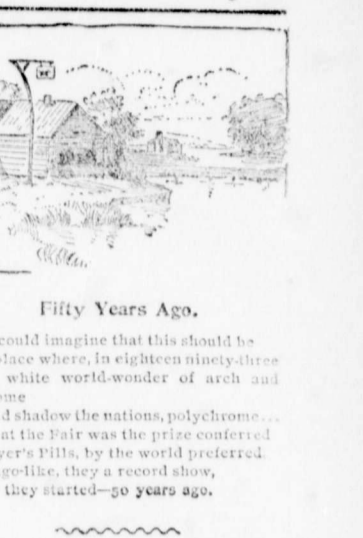
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