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Only a cloud in a sky of deep blue,  
Edged with a liver and tiny gold rings;  
Only a wreath of May roses, a spray from the apple tree bough,  
A shower of pink and white petals,  
And we know that sweet May cometh now.

—*Ladies' Home Journal*—

## RUSSIAN STUDENTS AND NIHILISM.

Under ordinary circumstances any attempt to obstruct education and enlightenment would constitute an act of almost senseless barbarism. Without accepting, it may be useful to recount the arguments officially put forward in Russia at the present time in defence of the retrograde policy of imperial administration. The object which the latter proposes to attain by restricting access to the universities and high schools is to diminish the vast number of college graduates, who, being unable to obtain employment which they consider worthy of their scholastic attainments, become discontented with their lot, embittered against both Government and society, and form the kernel and backbone of the Nihilist movement. Among the sudden and advanced reforms inaugurated by the Czar after his accession to the throne in 1856 was one which practically rendered education, even in the highest branches of science, almost entirely free. As the expense was merely nominal, liberated serfs, petty tradesmen and poor artisans made it a point to send their sons to the college and university with the conviction that successful studies would necessarily involve lucrative and influential appointments in the service of the Government.

Unfortunately, the Government was, and has continued to be, crowded with the sons of the wealthier and more aristocratic classes. It was entirely closed to Jews, and utterly unable to meet the multitudinous demands of the candidates for employment. Russia is as yet so poorly developed as regards trade and manufacture—agriculture constituting the principal national industry—that the students could find no career open to them. The absence of any technical training at the university rendered their services unavailable in connection with the progress of Russian industry, and they were too proud of their classical and scientific accomplishments to condescend to follow the humble pursuits of their fathers. Without profession, without regular means of existence, and dangerous on account of their unemployed learning and knowledge, they became the nucleus of the Nihilist party, with the object of obtaining through an overthrow of the existing order, both of government and of society, the means of livelihood which are now denied to them.

At least 90 per cent. of the Nihilists brought to trial during the last fifteen years have belonged to the student or college graduate class, and in almost every case they have been the sons of either some peasant or petty tradesman. The late Count Tolstoi was the first to realize the peril to the monarchy which was constituted by this vast body of highly educated men without employment or means of existence, and held that it was unreasonable for the Government to afford gratuitous instruction and training to the very persons who were destined to become its most dangerous enemies. During the reign of the late Czar he attempted in vain to restrict the educational system, so far as the higher branches of science were concerned. It was not until two years ago that he was able to enforce his ideas, and to issue an imperial decree debarring the masses from access to the universities. It was projected at the time to organize for the lower classes a system of technical and trade schools for instruction in the various forms of manual labor. But these have not yet been established.

Since Count Tolstoi's death last year his policy has been continued with undiminished vigor by the present Minister of Public Instruction, Count Delianoff. Decrees destined to restrict education follow in rapid succession, and have led to the present student riots, which the Czar has taken as a pretext for closing all the universities of the empire. Mile. Tchobrikova, in her recent public letter to the Emperor, likened the new educational policy of Russia to that practiced by the Spartans when they deprived their slaves of their eyesight, and stigmatized it as being equally barbarous. The comparison is a good one. The distressing state of affairs which has been made an excuse for such reactionary measures on the part of the Russian Government is truly deplorable.

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