

would make them appreciate their own dignity and secure the respect of all their patrons.

This plan whenever adopted has received the most unqualified approbation, and been productive of the richest results, by increasing the ability of teachers, and inspiring them with a degree of professional enthusiasm essential to the earnest performance of their duties. Everything that is done to raise the character of the teacher directly benefits the school. The best system can be ruined by incompetent instructors.

With these remarks, we suggest that the Committee be directed to prepare a Bill for a general system of Education throughout the State, to be administered by a State Superintendent, in connexion with a Normal School for the instruction of teachers, and a model Public School: or that a State Superintendent be appointed who shall collect information relative to the school systems of other States, the present condition of our own public schools, and all facts essential to the formation of a wise Eclectic System for Maryland, and report to the Governor before the meeting of the next Legislature.

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