

the case of college men looking to business pursuits, but deal with the question in the broadest manner as affecting the interests of the great body of students. It may, of course, be argued that an Arts college is not designed to be a business school or a technical institution; but that its true function is realized in development and culture. This is readily recognized as its legitimate sphere. Yet, while power and grace are being gained, *cannot* and *should not*, a more real contribution be made to preparation for practical life than the average course of studies suggests, as apposed to a culture more or less artificial? Notwithstanding the unspeakable advantages of an Arts training; even with the enlargement and direction of thought and purpose for which the college as it is to-day is to be thanked, the question at the head of this paragraph is pertinent and is worthy of a careful investigation.

An International Language.

FEW of the magazines that come to our table take rank with *Cosmopolitan*. Its numerous articles on educational subjects are always attractive, not to mention the thoughtful treatment of current topics. This journal occupies a proud position among present day periodicals and seems to be ambitious to inaugurate great as well as beneficent movements. For some years attention has been given to the possibility of constructing a language for all nations. At the present, active preparations are in progress towards this end. Philological researches and comparisons are in operation. Some of the most eminent scientists and educators of the day are enlisted in the enterprise. The undertaking is by no means insignificant. It strikes the average mortal as gigantic. Its progress will be watched with the keenest interest

Erratum.

UNADVERTENTLY in last issue, the proper place of the biographical sketch was taken by another article. We regret the change in the order of contents that occurred. However, we know that the account of the life of Dr. Elder was read with eager interest, both because of the eminence of the subject and the excellence of the communication itself. Also the contribution on "The Value of a College Residence" which had a conspicuous position deals with a matter of so great importance that it would be exceedingly difficult to give it too much prominence before our readers.