

though her tongue be unable to frame any phrases of verbal persuasion—let no such woman doubt that she is in her place, and is doing her fitting work.—*The Church at Home and Abroad.*

[To the above we add, women in the public school, where, outside of the home, she is in her most influential sphere, and where the fruit of her work will be blest and a blessing for untold generations.]

NOTES FOR TEACHERS.

THE TRAFFIC OF LONDON BRIDGE.—The exact number of persons who cross London Bridge on foot in a day has been ascertained, and a long-disputed point settled. In order to decide a guessing competition in which 36,000 persons took part, the editors of the weekly journal *Answers* made arrangements with the Commissionaire Corps, and a large staff of men were drafted on to the bridge for the whole twenty-four hours of the day. The result proved that 1,111,873 foot-passengers and 45,000 vehicles, containing an average of three persons each, crossed.—*Ex.*

STANLEY'S GEOGRAPHICAL DISCOVERIES IN AFRICA.—Stanley has traced the River Arnwima hundreds of miles from the Congo to the highlands which flank the Basin of the Nile. He has determined the extent and character of the great forest-belt that reaches northward from Tanganyika to the equatorial lakes. He has discovered a snow-capped mountain which he thinks rivals Kilima Njaro in height, and he has also described the tributary of the Nyanza, which is supposed to connect that little-known Lake Muta Nzige with the Nile system. This information may be only a fraction of that which he may be able to communicate upon his return.

THE LARGEST LAKES IN THE WORLD.—The Caspian, though called a sea, is to all intents and purposes a vast land-locked lake, and is the

largest in the world, being more than five times the size of Lake Superior, which comes second, and is the largest fresh-water lake in the world, having about the same area as Ireland. There are six lakes each with an area exceeding 20,000 square miles, namely:—

LAKE.	COUNTRY.	SQ. MILES.
Caspian.	Russia.	178,872
Superior.	Canada & U.S.	31,990
Victoria Nyanza.	Africa.	27,000
Aral.	Russia.	25,868
Michigan.	United States.	23,903
Huron.	Canada & U.S.	23,684

It is computed that the great system of lakes of which Superior, Michigan, and Huron form a part, with the river St. Lawrence which flows from them, contain together half the fresh water of the globe.—*School Guardian.*

BOGOTA, the capital of Colombia, is situated in the "heart of the Andes," something over 8,000 feet above the sea level, and ranks as the third highest city on the western hemisphere, Potosi and Quito only taking precedence. There is a peculiar tradition as to the event of its founding in 1542. It is related that three Spaniards set out with the purpose of selecting a capital for the new viceroyalty of New Grenada. One entered the territory through Venezuela, a second descended the Magdalena, while the third's gateway was by the Pacific Coast. All meeting on the spot where the city is now located on the same day, with true Spanish superstition they hailed it as an "omen,"