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School Days

“Continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of.” (2 Timothy 3:14)

Most vital of all knowledge
Begins at Calvary;
The very highest standard,
An education free.

Upon a cross of anguish
Christ bore our load of sin;
And, trusting Him as Saviour
Our school-days then begin.

Though not with classic honours,
The B.A. first we gain!
The Master taught this lesson,
"Ye must be Born Again .

The M.A. follows duly,
A shining, live degree!
A Mighty Alteration
For everyone to see!

Our text-book is the Bible,
The Author is divine;
A lamp to guide our footsteps
And through our lives to shine.

We have the best of tutors
Residing in the heart;
Rich truths, profound and simple,
The Spirit doth impart.

The science of the gnostics
We utterly refuse;
And modern form of teaching,
Unscriptural in its views.

With understanding opened,
And with the zeal of youth,
We're up-to-date in learning,
Old-fashioned as to truth!

Our precious, wise Instructor,
A great example He!
We seek to follow closely,
A true disciple be.

From knowledge springs experience
In wisdom's fruitful field;
The life of God outworking,
His character revealed.

All scholars will be tested,
The grace of God to know;
To represent Him fully
In this dark scene below.

Oft discipline is needed,
The tender hand is Love;
Our schooling never ceases
Until transferred above!

. . . Bernard Fell