

TRAINING THE YOUNG IDEA

Recent Progress in the Public Schools Outlined and Analyzed.

OVER FIFTEEN MILLIONS AT SCHOOL

The Evils of Political Partisanship in School Management—Prohibiting Married Women as Teachers—Educational Notes.

William T. Harris, United States commissioner of education, contributes to the current number of Harper's an article on "Recent Progress in the Public Schools," particularly the public schools of the United States, which, he asserts, are at the present time a more important factor in the welfare of the country than ever before.

Out of this entire number deduct the private and parochial schools of all kinds, elementary, secondary, higher and schools for art, industry and agriculture, and there remain over 15,000,000 for the public school enrollment, or nearly 88 per cent of the whole.

The transformation of an illiterate population into a population that reads the daily newspaper, and performs things on national and international interests, is a great accomplishment of the public school system.

"Whatever other motives may influence parents," writes Robert Grant in Scribner's, "there is no doubt that many are finally deterred from sending their boys to a public school."

MARRIED WOMEN AS TEACHERS. Having arranged to regulate everything else within the boundary of the state, the legislature of Illinois is now considering a measure designed to prohibit the employment of married women as school teachers.

PRIVATE GIFTS TO COLLEGES. The statistics relative to private gifts to state universities have been collected by the Record, a publication of the University of Michigan.

Michigan. Compared with the munificent gifts by wealthy Americans to private institutions, these gifts to state universities did not make a striking showing.

NEW GAS PRODUCED

An Illuminant of Great Value from an Economic Point of View.

The astonishing announcement was made at a recent meeting of the Society of Chemical Industry, says the New York Times, that a powerful illuminating gas could be manufactured by a newly discovered method.

It is known to the chemist that acetylene, but the difficulty of its manufacture prevented them from utilizing it. It is the lowest gas in the series of hydrocarbons, and is usually manufactured by passing a stream of hydrogen through a globe, in which the electric arc is produced between two carbon points.

Perhaps the most remarkable quality of the gas is that it is the brightest and most powerful of its kind, and when compared with the ordinary coal gas its superiority is wonderful.

It has been proposed by promoters of the enterprise to do away with gas piping through the streets, they say that lamps can be manufactured to run on acetylene gas, which can be generated and consumed on the spot.

Mr. Adam of the Boston Gas company of Boston says: The question of the greatest importance to gas manufacturers is whether acetylene can be used to increase the illuminating power of common coal gas.

ROBBERS ESCAPE AND RUN RIOT. Stole a Preacher's Horse and Shot the Driver. He Followed Them. HENNESSY, Okla., April 6.—Three of the Dover train robbers are still at liberty.

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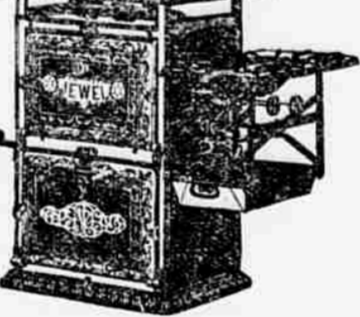
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UNAWED BY ROYAL POMP

Anecdotes of American Ministers at Various Foreign Courts.

RECOLLECTIONS OF AN OLD DIPLOMATIST

Some of the Original Ways in Which American Independence Cuffed Monarchical Etiquette and Escaped with a Whole Hide.

It has been my experience during a public career of many years to be attached to or in some way associated with many of the principal consulates and legations of the United States all over the world, and now, when age has incapacitated me for further usefulness, it is my greatest enjoyment to recall the strong character and vigorous patriotism of many men with whom I have served, and to reflect with amusement upon the odd antics of some of our envoys.

A ROYAL SHAKK

During the first administration a naturalized citizen of the United States was sent as minister to the court of the country in which he was born and spent his boyhood.

SNUBBED A CARDINAL

During the first administration of President Cleveland our minister to Italy was a gentleman from Ohio, who was very learned and very energetic.

HEATING SCHOOL BUILDINGS

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COMPETITION IN TELEPHONES

Branch of the Standard Company Formed to Include Nebraska. ST. LOUIS, April 6.—The St. Louis branch of the Standard Telephone company was organized two weeks ago, with a capital of \$500,000 and embracing a district covering the states of Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri in its territory.

Released His Boy to Save Him.

CLINTON, Ia., April 6.—August Swanson, who on March 30 cut off his 7-year-old son's head with a hatchet, was discovered last night coolly sitting up against the city hall building. Officer Arter arrested him.

Nebraska Gets One of the Others.

GRAND RAPIDS, April 6.—The American Republican College League congress elected L. N. Vaughn of Chicago university president.

Prominent Horseman Fatally Injured.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., April 6.—George Robbins, the well known horseman who was charged with selling the race between Nelson and Alcyon at Bedford, Conn., in 1889, was thrown out of his carriage last evening. He cannot recover.