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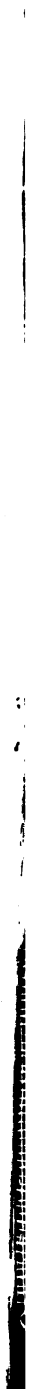
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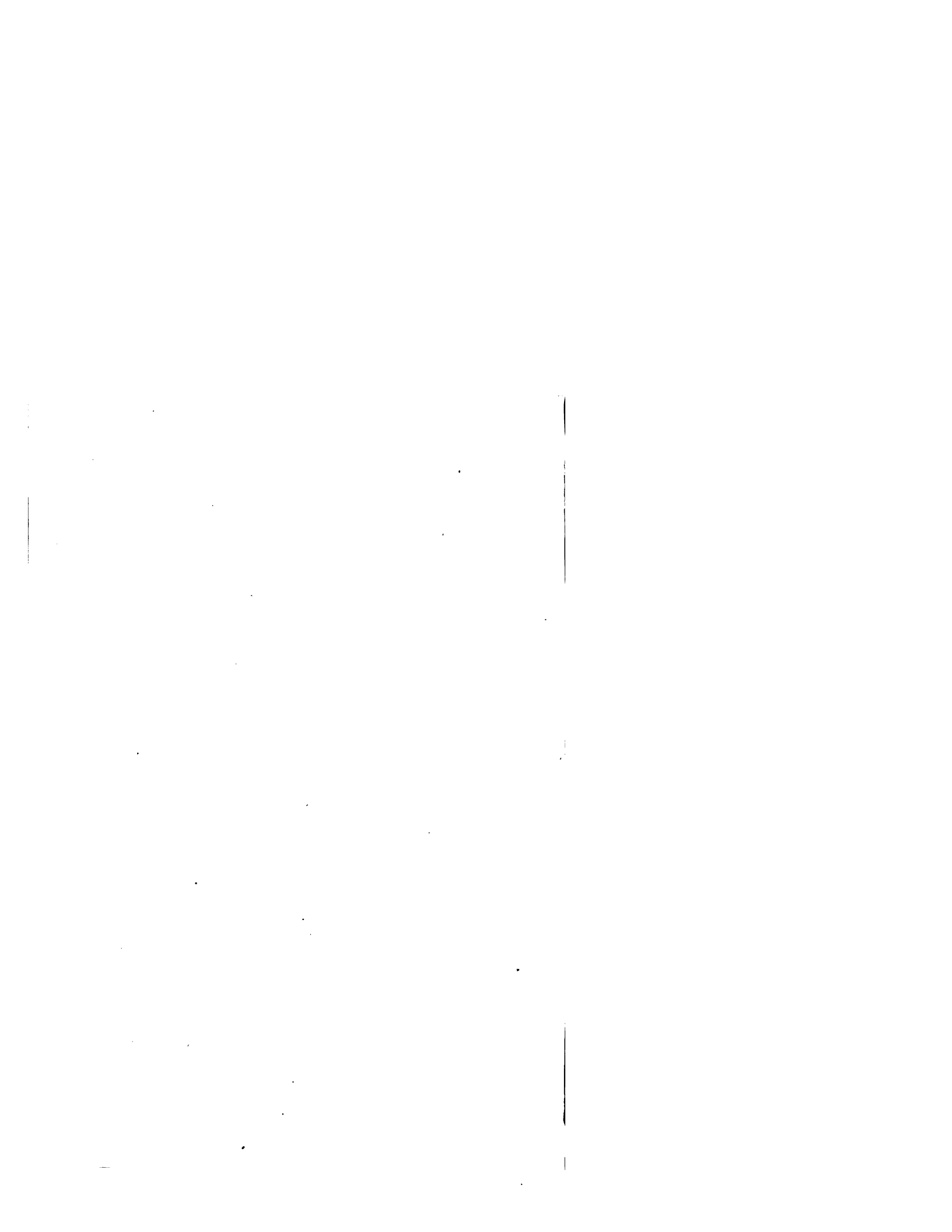


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The Society reserves the right to decline any and all MSS. offered, if unsuitable for its purpose.

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PREFACE.

THIS book is written with a double purpose, to discuss, first, the place of the religious (as including the moral) element in education ; and, second, the place and function of the highest type of education, in the immediate future. It will be found, however, that in the treatment these purposes merge or coalesce into one. Beyond this, the views herein expressed sufficiently explain themselves. It may be of interest to some to know that these views are the outgrowth of the study and teaching of subjects mainly scientific in character.

The sources of the material used being familiar and easily accessible to the reading public, and it being the intention to have the book as far as possible a pictorial argument, I have not deemed it advisable to cumber the pages with detailed references or footnotes. The main sources of information, and notes on matters needing further explanation, are given in an appendix. Special mention however, should be made of my debt to the ex-

tremely useful Reports of the Commissioner of Education.

I wish also to make acknowledgement of the aid, direct and indirect, in the preparation of this book, given me by my former colleague, Prof. Robert W. Rogers, now Professor of Hebrew and Old Testament Exegesis in Drew Theological Seminary. My best thanks are due to my present colleague, Prof. Bradford O. McIntire, for aid in reading the proof and for rhetorical corrections and other changes. The editor of The American Sunday-School Union, has also made several important suggestions, which I have been glad to adopt.

FLETCHER DURELL.

CARLISLE, PA., *March 19, 1894.*

N. B. The Index figures in the text of the work, refer to notes in the Appendix, at the end of the volume.