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THAT SYSTEM OF TEACHING.

Still Another Pupil Discusses the Arithmetic as Exemplified at the C. C. I.

Claims That the Method is an Excellent One and of Much Value in After Life.

Editor Planet:

Dear Sir—In reference to the correspondence that has appeared in your paper in which Mr. Taylor's method of teaching arithmetic is called in question, I would like to say a few things. I notice that Mr. Taylor is being scored on the ground his work on arithmetic did not meet with the approbation of the board of inspectors who sat in judgment upon his work. Mr. Scott, one of the authorities quoted by Another Pupil, is the author of the High School Grammar. (This, no doubt, should make him a competent judge of matters mathematical. Nevertheless I don't think that I am far wrong when I state that few teachers in the C. C. I. have ever followed Scott's book at all rigidly. Although this is the authorized grammar and at the same time it is edited by an authority, both in English and "Mathematics," so eminent as to conclusively prove all Another Pupil's arguments, I can candidly state that, during the three years I was a pupil at the C. C. I., this text book was but seldom used. All the pupils owned one of these grammars. They had to buy it because it was authorized, but they might just as well have saved their money.

Since Mr. Scott passed the final decision upon Mr. Taylor's effort in such a peremptory manner, as "Another Pupil" states, does anyone know who formed the "Court of Cassation," that placed Inspector Scott's grammar upon such a high pedestal that it towered above its competitors? Now, to every lover of justice does it not appear unfair to make such a decision the basis of condemnation when the judge himself is open to competition along the line of authorized text-books.

There is another point I would like to call your attention to. Politics hold too great a place in the authorizing of text books and had Mr. Taylor been of the same "Liberal" political faith as "Inspector Scott," the Taylor arithmetic would now be one of the authorized text books. May it not have been political influence and not that of merit purely, that was the cause of Mr. Taylor's book not being recognized by the educational department? Everybody knows that the educational department of Ontario is rotten with politics and party yields a mighty power along such lines.

Mr. Taylor, I believe to be a teacher who has mastered his noble profession by hard, practical experience, and I firmly believe that he carries out the requirements of the curriculum in a highly successful manner. In the teaching of arithmetic, the value from a worldly sense is to a large degree over when the pupil reaches the C. C. I. He then has a knowledge of the fundamental principles which form the greater part of a practical business education. The work in the C. C. I. emphasizes largely the inapplicable from a standpoint of ordinary life but there is a higher and more important reason why this education should be continued. It is the training of the character towards the development of character. This is the invaluable part of education derived from the study of mathematics.

Now another pupil condemns a system in use because he never realized why arithmetic in its higher sphere of usefulness is made part of the curriculum. He expressly states so in his letter. How in the world could Another Pupil stand anywhere else than at the bottom of the class if he had no definite idea why he was studying the subject? Evidently his highest ambition was to pass examinations. These are only his own admissions. He further attacks Mr. Taylor's method upon the ground that "the student is so crammed with theories, principles and rules that, when practical work is required, he finds it impossible to relieve his overcharged brain, etc." He goes on to tell us that for his part he found it so. Can you wonder I could a ship without a rudder meet the fury of the gale without the means of guiding it? I have never known Mr. Taylor to have a student arrive at a conclusion unless the student had the reasons relative to the reaching of the conclusion required. Now, if the student who sent in his paper with the answers all right, had not the reasons relative to the reaching of correct conclusions, i. e., the answers, then the value of his work was lost and he didn't deserve to get any marks.

Examinations are for the purpose of ascertaining in how far the pupil has become a reasoning being. If his work didn't show this of what value was it? Correct answers were not nearly as important as proof that the pupil understood his work. He failed to give this proof and consequently received

no marks. He was like a mere machine into which problems were fed and the answers turned out.

Arithmetic when properly taught is a study that enables the student to meet the problems of his years with confidence that he can solve them.

