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(5) Even to those students who do not pursue the study of the classical languages beyond the first two years, their classical training is of considerable value. The matter or content may disappear, but the form remains. They acquire a standard of literary taste and judgment which they are not likely to lose, especially if they have been taught, as we endeavour to teach them, to render their classical authors in good, idiomatic English. They learn from their classical studies to distinguish truth from falsehood, genuine feeling from sentimentality, a lesson which is of value in many fields besides that of literature.

(6) Above all I would insist that humanistic studies quicken the appreciation of spiritual as against material values, and teach students to judge by standards of quality rather than quantity. To bring them into contact with the freshening, invigorating thought of Greece is to open a new world to them, and contact with that world enhances their critical powers and teaches them to face problems for themselves and seek for their own solutions rather than accept unexamined the solutions of others.

All these things I hold to be the chief advantages to be derived from Classical studies.

Yours sincerely

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