

quarter, but that is the case. We would like to ask, do not these teachers earn their money like mechanics? By what rule do we judge carpentry is a trade and teaching a profession? That masonry is industrial and journalism liberal? The truth is they are all vocational; they provide means whereby men and women pay their bills, and 99 per cent. of those in all these fields are taking them because they provide a congenial field of activity whereby the individual may become a self-supporting member of society. These devotees of the theoretical would have us, like Plato, live in the realm of the ideal, and regard the actual, for which these ideas stand, as a clog to the aspirations of the soul. Fill the mind with ideas, they say, but do not connect with the actual conditions of life or you have a menial "bread and butter" education. Fortunately, this "idol of the cave" is being banished, and educationists everywhere are beginning to recognize that we must learn to know by doing. They are being forced to see that a complete training for the activities of life is the dominant note in education to-day; like Banquo's ghost, it will not down.

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