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All life moving to one measure—
Daily bread, daily bread—
Bread of life and bread of labor, |
Bread of bitterness and sorrow,
Hand-to-mouth, and no to-morrow,
Dearth for housemate, dearth for neighbor—
"Yet, when all the babes are fed,
Love, are there not crumbs to treasure?"

Wilfrid Wilson Gibson



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INTRODUCTION

BY RANDALL J. CONDON

In one of my reports as Superintendent of the Everett, Massachusetts, schools, written in December, 1900, I said, looking back over the educational developments of the last quarter of the nineteenth century and forward to the opening years of the twentieth:—

But the greatest gain of all - and the one most necessary - will come through the establishment of more vital relations between the pupil and the various subjects of instruction. He will be brought into closer touch with the world in which he lives; the school will be not so much an institution by itself, but will stand more as an interpretation of life and of the institutions of which the pupil is a part; it will not so much fit him for a life he is to live in later years as it will teach him how to live, and to interpret the life he now has. It will find or make opportunity for the expression of the things taught in terms of actual living, not at a subsequent period, but during the years of instruction. In the past, household duties have been taught most effectively and thoroughly by giving children an opportunity to participate in the household work - by instructing them in this work