

Lecture on Failures in Teaching: Delivered Before the American Institute of Instruction, at Bangor, Maine, August, 1848 (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from Lecture on Failures in Teaching: Delivered Before the American Institute of Instruction, at Bangor, Maine, August, 1848 To avoid ambiguity the term failure will be used in its common acceptation. There are some persons who have so high a standard for the trial of teachers, that not one in a hundred or perhaps a thousand can be accounted successful. Such a standard, however, is not less evidently absurd than that which in business would not permit any man to be considered successful, unless his fortune equalled that of a Girard or an Astor. It is no subject of surprise that persons of feeble capacity, of limited acquisitions in knowledge, and of bad moral character, should fail in teaching. Nor do we wonder that those, who excel in branches of knowledge with which they are acquainted, should fail when they attempt to instruct in things concerning which they know little or nothing. These are causes of failure so obvious, that they need not occupy a moment s attention. All my remarks, therefore, will be founded on...



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