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Notes and Selections.

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PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION. — "Boys, said the teacher, "can any of you quote a verse from scripture to prove that it is wrong for a man to have two wives?" The reply was ready, "No man can serve two masters." This must have been the same boy who wrote, "Titus was a Roman Emperor, supposed to have written the Epistle to the Hebrews. His other name was Oates."

The science in that school was not much better. "The food passes through your wind-pipe to the pores, and thus passes off your body by evaporation through a lot of little holes in the skin called capillaries." "A circle is a round straight line with a hole in the middle." "Things which are equal to each other are equal to anything else." "In Austria the principal occupation is gathering Austrich feathers." "The two most famous volcanoes of Europe are Sodom and Gomorrah." "Climate lasts all the time and weather only a few days." "Columbus knew the earth was round because he balanced an egg on the table." "The blood is putrefied in the lungs by inspired air."

A poor boy was asked, "What is a gentleman?" "A fellow that has a watch and chain," he replied, and, when he saw that his answer was not perfectly satisfactory, he added, "and loves Jesus."

"Mediæval is a wicked man who has been tempted" was another answer. "A demagogue is a vessel containing beer and other liquids" was, perhaps, more true than polite. "Tom, use a sentence with responsibility in it." Tom said: "When one suspender button is gone there is a great deal of responsibility on the other one."—*Canadian Magazine.*

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