

# The Educational Crisis in B. C.

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...that smiling nunchenka  
...supper, she forgot the pride  
...hold her silent so long and  
...asked for the one who had  
...m, he done gone for a walk  
...morning—cant, as she drew  
...but he caution me mightly hard  
...ergit number been. Yaas m,  
...be on de train; couldn't rightly  
...sly m, he do be berry nice  
...m, he do so; yaas m.  
...interminable evening was over  
...filled as it had been with in-  
...tent talk and the continual re-  
...e of hope and disappointment  
...door opened to admit—every  
...the one who never came. Bed-  
...me at last, and, as she drew  
...ins, Charlie, looking very im-  
...and a note. Sitting in the  
...old see, she tore open the en-  
...and scarcely saw the green  
...fluttered to her lap. The  
...man abruptly—  
...hours, he brought declinat-  
...abatement. It was cowardly,  
...my struggle on your shoulders,  
...kept your watch—perhaps you  
...that I had to. Let me keep it  
...an.  
...dared to enclose something  
...beg you to use, as I fear you  
...going into a city where you  
...friends, and it will be a com-  
...inconvenient until you grip  
...ard.  
...not trust myself to see you  
...My new strength is none too  
...It is not easy to go without a  
...It is impossible to go without  
...to believe that you will be  
...for that that is good in  
...of  
...“A STRANGER”  
...out the long night that fol-  
...was the woman's turn to fol-  
...a vigil she never forgot—  
...down creeping into the sec-  
...wed the crumpled letter, she  
...shly clasped in her hand,  
...th no confusion to herald its  
...the limited drew into the

About 10 o'clock, on Monday night,  
...the great error. Boreas, the  
...The vertex of the perpendicular  
...shafts of electric white and  
...in an E. direction. These flicker-  
...and intermittent flashes were of  
...two distinct kinds. Some taking a  
...stippled form, broad bands of  
...bluish white light, at one  
...moment broadening into a flame-like  
...path across the heavens, stretching  
...to a great effect as of a burning  
...fire, many miles to the north east  
...behind the mountains. Then, like a  
...rocket, there shot up a broad  
...fire, there shot up for a  
...moment one thin line of quivering  
...fire, aimed exactly for the  
...apparent central point of the in-  
...ter, that it produced the effect  
...of a perpendicular crack in the dome  
...of heaven.  
...Then motion ceased and the  
...electric fire gathered itself into a  
...prolonged effort of mimicry,  
...producing a brilliant dawn, right un-  
...der the Pole star.  
...The ancient personified "Aurora"  
...as a goddess, and her attendant  
...the "Northern Streamers," or "Polar  
...lights" as they are called, is a mimic  
...of the sun, and has nothing to do  
...with her phenomena.  
...All the most exquisite effects of  
...moonlight, prolechnic, long distance  
...vision, and a winter sunrise, were  
...reproduced in succession, the far  
...more brilliant and prolonged exhibi-  
...tions, which have long been known  
...in the regions, can hardly be more beautiful  
...than these which are not uncommon  
...in British Columbia.  
...There are only three possible solu-  
...tions of the higher education ques-  
...tion in British Columbia. The first  
...two may be described as varieties of  
...a laissez faire policy. They are:  
(1) The old colonial policy.  
(2) The pseudo-British policy,  
...which comports in theory the fostering  
...of government education on a British  
...mother, and of private enterprise on  
...faulty stonemasonry lines, but denotes  
...in practice a policy of go-as-you-  
...please.  
(3) The policy of the Royal Society  
...for the Augmentation of Learning,  
...the policy which is at once truly ideal-  
...istic and cosmopolitan, truly national  
...and truly British.  
...The first is a policy of laissez faire,  
...dominial, and up-to-date—the  
...policy of "through."  
...The Old Colonial Policy  
...The Calgary Daily News recently  
...mediated with some acerbity the  
...title of "colony" on behalf of the  
...dominion of Canada. Perhaps it is time  
...that some of the powder we are spend-  
...ing on the fight for "Better Terms"  
...be devoted to the study of a  
...Terminology. Our pet word "Ter-  
...minology" is indeed free from those  
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To make him barely a "literate" is  
...all very well. In our day this is a  
...sufficiently high standard, and  
...even the rulers, that the white man  
...knows. But it is not enough.  
