

**SWEET AND BITTER.**  
Love can be both sharp and bitter,  
Sweetened with tears and all glow—  
Golden beads of gladness glitter  
In its sunbeams of woe!  
Should the dearest one  
Linger near me,  
Soft eyes like living stars  
Gleaming tender,  
Watch their pleasures,  
He's as bright as angels are.

But the same must have the shading  
Shadows dark and sorrows deep,  
If she prove a cruel maiden,  
One can only sigh and weep.  
Since the trade  
Of love and hate,  
First to love and then to leave,  
Is the best of all.  
Scorn love's fever,  
Which but gilds to deceive!

**COMMON SCHOOLS.**  
Extracts from the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Tioga Co.  
The work done by the Superintendent is indicated by the statistics we glean from the reports of the teachers, from visiting schools and from the annual report of the directors. It is rather a work of co-operation with directors and teachers than the exercise of any authority. As the servant and friend of both, we consider it our duty to go with the teacher into the school room, and to see that the exercise of any authority and governing according to the experience of the most successful teachers. As we would help and not embarrass the teachers, we are careful not to have learned as much from them as we have taught them. We freely accord to good teachers a great diversity of modes. Our instructions are carried out as successfully by one teacher as another. But when a teacher settles down to any one mode without any efforts at improvement, it is time for the superintendent to quit the profession. This indifferent dreamy life in the school room, is what we mean by the "Hanging Journeyman," to whip the cat from one school house to another.

Visitations and examinations have required a visit of over one thousand miles during the nine months of our connection with the schools. About two-thirds of the schools have been visited. We have seen the best of the schools this winter in the northern and western districts of the county. Forty-four public examinations have been held, and about the same number of private examinations, which will hereafter be more than ever discouraged.

The County Institute called twice during the year, was altogether too thinly attended, the teachers not feeling either able or obliged to attend. If the money now appropriated to pay teachers could be appropriated to pay, in part, the expenses of teachers, they could be compelled to attend.

Scarcely less than the largest number of schools and scholars of any district in the county, Charleston comes next. All the reports are not yet in for this year, but the reports of the schools in all the public schools of the county will not vary much from 9,800, hardly reaching 10,000 district school scholars in actual attendance. The number of the number of children in the Academies and private schools is 800, and those who go to no schools and receive no instruction, and the amount of money expended in the county, which is educated by growing up in our country.

Let us now look at the PRESENT STATE OF OUR SCHOOLS. We shall give only round numbers: Cost of Instruction \$37,000; cost of building and repairing school houses \$90,000. Fuel and coal \$40,000, making a total of \$207,000. Of this amount about \$3,500 was received from State appropriation, and the balance raised by taxation on all the taxable property in the county. This has required an average assessment by the State directors, and the rate of mills per dollar valuation, for school and building purposes. Taking the average attendance and we find it costs about one cent for each child of each scholar in the district schools. This price though equal only to two dollars a term for private tuition (a smaller sum than is generally paid for the lowest grade in private schools) is, for actual instruction given all the time charged, given alike to a-b-c-d-ians and to each higher scholar in the district schools. It is, in fact, a small sum, and it costs just as much to educate ten as it does forty. This irregular attendance and dropping off toward the close of the term, is a great evil, and it is a great loss to the State. And again, if the facts could all be obtained, we should find that, while the property of the county pays about \$20,000 for educating nearly 10,000 scholars, it costs the county more than this to take care of the 700 children growing up without education.

And again we love to think of the most sublime spectacle of a people voluntarily imposing such a tax upon themselves for the education of their neighbors' children equally with their own. The only thing lacking in this part of the machinery is a uniform tax to keep all the Common Schools open at least four months. Then the rich and the poor districts in all part of the State would fare alike, and practically, in the matter of education, the property of the State would educate the children in the State. Tioga would not have to raise a tax of 19 mills to the dollar, while in the other counties a tax of 12, Lancaster 8, and Berks only 6 and Chester less than six, while those wealthier counties with less than one third one tax, keep their children open nearly twice as long, and pay twice as much wages to their teachers. (to be continued.)

We have a record of a colloquy between a gentleman and his son, both lawyers, the father having retired in easy circumstances to a country place some ten miles away from the center of his professional labors. One Sunday morning the young gentleman, homeward bound, met his father and mother on their way to the church, and they were regularly attended. The father said: "My son, I am delighted, and so is your dear mother, that you are going to hear our good man preach. You will be highly pleased with him."  
The old gentleman thereupon slapped his son on the shoulder and said: "Stick to him, my son; stick to him, and never leave him!"  
Wicked world!

A weak mind sinks under prosperity as well as under adversity. A strong and deep mind has more than covered by the moon in the full, and when there is no moon.

It is rather humiliating fact that all the mechanical power exerted by man during his life is more than covered by the power stored up in one small carload of coal.

One of Josh. Billings' maxims: "Rise early, work hard and late, live on what you can't sell, give nothing away; and if you don't die rich, and go to the devil, you may sue me for damages."

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