From being a student under Mr. Taylor, I have vivid recollections of how by skillful questioning he led each member of the class to form his definition for himself or herself. The pupil thus formed a conclusion and understood the principle involved and in addition was able to give a definition in his own words. The definition might not be entirely correct or strictly in the words of the authorized text book but the definition was in the words of the student showing that he understood it. What better method of teaching can there be than this? I don't know whether I have made myself quite clear or not but I studied, for a number of years, under Mr. Taylor and, while I cordially dislike the man, I am a warm admirer of the teacher and his method. I couldn't still and see a good teacher abused by those who seem to so little recognize merit.

AN ADMIRER OF THE TEACHER.
Chatham, Jan. 25

THE ROOT OF THE MATTER.

He Cured Himself of Serious Stomach Trouble Down to First Principles

A man of large affairs in one of our prominent eastern cities by too close attention to business, too little exercise and too many club dinners, finally began to pay nature's tax, leaving in the form of stomach trouble; the failure of his digestion brought about a nervous irritability, making it impossible to apply himself to his daily business and finally deranging the kidneys and heart.

In his own words he says: "I consulted one physician after another and each one seemed to understand my case, but all the same they each failed to bring about the return of my former digestion, appetite and vigor. For two years I went from pillar to post, from one sanitarium to another, I gave up smoking, I quit coffee and even renounced my daily glass or two of beer, but without any marked improvement.

"Friends had often advised me to try a well-known proprietary medicine, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, and I had often perused the newspaper advertisements of the remedy, but never took any stock in advertising medicine nor could I believe a 50-cent patent medicine would touch my case.

"To make a long story short, I finally bought a couple of packages at the nearest drug store and took two or three tablets after each meal and occasionally a tablet between meals, when I felt any feeling of nausea or discomfort.

"I was surprised at the end of the first week to note a marked improvement in my appetite and general health and before the two packages were gone I was certain that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets were going to cure me completely and they did not disappoint me. I can eat and sleep and enjoy my coffee and cigar, and no one would suppose I had ever known the horrors of dyspepsia.

"Out of friendly curiosity, I wrote to the proprietors of the remedy asking for information as to what the tablets contained and they replied that the principal ingredients were aseptized pepsin (government test) malt diastase and other natural digestives which digest food regardless of the condition of the stomach.

The root of the matter is this, the digestive elements contained in Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will digest the food, give the overworked stomach a chance to recuperate and the nerves and whole system received the nourishment which can only come from food; real strength, they give a fictitious strength, invariably followed by reaction. Every drop of blood, every nerve and tissue is manufactured from our daily food, and if you can insure prompt action and complete digestion by the regular use of so good and wholesome a remedy as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, you will have no need of nerve tonics and sanitariums.

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REGAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

President Moore, of Thames Lodge, Sons of England, received the following telegram on Saturday night:—
Ottawa, Jan. 26.
W. A. Moore, Pres. Sons of England: I am directed by the Governor-General to inform you that His Excellency has been commanded by His Majesty the King to express to you and the members of your lodge His Majesty's heartfelt thanks for your kind message of sympathy.

CAPT. GRAHAM, Governor-General's Secy.

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SUBMITTED TO THE LOCAL BOARD.

A special meeting of the Hamilton Board of Education was held on Friday evening to consider what action should be taken in view of the death of Queen Victoria.

A motion of sympathy with His Majesty and the nation was passed by a standing vote and the following, which is respectfully submitted by The Planet for consideration by the local boards, adopted:—

Hugh Murray moved, seconded by S. F. Lazier, K. C., "That in recognition of the virtues and excellencies and glorious reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, whose death we deplore, the Public Schools and the Collegiate Institute be closed on Thursday afternoon, the 31st inst., and remain closed until Monday morning, the 4th of February. That in each of the classes the ordinary lessons be dispensed with during the afternoon session of Thursday, the 31st inst., but in lieu thereof the teachers shall instruct the pupils on the events of the reign of the deceased Queen, her life and history; the succession of Edward the Seventh, or other similar subjects, closing with the National Anthem. God Save the King, and that the Inspector of the Public Schools and the principal of the Collegiate Institute issue instructions to that effect."

AT THE THEATRE.

