

## PREFACE.

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The following pages are intended to aid the Teacher in making the pupil acquainted, with as little delay as possible, with the declensions of Latin nouns, adjectives, and pronouns, and the conjugations of verbs. The method indicated has been practised by the Author on many occasions, and always with success. There is no "royal road" to learning; the acquisition of knowledge must be the result of laborious study; and however intellectual teaching may aid the efforts of the student by making him acquainted with principles instead of allowing him to depend on mechanical rules, yet these principles and their application must be carefully impressed on the memory, and to do so, more or less labour on the part of the learner is unavoidable. A lad of average ability, receiving four or five lessons a week, and using a reasonable amount of exertion, will be able at the end of four weeks to decline nouns, adjectives, and pronouns, and conjugate regular verbs, with