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Teachers should keep the tradition

Dear Editor

Honour thy sacred profession. From time immemorial teaching has been regarded by the society not as a paying job but a pious act of giving away knowledge to the students for which they command supreme respect of the society. It is ironic that some teachers are now found engaged in such deplorable activities like helping their students to adopt unfair means during exams.

Habit is the second nature with man. The black art of copying by students in school has found expression in the Board examinations.

All teachers are not involved in it. If the headmaster is

strict, no student can dare do something illegal. It is the headmaster who can determine which of his students are ill prepared and are likely to copy during the final Board exams.

At one time, the students from the 'Mofussil' schools would stand in the Calcutta University and later on in the Boards but at present, apathy of the teachers has called down a dark age for rural education with the result that Mofussil candidates cannot at all cope with those of towns and cities in the test for admission into the medical, engineering, agriculture colleges and in the universities.

Eminent teachers like Kazi Ambor Ali of Azimpur, Sham-

suddin Ahmed of West End, Jatal Ahmed of Feni, Basanta Kumar Das of Devidwar, Jagadish Chakraborty of Kishoreganj; Emdadul Haque of Mathbaria, Ziarat Ali of Zamurki, Sultan Mahmud of Begunganj, Nolini-Das of Nandina, Mokbul Hossain of Horirchar and Abdul Majid of Ujanchar built a tradition in the field of secondary education I appeal to all teachers not to tarnish this tradition any more for which the nation will have to repent in the long run.

Full many a gem of
Purest ray serene
The dark unfathomed
Caves of the Ocean bear
Full many a flowers
Born to blush unseen
And to waste its sweetness
In the desert air.

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