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had left the house, and were driving through the clear starlight.

"Annette," her husband said suddenly, "I've been thinking that if I had a boy, I would bring him up yery strictly. No matter how much I main the word with the should be taught to control himself from fear, if he had no other motive. He should be made hardy, and healthy, and active. I wouldn't allow him much time to dream and think of himself; he should be kept busy; and I would never let him deid on any one, or sit still and fancy pend on any one, or sit still the that some great fortune were going to drop into his hands without any effort on his part."

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of matter, is it not even more so in the higher realm of mental activity? Such, indeed, is the verdict of history.

a marked impetus in some special lines of progress. Ours is, indeed, one of these marked periods. At such times Liberal doses of the classics, with mathematical progress. The needs of every age give birth to these marked periods. At such times leaders, booted and spurred, ride rough-shod over difficulties inseparable from every new departure. Methods count for little where great interests are at stake; the end in view brooks are at stake; the end in view brooks great mistake of our day. We want great mistake of our day. We want great mistake of our day. We want neither parley nor delay. Education, temperance, capital and labor, each and all come in for a share of the world's attention. The first of these gives the keynote to the others, is the deminant factor in every scheme for a

higher, better civilization.

As a matter bristling with sugges tions, the theories and opinions vary as the ever-changing figures of the

kaleidoscope.
Miss Katharine Tynan, in an admirable contribution to The Catholic World for August, 1890, on the Higher Bducation of Catholic Girls, gives striking views of the lights and shades, the merits and defects, of the system as viewed through English

Naturally less conservative than our British cousins, by shifting our eye-glasses to the western side of the At-lantic other scenes are presented. With Miss Tynan, most emphatically de we urge broader and more practical methods in our convent schools. Mental culture, the grandest work to which one's life can be consecrated, whether as giver or receiver, was there kept in too narrow and shallow chan-

atmosphere seems favorable to this new

departure. Our out-and-out American inhales not only liberty, but progress and improvement with every breath. Even nuns, as teachers, couldn't if they would, and wouldn't if they could, escape the infection. They are not, as many imagine, fossils dug from a forced entombment—far from it—but, shaking the dust of centuries from makes others' stumbling blocks our their feet, they are on the alert, up and ready for the Master's work, which oftener finds them in the class-reom library, and laboratory than in the chapel; in fact, their chapel is wherever duty calls. And so in one and another of these monasteries, whose dawn may be traced to the remete past, a kindly welcome is given the good fairy so busy in this blessed

work of improvement. Religion, morals and culture strike out new paths in the wilderness, making it bud and blossom anew.
Seeing what has been and will surely

be accomplished in this great work, will it be too much to say that Archi-medes has at last found a fulcrum for his lever and can move the world?

Strange that we should have lingered se long in the twilight of this fair and beautiful day. Like mariners of old, without Columbus and a compass, we feared drifting away from the land-marks of knowledge held sacred by our ancestors. Prejudice and a blind de-votion to traditions of the past were the hills of difficulty that must first be leveled and tunneled. Thus has it been, thus must it be, was their dictum. But evermore riding other peoples' hobbies doesn't pay. To-day is not vestanday, nor was it ever mean is not yesterday, nor was it ever meant

However, let us in charity admit that institutions of by gone years met the needs of the hour, adding a fervent Deo gratias that the great Master says: Fiat lux; and light there is.

With the objections urged against convent schools, it must be admitted their own. Aside from the course of study and the protecting care bestudy and the protection c

basying herself in the most common-place manner with his preparations. "Shall I go to the station with yon?" she asked carelessly.
"I wish you would." His tone was Annette had arranged it so that they went down-stairs while her the dining-room door had been left the dining-room door had been left the dining-room door had been left than flitting from flower to the days her seat or call out the two with its fair promise, is revealed in a new light, higher aims awakened lead to nobler, better work, and in after spotted from the world." Then may he to nobler, better work, and in after years these same maidens turn to their convent home as to a veritable Mecca, gladly making a pilgrimage thither. One of them, shortly before her wed-ding-day, was asked by her bethrothed where they should make the bridal

tour. "To St. Mary's," was the prompt re-

He ply. "Nonsense, dear; I'm in earnest."

"In earnest? So am I."
"Why, you must be crazy; who
ever heard of a bridal trip to a con-"Never mind; let this be the first

time then, for there I'm bound to go.'
"But what will I do?"

