

"WELL HAST THOU WRITTEN OF ME, THOMAS."

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SAINT THOMAS AND EDUCATION

The Twentieth Century has witnessed the reign of a system of modern education which has greatly influenced two generations of young Americans. It is a parasitic spirit that feasts on the minds and hearts of millions of men and women who have been weakened by that deadly disease-naturalism. The repercussions of this false philosophy are now revealing their evil effects in every phase of life and

particularly in the field of education.

Modern educators make the mistake of thinking and acting as if man were merely a "world-creature" and had no eternal destiny. Modern education is not education in the true sense of the word, for the children of today are being neglected. They are being educated for life in this world alone. Tradition and sound principles have been overthrown for novelty and the result is a homo-centric system which denies the very keystone of reality-God. The path to truth has been diverted and man has been enslaved in the fetters of ignorance and error.

The only solution to this problem is to restore the proper order of things by opening the gates of the student's mind to the light of eternal truths and ultimate values. When this is accomplished perfect harmony shall once more reign and man shall possess that freedom

which is his guide to eternal happiness.

This issue of DOMINICANA is dedicated to Saint Thomas and education. It is hoped that the topics treated here will in some way cast a guiding light on a few of the problems which confront us in the field of education. Only when true values are recognized can education serve its purpose of leading man to virtuous living and to the possession of Almighty God.

PRAYER OF ST. THOMAS

Grant me, O merciful God, that what is pleasing to Thee I may ardently desire, prudently acquire, truthfully acknowledge, and perfectly accomplish for the praise and glory of Thy Name.