

## PREFACE

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Of modern languages none can be studied from the printed page with so much satisfaction as Spanish. This is because the orthography of Spanish is phonetic, and also because the language contains no difficult sounds to be learned from a teacher, but only sounds which are common to all modern languages. The grammar of Spanish is also simple and regular, more regular than that of English, French, Italian or German.

In spite of these facts however, the subject has not been very attractive to the student, for the text books on Spanish are much inferior to those used in teaching the other languages.

The method followed herein, is the same Analytical Method, which we have used with so much success in the teaching of Latin and French, and will, we trust, prove equally efficacious for Spanish.

In the preparation of all our lessons, we have always striven to present the matter in a form intelligible to the stupid or inapt, not only because the latter are in the grand majority, but also because what they can comprehend, will be all the more clear to the intelligent and bright.