

properly developed. Time is necessary, also, for the proper mental and physical growth of the rising generation. The expansion of brain tissue, above all, should not be overtaxed by excessive burdens in the way of brain cramming. No two faces in the whole human family are precisely alike, and the same diversity exists as to brain power and brain capacity. Let us be natural, and exactly what a kind Providence made us. This age is one surrounded by great evidences of progress in science, in literature and in art, and the great masters in any one of these departments of thought were not overtaxed in the period of youth by mental strain. The men to-day who guide and direct our Dominion have not had the common-sense educated out of them. Well directed mental training is certainly necessary, and to be of practical utility in after life, too much care and attention cannot be bestowed on the education of the young, who will in time be called upon to occupy important positions in the varied paths of life's duty. To our young medical men we look for careful observation in this direction, in which much useful and practical work, in the way of reforms, may be brought about. Our Canadian children compare favorably with those in any other part of the world, as far as intellectual activity is concerned, and our aim and object should be to preserve the gifts of nature, glowing with more than ordinary lustre around the cerebral thrones of a rising generation. The more closely this whole subject is thought over, the more attention will it attract. The addition of a work-room to each public school, where children might employ even half a day in each week in making various articles in wood used in every-day life, would greatly encourage them in study, turn their practical genius to account, and, in a new country like Canada, with a great North-West, render them better able to grapple with the varied vicissitudes of life. Mental and physical training thus combined would give force and vigor to the system generally, and draw out the special aptitude of many for particular lines of duty. There is no more useless member of society than he who knows everything and can do nothing. At the present time it is necessary to be prepared for any emergency, and education should be so directed as to achieve