HOW TO SOLVE A GREAT PROBwould shut the door in my face."
"Nothing of the kind; just try
them and see."

After some further exchange of shots Science tells us that earthquakes, volcanic cruptions, and similar convulsions are only so many vents for the pent-up forces of nature needed elsewhere. If this be true in the world Do we advocate a higher education

for our Catholic girls? Emphatically, Yes. Higher and still higher, reach ing not only heaven's gate, but pass-Liberal doses of the classics, with mathematics, the arts and sciences, aid materially, if the capacity and need to do more than others to rise above senior wranglers. This "beating the record "in mental work never pays. How often the poor, over-taxed brain refuses to act. Not how much, but how and for what purpose. Solid, practical work is always in demand. Remem ber the great English actor, who thought his time well spent if after listening to the exhortations of Whitfield he could pronounce the letter O with the force and unction of the famous

Do you say "By a little crowding we finish the sooner?"—so limiting educa-tion to a certain programme, like that of a concert-so many numbers and

then finale! Ah! can the infinite thus be com-For what else is knowledge? the ancestor of myriads awaiting the patient student. Not satisfied with knowledge received second-hand, she herself unlocks nature's cabinet and revels in its treasures ever new and

wondrous strange.
"There is not a property in nature

nature, matter and spirit, but the genius and power to turn these factors to their destined end. And just here is revealed the true purpose of educa-From a higher source must our tion. From a higher source must our Catholic teachers — and all others as well—draw this needed wisdom. Faith gives confidence, and confidence readily stepping-stones. Let such as these be leaders among leaders; rising above creed, party and personal interest. See what the public welfare demands, and stand for itand by it.

If a man has that true grandeur of soul which makes him anything but a copying-machine, he will "take the dare" of his own party, if need be—yea, of the whole world—acting purely from his honest convictions of right, hisses and insults to the contrary not withstanding. There are such men of capacity and integrity, eager for their country's service, ready for every sacrifice but that of their honor; which alone holds them back.

This is principle, true and unswerv ing, and anything involving a principle worth being involved will find its way clear and sure, spite of obstacles high as the heavens and deep as the lowest abyss. But never forget that the source of all true principles must be higher than their output.

They tell us "history repeats itself;" last. alas! for the repetition sometimes. Yet, need it be thus in the future? Is word there not need enough and roomenough for genius right here and now of a new and better sort than has marked the common run of events and the enter-prises upon which they hinged? It is

wighes, and desirous to see if any pain wighes, and desirous to see if any pain which imparts a culture and womanly assimilate with theirs. Elasticity of great men and women as well, to serve defamers. Then will be realize that without this stamina life becomes only grace seldom found elsewhere. Is this attention, that absolute the needs of the hour.

truth, on that religion, "pure and un-defiled before God the Father, which is spotted from the world." defy the whole world to dislodge him. As Jefferson says: "Error is dangerless when truth is left free to combat it."

This genuine courage, supreme in its

unselfishness, makes heroes—immortals. Failures become their spur. Was there ever one deserving the name who had not laughed in the face of a dozen or more defeats? For the child of pluck and daring obstacles only bring out that latent energy which Bruce, Washington, Watt, Stephenson,

"Come along, too."
"Worse and worse. Why the nuns all honor, but for us to day, with a forward glance, we mount still higher ward glance, we mount still higher.

Cosmic power gives cosmic results.

Ages yet to be shall trace their weal or woe to our action upon the vital questions of this nineteenth century—questions involving religion, education, and whatever bears upon civilization. This is "the bill of human duties" presented for our sanction or veto.

From nature we learn the great lesson of progress so typical of our age. Lower orders of animal and vegetable life prepare for the higher, and give place to them. The world's advancement has followed the same divine law. Rude and barbarous nations yield to the master-minds that wield their power of thought and culture. The two. as teachers and taught, constantly develop forces material and spiritual, thus aid-ing, feebly though it may be, in this God given work.

Justly proud of our Government, let Justly proud of our Government, let-us remember that while "liberty is the grandest of privileges, it is also the greatest of responsibilities." Nothing educates individuals more than a sense of this responsibility. This truth im-pressed upon children will be the makeup of half their education. Let them feel that at their work, study, play, or whatever forms the wondrous pano-rama of their lives, how largely success and happiness for themselves and others is in their hands, engrafting at the same time every noblest principle and aim.

