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NOTES.

UNIVERSITIES.—We have lately heard not a few persons, some of eminent fame, deplore the fact that in Canada universities are multiplying. These persons are of English training, and their ideas are English. England has many colleges, few universities, or examining and degree-conferring bodies. Germany has a host of gymnasia, corresponding very closely with our colleges, but she has also twenty-five universities. Switzerland has five German universities, Austria eleven, and Russia one (at Dorpat). Berlin has 241 professors and lecturers, and an attendance of over six thousand students yearly; Leipzig has 171 instructors and 3,166 students; Munich, 2,049 students; Breslau, 1,682. The total number of students at these universities is over twenty-five thousand.

IN performing its great function of establishing all the social relations between man and man, the voice readily calls forth sympathies and antipathies; its quality reveals better than words the true feelings of the heart. A voice that is clear, pure, limpid, conveys the expression of frankness; one that is hesitating, drawing, betokens dissimulation; a harsh grating voice indicates an evil disposition; while a voice that is sweet, harmonious, affects us as though it were the breathing of a gentle soul. Besides the effects of nature we have those of art. An orator wishing to make himself heard, or to produce a sensation, opens his mouth widely, and derives from the resonant cavities all the aid they can supply; if the