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Closing School-A Suggestion. There are at least three modes of ending the school term; or rather, there are three classes of teachers, and each has, necessarily, its own method of closing the professional relations between papil and instructor.

He who teaches so many days for so much money, will impatiently look for the last day of the term which is to release him from his unwilling task. entitle him to the last instalment of his salary and set him at liberty to de vote his time to some more congenial employment. Such a schoolmaster, either from want of appreciation of the importance of the occasion, or of inclination to meet its requirements, marks the last day of the term with nothing save an extra degree of impatience of its duration and carelessness of its usual routine duties; and, it may be that he shortens the irksome hours by an early and an uncordial dismissal of the school. On their part, glad to be freed from the thraldrom of such a school, the pupils huddle up their books and rush forth like liberated prisoners, rejoicing that the morrow and the next day and the next, for weeks and months, will be free of school and its tedious tasks and its unloved master.

The representative of another class resolves to make a show at the end of the term, and to build up his professional reputation upon the specious but shallow foundation of a public examination-so called. Weeks are devoted to the preparation. Set questions in all the branches are selected, and memorized answers fitted to them. Specimens of penmanship, kindly touched up or "painted" by the master, are ready. Intricate sums are practiced on the blackboard, till worked off with a rapidity and expertness that plainly show that drilled fingers not disciplined mind are at work; and the whole is to terminate with a comic dialogue, or, it may be with some scenes of a stageplay, with costume and all the mouthing mimiery of the theatre. The last day and the last night of the term are thus passed with eclat; and pupils and teachers meet no more. And well it is so; for how they could consistently meet the next day to take a solemn leave of each other, it is hard to conceive -Alike deceivers and deceived, words of truth and honesty between them would he out of place. Or, if they meet at all, it can only be to injure each other more permanently, by rejoicing over the success of the fraud.

Another class there is, - and we are glad to think it is the most numerous, -the members of which desire to distinguish the closing of the term with some observances suitable to the importance of the occasion. By this reremark we do not wish to exclude that real public examination of pupils in the whole scope of their studies, which tests fairly and fully the amount of their progress. Neither would we exclude that proper exhibition of readings, declamations, &c., prepared for without loss of time during the term, and resorted to for some worthy purpose at its close,-at which no one professes more than he knows, or exhibits anything unsuitable. But in addition to this or these, if resorted to, it has always seemed to us that there should be a regular formal closing of the school and a leave taking between teacher and pupil. And it is in reference to this that we now venture a suggestion.

During the trials and vicissitudes of the term, the teacher, if qualified for the position, will have pretty accurately ascertained, not only the abilities but the disposition and character of every pupil. While they have been learning from him, he has learned much of them. What shall he do with t is knowledge? Is he to remain satistled with the clue it afforded him in the management of the school, or, is he to endeavor to turn it to greater account by bringing it to bear at the solemn hour of separation upon their future career as men and women?-This question would seem to be plainly suggested by the occasion; and if so. the further question arises,-how shall it be answered? And if in the affirmative, then arises the still further question-how shall this duty be dis-

The nature of the occasion seems to indicate its own treatment; the existing feelings to admit of but one line of conduct.

The honest, zealous, qualified teacher has, as a matter of course, obtained the respect and confidence of his pupils. The parting is, to him, a solemn event, brings before him the sense of his responsibility in its fullest extent. To them, making all allowance for the buoyancy of youth and the feeling of relief from school duties, it is also sesious. The hearts of all are softened. Every asperity is removed. On the one side, unformed character is in its most plastic state for impression. On the other, more power is possessed for making impression than at any former period in their mutual relations.

This is, then, no time for formal lectures, didactic precepts; or at least, these are not the best means to be employed at this peculiar and most pro-pitious season. Let the teacher not so waste it.

What shall he do?

He has no doubt made some mistakes and committed some errors-unintentional of course-during the term. Undue severity may have been employed, under a misapprehension of dish at any time.

the circumstances. The innocent even may have been punished. Dullness may have been mistaken for want of application. Wrong motives may have been erroneously attributed. His own temper, from indisposition or other causes, may have given way. Hasty words may have been spoken. To allude to, to explain, to acknowledge and to make amends for these, is the part of the christian and the gentleman. To do it frankly and feelingly, on this, the last day, will, at once give him the hearts of his pupils. It will ena-ble him to speak to them of their own short-comings and defects, with an effeet which no other combination of circumstances can equal.

ly collectively as to conduct and progress, but to each individual. A boy who was noted for wildness, and inat tention, at the opening of the school, has become well behaved and studious. Let him have credit before his schoolfellows, and be cheered on in the good work of reformation Another studies well but behaves badly. Let credit for the one trait and admonition for the other be given. Another lags be hind his classes because frequently and habitually absent or late. Let the evil effects of these practices be plainly pointed out. A girl is intelligent, studious and regular, but withal proud of her talents and disposed to look down on others. With due credit for her gifts, let the value of charity and humility be made known Another is parts. Let the proper advice be kindly imparted. In short, let every pupil see that he or she is known in all respects and without reserve to the teacher; that his interest in them is equal to his knowledge of their peculiarities, that he has been carefully studying them, not to get out of them a certain number of creditable recitations, but to improve their characters and make of them good men and wo-By this means, we are very much deceived if this his last lesson become not in the end the best of the

Another matter should not be omitted. In all schools there will be rivalries and quarrels amongst the pupils. A few kind and appropriate words now, will enable the teacher to see them depart with all such heart-burning removed, and with the true and right feelings of school-fellows.

may be given to the more advanced pupils, as to their future studies and is of his own manufacture, made in a good an appropriate course of reading, dur-

ing the recess of the schools. It is not necessary to follow out this subject. Every teacher with a heart well as a head, will do better than we can tell him. To those without hearts, we do not write. -Pa. School Journal.

RECIPES.

Dumplings, (Fine Suet.)-Grate the crambs of a stale six cent loaf, and mix it with half as much beef suet, chopped as fine as possible. Add a grated nutmeg, and two large tablespoonfuls of sugar. Beat four eggs with four tablespoonfuls of white wine or brandy. Mix all well together to a stiff paste. Flour your hands, and make up the mixture into balls or dumplings about the size of a turkey Have ready a pot of boiling water. Put the dumplings into cloths and let them boil about half an hour. Serve them hot and eat them with

Dumplings (Light)—Mix together as much grated bread, butter and beaten beads, where the disease is not hereditary; eggs (seasoned with powdered cinnamon) as will make a stiff paste. Stir it well. Make the mixture into round dumplings, with your hands well flour-Tie up each in a separate cloth and boil them a short time-about fifteen minutes. Eat them with sauce, or with molasses and butter.

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ing-pan with a silver spoon, and let them simmer gently for an hour .--When cold put them into glass jars, and lay over them a bit of paper saturated with brandy—then tie them up so as carefully to exclude the air.

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