...That, satisfying combination of  
...brawny strength and battle-tested  
...Florence and Fiesole, Siena and  
...Rome, with merchant palaces and  
...civic halls no less remarkable for their  
...isolated and splendid interdependence of these  
...architectural marvels upon each other  
...in the production of a whole city  
...of beauty and grandeur, which  
...would never have been achieved but  
...for the observance of that bulwark  
...maxim, which differentiates the Greek  
...from the European, that the  
...all that the Moors of Africa or the  
...gorgeous architects of Islam and In-  
...dia and China have achieved.  
...It is a convincing charm of that  
...tower of towers which for five  
...centuries has cast its spell upon Ox-  
...ford, so that lovers and experts of  
...woodwork and architecture, Salisbury  
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...In the sands are running in the hour-  
...glass. Now or never you must contend  
...for a provincial fabric of education,  
...which shall borrow from the ancient  
...but the only their basic solidity,  
...one and were greatly shaped  
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...Scotland, tumbled into the educa-  
...tional systems which are their boast.  
...We have indeed no better models,  
...no more finished examples of excel-  
...lence, or sturdy progress toward ex-  
...cellence, England and Scotland are  
...in this respect very much alike—es-  
...pecially Scotland, which never seems  
...to have had its doctor Barlow nor  
...its Mr. Wadford Sowerby, but which,  
...on the other hand, never quite suc-  
...ceeded in producing a Winchester,  
...an Oxford, or a King's college, London.  
...But there are convincing but well-  
...meaning persons about and around  
...who, swelling, nay, pointing with  
...patriotism, leave themselves neither  
...breath, for visual comparison, nor  
...along with the old imported "goods,"  
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Club, seven hundred mice, forty rats,  
...seven cats, and two dogs. All on  
...the best of terms.  
...When a Daily News representative  
...called on Mrs. Roberts, Lord  
...Roberts was sitting on a chair, and  
...looking merrily with Champion Wor-  
...cester China. Lord Roberts is a lovely  
...old creature, and his Champion  
...Worcester China is the name of a  
...black and white rat, worth 25.  
...Well, what do you think of my  
...Noah's ark? Mrs. Roberts. "These  
...are my pets. I cannot understand  
...why people should be frightened of  
...rats. When you get to know them,  
...they are ten times more faithful and  
...loving than kittens. All my pets are  
...on a strict equality. In this room  
...rat and mouse are both brought to  
...its fellow creature."  
...Champion Worcester China, Mrs.  
...Roberts' favorite, has never been  
...beaten at a show in its own class, it  
...has won the challenge rat cup, besides  
...a special prize and two silver cups.  
...Mrs. Roberts' pet rat, which is a  
...morning on parrot mixture, oat and  
...canary seed, and dine at 6 on bread  
...and milk and oats.  
...Mrs. Roberts has made a specialty of  
...breeding mice, and in the wire cages  
...ranged round the dining-room are  
...some of the finest specimens to be  
...seen in the city. There is a blue  
...mouse, a fawn and silver fawn mouse,  
...chocolate, brown and cinnamon col-  
...our. Dutch mouse is evenly marked in  
...white and black.  
...Here is my pet tri-color, a black,  
...white and fawn mouse," said Mrs.  
...Roberts. "I recently had a blue  
...show mouse, but one of the other  
...bit the end of its tail off, and so dis-  
...qualified it."  
...Mrs. Roberts' fame as a mouse  
...breeder extends throughout the coun-  
...try. A little while ago a wild field  
...mouse, caught at Mr. E. Cassel's place  
...near New Westminster, was sent to her  
...with instructions to tame it. Mr.  
...Parkes did in six months, and return-  
...ed it to its owner a quiet, lovable little  
...creature.  
...The Horse and the Indian  
... (From Forest and Stream.)  
