

an important phase of education, and has a few luminaries for its advocates, such as Dr. Elliott, of Harvard College, and Dr. D. J. Goggin, Supt. of Ed., N. W. T., in the sphere of pedagogy (for its advocates). Both these gentlemen hold and maintain that good morals, or ethics, can be as systematically taught as any other subject of the school course. From the fact that questions of right and wrong are more frequently discussed in the social and business relations of life than the weather we deem that the subject of Christian morals should receive more regular teaching. The educational maxim, "learn to do by knowing," is as true in ethics as right acting are the primary social requirements in moral education. Some are of opinion that the subject of morals is best taught incidentally with other lessons, but there is evidently a fallacy in such specious reasoning. True, any subject on the curriculum may to some extent be taught incidentally. Shakespeare says: "All the world is a stage and all the men and women players." Some other writer has said: "All the world is a school and all the men and women merely scholars." We learn many lessons incidentally in the experience of life, but few teachers would be willing to allow the important subject of arithmetic, long regarded as the "poor man's logic," to be left to incidental teaching. Therefore, every branch of knowledge should receive systematic treatment.

The question of Christian Socialism is a problem for solution in the 20th century. It is diffi-

cult to give a concise definition of this subject, like love, it is an "indescribable something." To say everything that might be said on this important topic one would need to write a book. To briefly express socialism it is a practical application of the golden rule, viz.: "Do to others as you wish others should do to you." The best exposition we have of the ethics of Christian socialism is the sermon on the Mount. Christ was the greatest teacher of reforms and of socialism the world ever saw.

Some time ago I read a few tributes on the life of the late lamented President McKinley. One speaker pithily expressed the worth of his character thus: "President McKinley was a man who squared his life with the ten commandments, and the sermon on the Mount." Moreover, the character and life history of Queen Victoria the Good was another written epistle of socialism. To put it algebraically such lives—Socialism.

Socialism is an ideal to be reached in the twentieth century, but as we cannot make men moral and industrious by Acts of Parliament alone, we must to a great measure depend for the accomplishment of this end to industrial education, the influence of the press, and the lessons of Christian ethics from the pulpit.

Christian Socialism is based in many particulars on the teachings of the Sermon on the Mount, in fact, Socialism is largely akin to Christianity, for Christ must be considered a pioneer Socialist—"He went about doing good."