

To Mr. Murray we tender our sincere sympathy and would say: "More homelike seems the vast unknown,
 "Since she has entered there.
 To follow her were not so hard,
 Wherever she may fare
 She cannot be where God is not
 On any sea or shore.
 What'er betides, thy love abides,
 One God for evermore."

Last week brought welcome showers of rain, and warm weather now prevailing, there is every assurance of a good crop this year.

A new confessional, certainly a very fine piece of workmanship, has been placed in the Church. It is a great credit to Mr. Keenan, who is the architect.

A Marquee erected in Gratton school grounds, where the "ante" and "post" reception could be held for worshippers in St. Mary's, might be in order. Indeed the German band might be in attendance. The misuse of the English language by passers by, on account of the impassable state of the sidewalk might thus be avoided. Regina Catholics, move on.

Your correspondent certainly feels grateful to the readers of "Regina notes" who have sent so many kind words of enquiry both verbally and through the mails during the enforced temporary absence of the "Notes" from the columns of your valuable paper. These courtesies are very pleasing, and the fact of being told that we are missed, is most acceptable, even though we feel satisfied that we really and candidly do not deserve what is so kindly said of us.

GENA MACFARLANE.

FIRST PRINCIPLES IN EDUCATION.

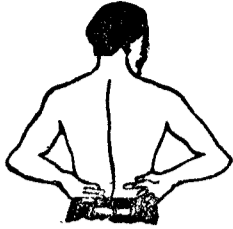
A Paper Read Before the Dominion Educational Association, by Rev. Lewis Drummond, 'S.J.

The thoughts which I purpose submitting to your kind consideration turn on the importance of First Principles in Education. By "first principles" I mean the fundamental assumptions on which an educator works, the philosophical basis of his efforts. He may not call it his philosophy, but such it undoubtedly is. No mistake can be greater than to suppose that philosophy is but a mental luxury for the few. An implicit, unconscious, but very real, philosophy possesses the mind and influences the conduct of every peasant. Metaphysical doctrines, sooner or later, filter down from intellectual summits to the lowest social stata, and become, for weal or woe, the very marrow of the bones, first of a school, then of a society, ultimately of a nation.

If, for instance, we find among a large class of teachers a marked tendency to take up with whatever is new, and as the phrase goes, "up-to-date" in education, we may be sure that this tendency springs from the unquestioned axiom or first principle that the human intellect is developing from an originally savage state to a future state of unimaginable perfection. Once admit this as a first principle and you are justified in expecting that the newest theories, provided they meet with a pretty general acceptance from those of our contemporaries whom popular rumor stamps as experts, are very likely the best. But, to every independent thinker will occur the previous question, "Is this principle based on fact?" Is there any instance in history of a savage race becoming civilized and cultured by its own unaided impetus towards perfection?

On the other hand, does not recent experience show how arduous and how seldom permanently effectual is the process, even when applied by highly civilized and devoted teachers, of civilizing the savage?

Does history prove that the natural impetus towards perfection produces in fact anything like progressive development of the higher powers of the mind? On the contrary, do not the open records of the human race describe periods of great intellectual development in the fine arts, literature and philosophy followed by other periods of marked intellectual inferiority? Does not the history of every known nation, if sufficiently pro-



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longed, present epochs of growth, either rapid or gradual, culminating in an age of comparative splendor, followed by decay?

The answer to these questions is obvious to the educator who studies the past. Steeped as he is in the traditions of bygone ages, he is fully armed against the enticements of attractive novelties. He first inquires if they are really as new as they pretend to be, and in nine cases out of ten he finds, as the Wise Man did 3,000 years ago, that, in the higher regions of mentality, "there is nothing new under the sun." He is thus happily saved from that waste of energy that issues in the discovery of secrets never lost, an operation which a witty Frenchman styled "discovering the Mediterranean." He feels immeasurable pity for those who at the beginning and throughout the whole course of their pedagogical career are handicapped by a profound ignorance of the masterpieces of antiquity. They have no real personal acquaintance with the philosophical acumen of Plato and Aristotle, the resistless militant logic of Demosthenes, the luxuriant eloquence of Cicero, the terse wisdom of Horace and Tacitus, the startling antitheses of Augustine, the luminous intuitions of Aquinas, the melodious rhythm of that Mantuan poet whom Tennyson styled "wielder of the stateliest measure ever moulded by the lips of man."

Having only the vaguest general information about these deathless monuments of genius in the remote past, the up-to-date pedagogue despises what he does not understand; he has THAT HALF-KNOWLEDGE which is worse than mere ignorance, since it adds to ignorance the presumption of the fool. And the mischief is that in some countries the leaders of pedagogic movements are almost all drawn from that shallow class. Being shallow, they are easily dazzled by the mechanical inventions and scientific discoveries of our day and they forget that none of these discoveries approach in value or importance the simplest and most elementary of necessary truths, for example, the necessity of a First Cause.

In all other trades and professions no man attempts to be a teacher unless he has first assimilated the collective wisdom of the ages; no builder of steam engines rejects past principles of his craft unless they have been proved wrong; at least he makes sure that he has tried them all before he adopts new ones, else he will have his fellow craftsmen twist him with ignorance of first principles. But pedagogy of a certain fashionable type dispenses with all such precautions. It rushes in where angels fear to tread. It inaugurates some new fad on the bare word of some plausible promoter who has a pecuniary interest in the success of that fad. It experiments upon the plastic minds of innocent children. Instead of developing the latent powers of the child's mind, which ought to be one of the chief aims of education, this type of teacher wants to cram it with ill digested erudition. "Give the pupil facts, broad information, varied instruction," is his watchword.

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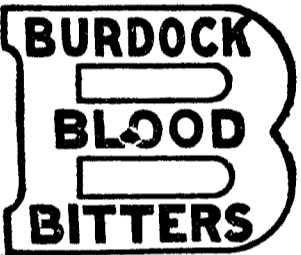
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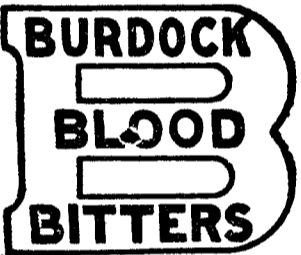
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