

TEACH THE TRADES, ADVISES ROOSEVELT.

Declares That Expansion Is
Needed in Vocational Train-
ing in Our Schools.

PRESENTS MOSELY'S GIFT

Picture, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?"
Turned Over to De Witt Clin-
ton High School.

J. C. Dollman's picture, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" showing unemployed workmen of London spending the night on a bench on the Thames embankment, which has been sent to the Board of Education of New York by Alfred Mosely of London as an expression of gratitude to the board for its co-operation with his educational work, was formally presented yesterday afternoon by Theodore Roosevelt at the De Witt Clinton high school.

There was an elaborate programme, including music by the De Witt boys and the Wadleigh high school girls. Col. Roosevelt was received by the audience standing and with prolonged clapping and waving of programmes, and was called during the exercises the "most illustrious citizen of the United States." Miss Olivia Leventritt of the Board of Education, Chairman of the Committee on Vocational Schools and Industrial Training, accepted the picture for the board.

Mr. Mosely, who organized the English Education Commission and arranged the tours of English teachers to this country and of American teachers to London, said in a letter regarding his gift that he wished the picture to emphasize to the people of this country the need of vocational training, so that the sad conditions the preponderance brought about by unskilled labor in England and the European cities might never be repeated in this country.

President Egerton Winthrop, Jr., of the Board of Education, presided, and introduced Col. Roosevelt, who said:

"I know all teachers will agree with me when I say that I have a weary contempt for the cuckoo type of parent, the father or mother who deposits the child in the school and then goes off feeling that all the rest of the responsibility rests with the teacher."

"The poorest economy of the citizen and taxpayer is to cut down the salaries of the teachers." Col. Roosevelt said that he had felt obliged to accept the invitation to speak on this occasion because of his strong belief in the need of industrial education for the whole country.

"Any one who has paid attention to education matters," he said, "and that should include every American citizen worthy to be called so, must see the need of making changes in the educational system that it may do what we demand of it. We must train toward and not away from the shop and factory, and if I was in the country I should say toward the farm. Some of the best educated people I have ever known were not perfect in spelling, and I don't mean reformed spelling."

"Mr. Maxwell," turning to the Superintendent, "you have done us a great service in promoting the musical work in the schools, as we have seen here to-day. It is a very nice thing to play the viol and to sing, but it is also nice to work and cook."

After paying his usual compliment to mothers in which he said: "There is nothing as exhausting or as difficult as to be a good mother," Col. Roosevelt concluded by saying:

"I don't wish a diminution in cultural work, but a great expansion in vocational, technical, and industrial. It must be extensive and intensive—no smattering, but in one or two lines to do the best work possible."

After the general applause the De Witt Clinton boys gave their school cheer, and following the Colonel from the rooms, cheered him again outside the building.

Supt. Maxwell told of the dangers to uneducated workers in factories where foreigners taken in at the lowest wages were frequently maimed or lost their lives because they could not speak English or be made to understand.

SAYS SHE'S PRIEST'S WIDOW.

Sues for Dower Rights in Property
Once Owned by Catholic Clergyman.

Saying that she is the widow of the Rev. Father William A. Farrell, a Catholic priest, Angeline B. Duncan of this city has begun an action in the Supreme Court of Westchester County for what she terms her dower rights in property located in Mount Vernon's most exclusive section. Six or seven property owners in a section embracing East Lincoln Avenue, between Rich and North Fulton Avenues, and on both Rich and Fulton Avenues for several hundred feet, have been named as parties to the action.

The Rev. William A. Farrell died at the home of his mother in New Jersey in 1895. Angeline Duncan asserts he became her husband in 1888. She declares that Father Farrell deeded the property to his father, William Farrell, in 1894, and while she does not dispute the titles, she contends that the property as originally conveyed was subject to her dower rights which she has not received.

The present owners of the property declare that there is no question as to the titles, which they hold indirectly from Father Farrell. The titles have been passed on by the Westchester and Bronx Title Guarantee Company, and the United States Title and Guaranty Company. The two companies will defend the action. The only record of a Father Farrell in Westchester County dates back twenty years, when a priest by that name was located in Tuckahoe and Tarrytown.