

vacant understandings till the season for improvement is utterly passed away, and all chance of forming more important habits completely lost.

—Pretension and insincerity are great vices in a teacher. The youth who graduates with the belief that his teacher knows everything is apt to be too well satisfied with the extent of his own information.

A shallow, tricky man with the craft to impress everybody with the sense of his greatness as a scholar and an educator has a worse influence on young people than one with a few vices of considerable magnitude. A young man had better graduate with a bad habit than with an overpowering sense of self-sufficiency.

LITERARY NOTICES.

NEW MUSIC.—We have received two pieces of very fine music, "The Dying Child" and "Think of Heaven," words and music by Mr. J. Lawson, Kingston, Ontario. Those wanting copies can be supplied by the author at the rate of 5 cents single, or 50 cents per dozen.

HOME AND SCHOOL FOR JUNE.—Of the eight contributed articles in *Home and School* for June five are elegantly illustrated. There are also a fine portrait of General John C. Breckenridge and a set of illustrations showing the way cuts are prepared for printing. A graceful poem and a pretty song arranged for the piano make up a most attractive number. The editorial notes are characteristically newsy and readable. The subscription-price of this magazine is only \$1.50 a year, and the publishers are Morton & Co., Louisville, Kentucky.

THE CANADIAN MONTHLY FOR JUNE.—This is an excellent number of this ably conducted magazine. It opens with a well written article on the "Intellectual Progress of Canada during the last Fifty Years," by James Douglas, Quebec. Rev. G. M. Grant contributes his second paper, on Hon. Joseph Howe. Laon contributes an article on "Messrs. Moody and Sanky and Revivalism," which has drawn forth much hostile criticism. "Mohammed and Mohammedanism" and "Central American Sketches" are both readable articles, while the "Current Events" has the usual able comments on the occurrences of the month. The departments devoted to Poetry, Stories, Current literature, &c., &c., are all well sustained. The *Canadian Monthly* is a credit to Ontario, and to the Province.

TEACHERS' DESK.

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Contributors to the 'Desk' will oblige by observing the following rules :

1. To send questions for insertion on separate sheets from those containing answers to questions already proposed.
2. To write on one side of the paper.
3. To write their names on every sheet.

CORRECT ANSWERS RECEIVED.

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 M. FERGUSON, Florence ; 101, 103.
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