

This subject is important to every girl whether she happens to be a daughter of the rich or of the humble poor, for the rich to-day may be poor to-morrow, and furthermore it is important that all should be able to appreciate good material and work well done. Sewing is now being taught in some of the city schools, and, we are pleased to note, in a few of the rural schools of our province, for if Manitoba stands for one thing more than another it is progressiveness, and we feel sure that just as soon as those who have charge of affairs educational realize the necessity for training in this subject, every little girl shall be given an opportunity of learning that which she must know if she is to do her part towards maintaining the health, happiness and comfort of the home.

But just here arises another question. Even should those in authority decide to introduce sewing into schools where it is not already taught, are all teachers, any more than all mothers, capable of teaching it? Well, in the first place, they all can teach, and those who have passed through the Normal School during the past two years, and have taken a course at the Manitoba Agricultural College have been given sufficient instruction in this subject to enable them to at least make a beginning, and if they have the welfare of the girls at heart, can find opportunities of adding to their knowledge; and we hope the time is not far distant when the Agricultural College will be able to offer a summer school to such as wish to add to their knowledge of this and kindred subjects.

It may seem strange to some of you that one who is engaged in teaching this subject to young women in the Home Economics Department of the college should concern herself with what is being taught in the public schools, but it is just here that one has an opportunity of seeing the importance of early training.

Of course a girl will not learn all there is to learn about sewing while she is in school, any more than about other subjects, that