

or more accurate mathematical knowledge displayed anywhere by a class of pupils.

How are we to make loyal citizens of our pupils? This can alone secure the future prosperity of Montreal. Surely, when we survey our magnificent harbor (unequalled except by Liverpool), Mount Royal and other points of our natural situation, it is easy to find inspiring words. If buildings be in question, we can show churches, banks, stores, schools, colleges, etc. We can point to heroes renowned in the history of the past and noble benefactors who still dwell among us. Private generosity has monuments in our Art Gallery, Victoria Hospital, General Hospital, etc. But chiefly would we point to those to whose generosity our University owes so much. It is a continual incentive in our midst to self-improvement and consequent improvement of our schools. She has, by opening her doors to us women, made us realize more clearly than ever the value of an education. For, of course, however proud we are of our city in other respects, we value chiefly its educational status. Our educational advantages are unrivalled on this continent; for the University has raised the standard of our public schools, by granting her matriculation examination to close our school course.

Now, advance in standing of any community is in direct ratio to the education of that community. An ignorant community cannot form a good government, nor can an intelligent community fail to be prosperous. This is axiomatic.

Perhaps no tendency of the age is more repulsive to the general public than that of women to claim their rights too independently. For this, we may blame those who seem to believe their right to be to take the best of everything to the entire exclusion of men. But such women, though often quoted, must be comparatively few. I never knew one. I know they must exist from reading the newspapers, but they must form a less per cent. of our number than the followers of Malthus among the men. I am afraid Lord Lytton's "Coming Race" and Rider Haggard's "She" are blamable to a certain extent for our disfavor. But, at least, equally repulsive is the opposite type given us in Anderson's "Patient Griselda." What is the just medium? This is essentially a century of change. Women are gradually declaring and proving their ability and willingness to bear the burden of their own support. It is no longer absolutely necessary that every woman in the family should be dependent upon the men—to be reduced to unknown straits and intolerable suffering on the