Broad views, high motives, and a dominant love for what is best and purest will prevail over every unworthy aim. Nature and truth are but names for the divine Master Himself, always and everywhere working for the welfare of humanity through juspassed? For what else is knowledge.
No, this Gordian knot cannot be cut the welfare of humanity through the welfare of humanit chance, good-fortune, but we know, too. well it is God, and God alone, leading creation to its destined end.

This higher civilization, permeated through and through by a religion firm in faith and practice, will thus be-Already much has been done to atone for these defects; enough yet remains made no to awaken all the active forces of our American sisterhood. The very atmosphere seems favorable to this new material down and means are never wanting atmosphere seems favorable to this new material down and means are never wanting atmosphere seems favorable to this new material down and means are never wanting atmosphere seems favorable to this new material down and means are never wanting atmosphere seems favorable to this new material down and means are never wanting atmosphere seems favorable to this new material down and means are never wanting atmosphere seems favorable to this new material down and means are never wanting atmosphere seems favorable to this new material down as of means at the testament and heritage of come the testament and heritage of every true American; that strange atmosphere is not less on the broader, atmosphere seems favorable to this new material do we so much need as the ability to apply the old.

Ways and means are never wanting of every true American; that strange atmosphere is every true American; that strange atmosphere is every true American; that strange atmosphere come the testament and heritage of every true American; that strange atmosphere is every true American; that strange atmosph problems, born of man's two-fold ing civil and religious rights to our citizens being no longer a dead-letter, will assert and maintain its integrity.

We use the term religion in its broadest sense, without reference to any special creed other than that of Christianity as embodied in the life and teachings of its holy Founder. Can anything but good result from inculcating such principles? We must fight the unworldly and the unworthy, but with the peaceful weapons of concilia-

tion and good-will. "To worship God, to repress what is evil, and to be of service to our neigh-bor, this is religion. And faith with-out works is dead." It is the religion urged as indispensable in educational work. Without it we will have but poitroons and knaves, puppets and dummies, to be led by a string, or wound up to pipe and dance the hours Strange as is the anomaly reaway. Strange as is the anomaly re-ferred to, the practical common-sense of our countrymen asserting itself will bring good out of this apparent evil.

There is a tide in the affairs of men That taken at its flood leads on to fortune." Such a tide we face to-day, big with consequences beyond the ken of human wisdom. If rightly met, what a glori-ous future awaits us. Patience, constant, willing drudgery, and a deter mination that knows not the meaning of the word fail, must win the day at

That term drudgery seems a hard word to use, having somehow an unpleasant sound to many ears; yet it is the only thing that really tells in life-a persistent grinding at apparently trivial things that alone make per-

grace seldom found elsewhere. Is this influence in the atmosphere? Postibly. Is it in a secret, magic power? Positively, No. Yet still it is there. And as this unconscious tuition goes on what do we see?

A young maiden enters full of plots and plans that seem to her the very essence of life and happiness, perhaps to say that she's "been away to school," or to gain honors, medals, etc. But soon the gentle nuns, in their motherly way, lead these gay butter-flies to see something more desirable than flitting from flower to flower to plain, substantial facts. Butterflies do can't and won't, as should be weil enough for idie pastume on a summer's morning; but not for life real and earnest as theirs. They think, speak, and act with their own powers rather than their neighbor's. Principles form their coat-of-mail, proof against red-tape and wire-pulling along dauble dealing, the weekly weekly the proof against red-tape and wire-pulling along dauble dealing, the weekly metter for it is no child's play. Here ing, above double dealing; the wealth of the Indies, a thousand times told could not touch their honor; they scorn everything that does not tally with would else have left many a Xenophon, the highest, purest aims. Such is the Bruce, Washington. Watt. Stephenson, mould in which educators should cast Bruce, Washington, Watt, Stephenson, Edison, and hosts of kindred spirits buried from birth to death.

Nor from the dead past shall we seek them even as models. Heroes in their generation they were, and worthy of all honor, but for us to day, with a forothers.

As a motive and means of success we should view existence as God Himself views it in its completeness. "In our planning the true meaning of life should be understood. Life in its entirety must be reckened with as in than the possible three-score-years-and-ten of earth. No plan is worthy the dignity of a human soul which limits

itself to this life." Seeing, then, that no act is in itself a less others, we begin to catch a faint glimpse of life's real meaning. The end sought gives its significance to

every important act.

