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HOW YOUNG WOMEN SHOULD BE EDUCATED.

By Julia Ward Howe.

The greatest object of education is the formation of character. It may not suit the ambition of youth to be told at the outset that an honorable and useful citizenship is the highest end attainable by the individual, and that most desirable to the society of which he is to form a part. The true lesson of life, however, is this and none other. Women in the past have been trained mostly to exemplify the passive side of morality. Meekness, patience, receptivity, traits relieved by an amiable and amusing frivolity—these elements more or less varied by differences of environment and circumstances, have been looked upon as the most prominent and important in the feminine make-up. An ancient rhyme says: "A woman, a dog, and a hickory tree, The more you beat them, the better they be."

Even the immortal Shakespeare shows us the pitiable subjection of the shrew as a forerunner of the ideal. The concession of the higher education to women marks more than any other measure the progress of the last fifty years. It implies on the part of society a tacit confession of the injustice so long done them in their exclusion from the opportunities of a training corresponding to their natural ability and best aspirations. The bonds arbitrarily put on them by the selfishness and ignorance of past ages are now removed, and women equally with men may say:

"Nihil humanum me alienum puto." Surely, in the use of their liberty so counsel on the part of elders may be helpful, especially if it refers to the eternal womanly, to the precious traditions of the sex, wrought out in the long past by many a noble intellect, by many a commanding character. Saints, heroines and martyrs, many of them unrecognized as such, have helped to form the ideal womanhood which has led to the present happy era, and which still points beyond it to new efforts, to new achievements for the good of the race.

While in the plan of education the diversities of talent and of circumstance should receive our consideration, we must not forget that the cardinal points of training are properly the same for all. Every girl should be taught to look upon herself as a member of a civilized, Christian community, and as such be bound to hold the interests of such a community dear and sacred. She should early learn that no woman lives to herself alone. As the natural guardian of the home she is bound to have in charge of her domestic life the most intimate sources of well-being. If she marries it should be with a view only to the personal suiting of mates and circumstances, but with an earnest desire to fulfill the duties and to devote the dignities which belong to her station. If she has children she must train them from the start as servants of the state and as members of the church universal. To the individual the great values of life are in thought and affection. Each of these has its man and its heroic side, the facile sympathies of youth can be led in the right direction. The responsibility implied in this statement is no momentous burden. Margaret Fuller in the early days of her maternal experience was heard to exclaim: "God be merciful to me, a sinner!" Which we may interpret thus: "How shall I, a fallible being, dare to undertake the guidance of this immortal soul?" This much we may say, that in this guidance should always give place to the generous and helpful holding of both.

Girls of special promise are often trained to a self-worship which goes far to neutralize the beneficent effect of their intellectual endowments. An ideal opposite to this may be found in Dante's praise of Beatrice: "Such virtue rare her beauty hath, in sooth No envy stirs in other ladies breast; But in its light they walk beside her, dressed, In gentleness and love, and noble truth. Her looks whate'er they light on seem to be."

In what I have now tried to say I am aware that many departures from the ideal are to be found. Of all the things which it is well to know, who could give account in the space allotted to the present paper? If we have succeeded in rightly indicating the spirit in which the education of our girls should be undertaken, and the objects which it should keep in view, my labor will not be wholly thrown away.

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Having done our best to prepare the youthful mind for acquisition in the moral departments of learning, let us ask accordingly to what order and method we shall furnish the fair receptacle with its treasure.

People with still smaller appreciation of language are anxious to adorn the minds of their children with a smattering of foreign languages. And so these children are torn from the bosom of their mother country and carried into strange lands, in order that they may forget the grand inheritance of their native tongue and become aliens to its true significance.

Next, logic—not the technical dialect of the Scotch and German schools, but a discipline, which shall point out the true sequence of facts and ideas. This always with reference to real life, in which the greatest failures often come from an irrational mode of reasoning. I once knew a lad in whom the promise of intellectuality, attainment appeared to be only moderate. I learned, however, that in his class one day the question had been asked: "How shall we measure the strength of a chain which has one weak link?" This youth at once replied: "The chain will only be as strong as the one weak link." This changed my opinion of his mental capacity, and my later view has since been amply justified.

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Of the three great disciplines, mathematics, metaphysics and linguistics, the choice should in some degree depend upon the mental endowment of the student. I should stipulate for as much knowledge of Greek and Latin as will explain the indebtedness of the English language to those tongues.

For so much of metaphysics that a palpable fallacy shall not impose upon the pupil's mind. For so much of mathematics as will explain the processes of astronomical observation as the pupil may have the opportunity and desire to attain. I should always advise a well-directed study of the Bible. The part which this book has borne in the social and religious progress of the race renders it an indispensable aid to the right understanding of religious history and doctrine. Few people of culture to-day accept the Book as the literal and sole word of God, but that it is foremost among the works of God the Western nations will not deny.

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BIRTHS.

In this city, November 21, to Mr. A. George Blair, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

W. THOMPSON—At 14 Queen street, by the Rev. Dr. A. Gregory, William F. Vincent, of Liverpool, to Mary Thompson, of St. John, N. B.

DEATHS.

On the 20th inst., Mrs. M. J. James, aged 72 years, died at her residence, 141 St. John street, after a long illness.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived. Tuesday, Nov. 19. Stmr St. Croix, 1041, Pikes, Boston via Portland and Eastport, W. G. Rice, master, and pass.

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They are likely to be despondent and it is not unusual to find them borrowing trouble as if they hadn't enough already.

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