...The first horses seen by the main-  
...land Indians were those of the  
...Spanish invaders of Mexico. A few  
...years later De Soto brought the horse  
...into Florida and westward to the Mis-  
...sissippi, while Coronado, on his march  
...to Quivira in 1541, introduced the horse  
...to the great plains. When the Aztec  
...saw the mounted men of Cortes  
...they supposed them to be gods, and  
...one was greatly struck by the shape  
...of the animal. The classical Cen-  
...tury owed its origin to a like miscon-  
...ception. A tradition existed among  
...the Pawnee that their ancestors had  
...taken a mule ridden by a man for a  
...single animal and shot at it from con-  
...cealment, capturing the mule when the  
...man fell.  
...The horse was a marvel to the In-  
...dians and came to be regarded as  
...sacred. For a long time it was wor-  
...shipped by the Aztec, and by most of  
...the tribes was considered a holy  
...mysterious or sacred character. Its  
...origin was explained by a number of  
...myths representing horses to have  
...come out of the earth through lakes  
...and springs or from the sun. When  
...Antonio de Espejo visited the Hopi of  
...Arizona in 1583 the Indians told him  
...cotton scarfs or kilts on the ground  
...for the horses to walk on, believing  
...the latter to be sacred. "This sacred  
...character is somewhat peculiar to the  
...names given to the horse as in the  
...Dakota sunka wakan, "mysterious  
...dog," its use in transportation ac-  
...counts for the term "dog-wagon" ap-  
...plied to it, as the Siksika ponokamita,  
..."elk dog," Creek stam, "big dog,"  
...Shawnee mishawa, "elk." (See Cham-  
...berlain in Am. Geog., 1870, p. 151.)  
...The southern plains proved very fa-  
...vorable, and horses greatly multiplied.  
...Stray and escaped horses formed wild  
...herds, and, as they had few carnivor-  
...ous enemies, their numbers increas-  
...ed astonishingly rapid. The move-  
...ment of the horse was from south to  
...north, at about an equal rate on both  
...sides of the mountains. It moved  
...northward in three ways: (1) The  
...increase of the wild horses and their  
...dispersal into the west was rapid.  
(2) For 150 years before the explo-  
...ration of the west by residents of the  
...United States, Spaniards from the  
...Mexican provinces had been making  
...long journeys northward, and had  
...ward to trade with the Indians, even  
...it is said, as far north as the camps  
...of the Kiowa, when these were living  
...on Tongue River. (3) As early as  
...Indiana, nearest to the Spanish set-  
...tlement, appreciated the uses of the  
...horse they began to make trading ex-  
...peditions to capture horses, and as  
...knowledge of the animal extended, the  
...tribes still further to the north began  
...to procure horses from the Indians  
...south of them. So it was that tribes  
...in the south had the first horses and  
...always had the greatest number, while  
...the tribes furthest north had the few-  
...est and always had fewer of them.  
...Some tribes declare that they pos-  
...sessed horses for some time before  
...they learned the uses to which they  
...could be put.  
...On the north Atlantic coast horses  
...were imported early in the 17th cen-  
...tury, and the Indians possessed them  
...toward the end of that century. They  
...were regularly breeding them prior  
...to 1736. For the northern plains they  
...first obtained from the region west of the Rocky Moun-  
...tains, the Siksika having obtained  
...their first horses from the Kutenai,  
...Shoshoni and other tribes across the  
...mountains, about the year 1800. W.  
...T. Hamilton, who met the Nez Perces,  
...Cayuse, and other tribes of the Colum-  
...bian region between 1840 and 1850, tells  
...of the tradition among them that  
...when they had no horses, but  
...having learned of their existence in  
...the south, the purpose for which  
...they were used, and the great impor-  
...tance they made up a strong war-  
...party, went south and captured  
...horses. It is impossible to fix the  
...dates at which any tribes procured  
...their horses, and, since many of the  
...Plains tribes wandered in small bodies  
...from place to place, it is probable that  
...some bands acquired the horse a long  
...time before other sections of the same  
...tribe. The Cheyenne relate variously  
...by that they procured their first horses  
...from the Arapaho, from the Kiowa, and  
...from the Shoshoni, and all these state-  
...ments may be true for different bodies.  