The highest, broadest scholarship should not alone be the
goal of student life, but to get the most and best out of one's self, thereby to render the more and better services to "Freely ye have received, sacred and pure, only intensify love

pose does to make home sweeter and than this education misses its sacred vocation. But urged on by such aims a glorious future awaits our country. Will it then become a Utopia as pic-tured by Sir Thomas More? Far better than that, with one united effort, those in power will work for the common welfare. Sweat-shops, strikes, riots, the rule of Judge Lynch, and those terrible scenes at Homestead, Cœur d'Alene, and in Tennessee, will be wholly of the past; otherwise this tidal wave must have its ebb and flow, "darkening our country's banner with the crimson hue of shame." We may not be able at once to stem its mad fury and calm the troubled waters. Human strength is but weakness against almighty power and divine

effective.

It may be wrought out only through bruised and bleeding bodies, crushed hearts, and the sacrifice of many noble lives; yea, even though the end may not sanctify the means, or the means the end, yet none the less will that end become an accomplished fact. As it has been so will it be again and again until a higher civilization is attained through a broader Christian educa-

That glaring defect of omitting religious instruction in our schools leaves out the very back-bone in the system, relegating it, like the invertebrates, to a lower order of creation. Is it not virtually saying to God, We can do without you? Beware, lest in turn He say, I can do better without you— Depart! Morality, or natural religion, is not to be contemned-by no means. But unless grounded on the supernatural, on that revealed by God through Jesus Christ, we shall have little more than educated animals. One-sided views give one-sided results. In the natural world these deformities are anything but pleasing. Will they be less so in the moral and spiritual Half one's nature, and that the lesser half, developed at the expense of the

other! When through our country's floodgates shall pour in the thou-sands and tens of thousands earth's remotest bounds, from common run of events and the entercommon run of events and the enterprises upon which they hinged? It is
originality, individualism that we
want; men and women head and
work." Bring this drudgery, this shoulders above other men and women.
Oh! what genius and its gifts are wasted at the gaming-table, the club, and the races, which if thrown into Our methods and their results will speak for themselves, and prove that, besides dealing with the mental and physical forces of existence, we have represented into the life and soul of our transferred into the life and soul of our transferr and the races, which it thrown into our country's grist-mill would have come out with the brand of virtue, patriotism, and their train of blessings, for the world.

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nation's eulogy, of Heaven's benedictions still more worthy. For characters Sunday-school can supply the needed tions still more worthy. For characters such as these our world is not one of bubbles, fancies, and chimeras, but of might if it could and would; but it well enough for idle pastime on a to the latter, even if all our children

> matter, for it is no child's play. Here is our opportunity. In the name of every true American we step forth upon the platform of our own religious principles, throw down the gauntlet to the agnostic, infidel, and free-thinker, daring them to prove the advantage of non-religious schools. The burden of the argument is in its proof. Facts the comparison, but "thumbs up, thumbs down, wiggle, waggle," about all any sensible person can make out of our pelitical manœuvring, at best a sad comment upon our

boasted patriotism?

What the record of our court-rooms, tirety must be reckoned with as in-cluding the eternal future not less than the possible three-score-years-and-acter of our public officials? Are the scales of justice equally balanced? If the retrospect credits us with so few gains and so many losses, how will it be in another decade or two, when finality, but, by the great law and chain of association, reaching from eternity to eternity, becomes inevitably the cause and sequence for good or ill to countless others, we begin to catch a faint etimpse of life's real meaning. The are individual, national questions, weighted with our country's destiny. Let this Rubicon, so long a dividing line, become a connecting link. Let the church, college and country run in parallel lines, each aiding the other freely and with a will; then will love for the one sacred and pure, only intensify love

Any life without a purpose, grand and full of inspiration carried into the least details, is no life at all. "There can be nothing small that have the same and pure, only intensify love for the others.

Remember well that the maxims given by the great Founder of Christianity form the basis of all limits. the rights of mankind are protected, and of which the highest and best purer, and society better, or the souls of men holy." With any motive less civilization is the outcome. Imbue our youth with these maxims, then we need not make this nation our boast; it will become its own certifi-

cate and voucher.

Our legislators take their cue from the people. If they demand purity and straightforward dealing at the ballot-box and in the nation's councils, these factors must be there, simply because the people will take nothing

because the people with the best people less, nothing else.

Our familiar phrases, level-headed, well-balanced, fully-equipped, best express the brand with which the world's educators must be stamped. The fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man are essential ideas of all true civilization, developing a charity limited only by opportunity for

more within our borders.

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