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As I stopped at a bookstore window in Quebec this summer, Maria Montessori's book on her method caught my eye. It is more than forty years since it was first published into many languages and inspired many to concern themselves seriously with early childhood education. Dr. Montessori has given us an occasion to pay our tribute to her.

Montessori's life history is a story of the past century. Born in 1870, she became the first woman to secure a position at the University of Rome. She specialized in pediatrics, became a lecturer in psychiatry, and before long she was

