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TRANSLATOR'S INTRODUCTION.

"On the Future of our Educational Institutions" comprehends a series of five lectures
delivered by Nietzsche when Professor of Classical
Philology at Bâle University. As they were prepared when he was only twenty-seven years of
age, we can scarcely expect to find in them that
broad, "good European" point of view which
we meet with in his later works. These lectures,
however, are not only highly interesting in themselves; but indispensable for those who wish
to trace the gradual development of Nietzsche's
thought.

Nietzsche's aim, as is now pretty well known, was the elevation of the type man. At this period of his life he believed that this end could be best attained by the protection and careful development of men of genius. Hence his antagonism in the following lectures towards the purely time-serving German schools and colleges of his age, in which culture was not only neglected but not even known—the one aim of the teachers being to instruct the pupils in the art of "getting on," of playing a successful part in the struggle for existence, of becoming useful citizens. Of course, Nietzsche was too little of a wild reformer to be adverse to a

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