EDUCATION

by Arthur Guiterman

Mark Hopkins sat on one end of a log
And a farm boy sat on the other.
Mark Hopkins came as a pedagogue
And taught as an elder brother.

I don't care what Mark Hopkins taught
If his Latin was small and his Greek was naught,
For the farm boy he taught, thought he,
All through the lecture time and quiz,
"The kind of man I mean to be
Is the kind of man Mark Hopkins is."

For education is making men.
So it is now, so it was when
Mark Hopkins sat on one end of a log
And James Garfield sat on the other.

Mark Hopkins was president of Williams College. James Garfield was a student at Williams College and later president of the USA.