...A very definite statement is made that  
...they received their first horses from  
...the Kiowa at the time the Kiowa lived  
...on Tongue river. The Cheyenne did  
...not cross the Mississippi until toward  
...the end of the 17th century. For some  
...time they resided on that stream, and  
...their progress in working toward the  
...westward and southward to the Black  
...Powder river and Tongue river was  
...slow. They probably did not encoun-  
...ter the Kiowa until many years long  
...before the middle of the 18th century  
...and it is possible that the Kiowa did  
...not then possess horses. Black Moc-  
...assin reports trustworthy but in-  
...complete knowledge and his dates, declared that  
...the Cheyenne obtained horses about  
...1780. The Pawnee are known to  
...have had horses, and it is probable that  
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...tury. Carver makes no mention of  
...seeing horses among the Sioux that he  
...met in 1787 in west Minnesota, but in  
...1776 the elder Alexander Henry saw  
...them among the Assinibon, while  
...traveling a few years later, spoke of  
...horses as common, some being bran-  
...ded, showing that they had been taken  
...from Spanish settlements.  
...Loves Rats and Mice  
...In her cosy little dining-room in  
...Luna street, Chelsea, London, Mrs.  
...Parkes, an inveterate lover of mice,  
...and a member of the National Mouse

The subject of my talk with you  
...this week will be that of the photog-  
...raphy of cloudland.  
...To me this is quite one of the most  
...interesting branches of our work, as  
...there is a never-ending variety of  
...scapes available for us to practice on.  
...Day by day and hour by hour the as-  
...pect of the heavens changes, unfolding  
...new beauties and fresh charms where-  
...to delight the eye. In the early  
...days of photography little attention  
...was paid to the sky in landscape  
...work, as the technical difficulties of  
...getting a good negative were so great  
...as to comparatively prevent the pho-  
...tographer from devoting any large  
...amount of time to the artistic com-  
...position of his pictures.  
...The majority of men got over the  
...difficulty by bringing in as little an  
...amount of sky as possible on the  
...focusing screen, but as things im-  
...proved and the artistic possibilities of  
...the camera forced themselves into a  
...position of prominence, it was soon  
...realized that something would have  
...to be done to remedy the defect.  
...If I remember rightly, it was the  
...late H. P. Robinson who insisted upon  
...on the importance of the sky as an  
...essential part of the artistic com-  
...position, through his many writings on the  
...subject, brought the matter prominently  
...before the notice of photographers.  
...In this regard, viz. the technical and  
...artistic, but it is more especially  
...the former that I am concerned,  
...and the space at my disposal will only  
...allow me to lightly touch upon the lat-  
...ter.  
...Different Methods  
...Let us start away then by consid-  
...ering the various methods whereby  
...we can obtain good cloud pictures; the  
...most important one to the photog-  
...rapher whose aims are high, and who  
...wishes to obtain a picture which will  
...please him in every way, is that  
...which is known as the "printing-in"  
...method.  
...In this we require two negatives,  
...one of the landscape itself and an-  
...other of the sky chosen to go there-  
...with.  
... "Don't say a word, please. I haven't  
...lost my watch and pocketbook and  
...everything, and I've not dodged reas-  
...suringly in answer to his gasp of  
...astonishment. "Yes, yes, I'll  
...bring it all over in a minute, but  
...now I must be quick. Mr. Malvern's  
...stepson will be here any moment—I  
...don't know how soon, and—and—"  
...she looked away musingly, and her  
...eyes came back steadily. "Now, don't  
...interrupt, but listen. I want you to  
...tell me that I refuse to permit him  
...to serve as trustee, and I don't  
...don't, in the least matter, what the  
...law says; I refuse, and you must fix  
...somehow. Let him take the old  
...money, and let him go, and let me  
...hard"—this with another nod—"before  
...I will submit to any dictates of the  
...law on this subject. My mind is made  
...up, and I have no intention of being  
...an executor or trustee, or whatever  
...legal people call it, would mean a ter-  
...rible sacrifice to him. Oh, I have it  
...in my mind, and I have heard some-  
...where that I sing, and he hates the  
...name, as much as—as he does me.  
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