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The further education which the Fortbildungsschule gives is to enable the pupils to fulfil with greater ease the duties of their respective callings. Some of the trades have their own Fortbildungsschulen, and the State aims as far as possible at giving such education to the apprentices of the various trades as suits them individually.

The difficulties at first of introducing this new school were very great, for as in England when attendance at school became compulsory, the parents of children complained because they said their children were taken away from them when they might be helping their parents towards the support of the family, so in Saxony the employers of labour complained that their apprentices were taken away from them, and the boys too did not like being forced to go to school again. But in so short a period as five years much of this opposition has disappeared. Employers are beginning to see that that which benefits the pupil, in so far as it makes him more intelligent for his work, benefits them also, so long as he remains an apprentice. And the boys