Hi Henry's Minstrels present an entire new company and an entirely new program by leading artists, among whom is the premier star comedian, Mr. C. Jack Hampton, for several seasons specially engaged as opposite Lew Dockstader; the champion buck dancer of the world, Jas. Corrigan; first appearance outside of New City of Frank Mitchell, direct from Pastor's Theatre; first appearance in America of the marvelous human song bird, Herr Probst; the eccentric dancer, Mr. John Dove; first appearance of the burlesque opera comedians, Mitchell and Marston, direct from Kalamazoo; the wonderful lightning clay modeler, Mr. Harry Becknap; special engagement of the European acrobatic marvels, the Couture Brothers; the new musical novelty, the Star Saxophone Quartette; the Apollo Quartette, Sinclair, Pattie, Macron and DeCoverly; the Amphion Glee Club, Lyons, Pattie, Gates, Jackson and Decker, and a host of other artists that will give the best musical entertainment ever seen in Chatham, at the Grand to-morrow (Tuesday) evening. Watch for the parade at noon.

That famous comedy "Finnigan's Ball," which will be seen at the Grand to-morrow evening, is really a phenomenal farce comedy. Murray and Mack's comedians gave the first performance of this piece in November, 1892, and with the exception of the usual summer respite, it has been before the public continuously ever since; for three seasons two companies representing it in different parts of the country at the same time. This is its eighth year, and since it first saw the footlights it has entertained over three million of people who have paid at the box office window over one million dollars for their entertainment. It is doubtful if any other farce comedy can engage a record. One reason why it has continued to please year after year is because it shares, with all other pieces of this class, that elasticity of character which allows it to be changed and brightened from year to year. During the past summer it has been completely re-written, retaining nothing whatever of the old story except the title. The dialogue, plot and situations are all new this season, and make it virtually a new play. Inasmuch as the piece is making this year a more emphatic hit than ever before it conclusively proves that the latest version is the best. The company is the best that has ever been seen in the piece. This season as in past years, the music is the latest and most up-to-date of all the popular songs, and the singing is one of the most entertaining features of the performance.

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BOTHWELL.

Jan. 26.—Miss Mae Smith, of Chatham, is the guest of Miss M. Burnside.

Mrs. Taos, Gurd is visiting her brother, J. G. Wallace, of the G. T. R. at Hamilton.

A free concert will be held in the Royal Templar lodge room on Thursday evening, Jan. 31st. A good program is being prepared. All are invited.

W. R. Hickey was in Detroit this week.

Mrs. Dan Coughlin, who has been visiting her brother, Wm. Regan, for the past few days, returned home Sunday last to St. Thomas.

Fred. Sussex, of Longwood, visited his father, O. T. Sussex, this week.

Miss Ella Graham, of Lobo, is visiting at her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Reid.

Mrs. (Rev.) Cobblestick entertained the young ladies of her Sunday school class and gentleman friends at the parsonage on Friday evening last.

Miss Jean Laughton left Friday on a visit among friends at Stratford, Waterloo, Toronto and other points east.

Miss Chas. Kildes and daughter, of Spokane, Wash., are the guests of friends in town.

J. B. Bache, who left Bothwell about three months ago for Seattle, Wash., has secured a good position as traveller for Stewart & Holmes Drug Co., the largest in that section.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Marshall, of New York, are visiting at the former's parents in North Bothwell.

Alex. Calderwood spent a couple of days in Guelph last week.

Miss Louisa, of London, is the guest of Miss Hennessey.

New ideas in American Collars every week at The 2 T's.

TILBURY.

Jan. 28.—The new English Church was crowded at all the services yesterday to hear Bishop Baldwin. The collections amounted to nearly \$150.00, which will go towards the building fund.

There will be a carnival at the rink on Tuesday evening, when prizes will be given for the costumes, races, etc. Mrs. Dolson and Mrs. Straund, of Aylmer, are guests at the rectory.

Miss Nettie Toit, of Oshawa, is the guest of Miss Maud Shaw.

There will be a memorial service for the Queen held in the English Church here next Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

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