

work during the day, has been proved by experiment to have been an exceedingly happy one. The success of the project, in the initial experiments of the Board, has been most gratifying. So large was the attendance that schools in other sections of the city are about to be opened, and the staff of teachers increased in all of them. The trustees of the Separate Schools, we notice, are about to make a similar experiment.

At the recent meeting of the South Simcoe Teachers' Association, at Beeton (the Rev. Wm. McKee, B.A., Public School Inspector, in the chair), Mr. W. Williams, M.A., Principal of the Collingwood Collegiate Institute, delivered an excellent and entertaining lecture on "Public Opinion," and an address on "English Literature for Third-Class Teachers." At the convention a resolution was passed recommending the use by teachers of CAMPBELL'S SWINTON'S LANGUAGE LESSONS, and, at the same time, the claims of THE CANADA EDUCATIONAL MONTHLY, "as a journal owned by and published in the interest of the profession," were heartily advocated by its friends.

LITERARY JOTTINGS.

A SUGGESTIVE little *brochure*, from the pen of Prof. Meiklejohn, of St. Andrews' University, on "The problem of Teaching to Read," has just reached us from Messrs. W. & R. Chambers of Edinburgh.

MESSRS. NELSON & SONS have recently issued an Epitome of the History of the Times, with the title of "The Nineteenth Century." The work is prepared by Robert Mackenzie, whose earlier compilations in Education and History make his name familiar to us.

FROM Messrs. Copp, Clark & Co., we have received the issue, for 1880, of that indispensable reference book, the *Canadian Almanac*. As a handy-book of Canadian statistics and facts, the publication is invaluable. We find it so useful that our constant aspiration is for more of it.

MESSRS. BLACKIE & SON have just added to their comprehensive School series, a work in Algebra, up to and including Simultaneous Equations of the First Degree, intended for the use of senior pupils and pupil teachers.

"THE American Journal of Philology," edited by Professor Gildersleeve, of the Johns-Hopkins University, and to contain communications from leading scholars in all departments of Philology, is announced. Messrs. Macmillan, of London and New York, are to be the publishers.

A HANDY interleaved edition, with Anthon's notes and vocabulary, of "The 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Orations of Cicero against Catiline" has just been brought out by the Canada Publishing Co. (James Campbell & Son), Toronto. The work has the triple merit of usefulness, neatness, and cheapness.

WE are in receipt of the Annual Reports of the Superintendent of Education for the Province of Quebec, and of the Minister of Education for the Province of Ontario. In the present number we must content ourselves with acknowledging the courtesy of their transmission to us, promising to notice them at some length in our next issue.

THE Rev. Dr. Cobban Brewer has just compiled an indispensable book of reference to students of English Literature. It is entitled "The Reader's Hand-Book of Allusions, References, Plots, and Stories," and is issued by Messrs. Chatto & Windus, London, and J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia.

A NEW edition of Goodwin's Greek Grammar has just been issued by Messrs. Macmillan, of London and New York. The London *Athenum* speaks of it as "the best Greek Grammar of its size in the English language," a verdict which all who are familiar with it in its earlier edition will be apt to give in its favour. Much new matter is added in the work on the Inflection of the Verb, the Formation of Words, and on Versification, while the Indexes fill thirty pages, and the catalogue of verbs is nearly doubled.