

text is clearly printed, the notes helpful, vocabulary ample, with a very serviceable introduction on the Homeric language and grammar.

**THE THOUGHTS OF THE EMPEROR MARCUS AURELIUS ANTONINUS**, edited by Edwin Ginn, pp. 218. Price, 45 cents. Publishers, Ginn & Co., Boston. The publishers did an excellent thing for children, and, it may be added, for grown up people, when they started the "Classics for Children" series. They have been governed by the principle of selecting the best they could find in all ages for grown up people. Although the present volume may appear better suited for mature minds, it contains gems of thought which children can grasp, and which will assuredly help them to aspire to a noble and pure life.

**SELECTION OF STUDIES**, by J. B. Cramer, with comments by L. VanBeethoven, and preface, translation, explanatory notes and fingering by J. S. Shedlock, B. A. Angener & Co., London, 86 Newgate Street, E.C., and Foubert's Place, Regent Street. Price 2s. 6d. Mr. Shedlock as a critic commands the situation, especially when it comes to a question concerning the king of tones, Beethoven. His careful continental training gives breadth as well as point to his views, while his amazing industry and keen scent for anything valuable is well known in London. In his search for Beethoven's sketch-books in the royal libraries of Vienna and Berlin, in an obscure corner of the latter he came across the valuable annotations of some of Cramer's studies made for his nephew. As every musician knows these wonderful studies still hold their own as the best preparation for the understanding performance of classical music. But Cramer is so artistic that it needs good teaching and a clear conception of his drift to play these studies as they should be played. \* \* \* Many earnest students will regret, with the writer, that they had not the benefit of this valuable help long years ago.—*Catherine M. Condon, 4 Hare Court, London, June 1893.*

#### BOOKS RECEIVED.

A Text-book of Needlework, Knitting and Cutting Out, with methods of Teaching. London: MacMillan & Co., and New York.

A Practical Course in English Composition. Ginn & Co., publishers, Boston.

Die Erhebung Europas gegen Napoleon I, von Heinrich von Sybel. Publishers, Ginn & Co., Boston.

#### Educational Articles in the Magazines.

In the *Atlantic Monthly*, for August, our readers will be interested in the following articles.—A Boston School Girl in 1771; "The First Principal of Newnham College;" "Relations of Academic and Technical Instruction."

In the *Century*, for August, is a brief but interesting account of the public school system of Russia.

In *St. Nicholas*, for August, young readers are treated to sketches of the "Crown Prince of Siam," and "Edison as a Boy."

In *Goldthwaite's Geographical Magazine* for May June are the following: "Commerce of the Arctic Regions," "Mason and Dixon's Line," "Marvels of Mighty London," with many interesting articles on geography.

Recent numbers of *Littell's Living Age* have the following, among other instructive articles, "A Naturalist's Views of the Fur Seal Question," "Is the Universe Infinite," "The Baltic Ship Canal."

Recent numbers of *University Extension* [Philadelphia] contain the following: "Science as a means of enjoyment in every day life," "University Extension and the Public Schools," and other important articles on this movement.

*Wide Awake*, for July, contains a finely illustrated article on "Scott's Lady of the Lake," School Stories, and a poem "The Old Dame's School."

The *New England Magazine* for July, is a finely illustrated number, and contains the following interesting articles: "Influence of Physical Features on New England's Development," "Forests and Forestry in Europe and America," "The Common and Human in Literature."

A recent number of *Garden and Forest* [New York], has an article on forestry in Canada in connection with the proposal to establish "The Algonquin National Park of Ontario." The proposed park is a place of great beauty, situated on the watershed between Georgian Bay and the Ottawa River, contains 1300 square miles of land and 166 square miles of water surface—contains beautiful woodland and lake scenery, and furnishes abundant opportunities for systematic forestry.

"Learn and Search," is the attractive title of an article in August *Popular Science Monthly*, from the pen of Prof. Rudolph Virchow of Berlin. In it the writer discusses plans of study in both the school and university.

## Charlotte County Teachers' Institute.

Fifteenth Annual Session to be held at Milltown, N.B., on October 5 and 6, 1893.

### PROGRAMME.

#### THURSDAY,

10 A. M.—Enrolment, etc.

2 P. M.—Lesson: Weights and Measures, Miss Minnie Dewar. Discussion.

PAPER:—Common Plants of the County, Mr. Vroom. Discussion to be opened by Mr. W. S. Covert.

7.30 P. M.—Public Meeting in Public Hall. Addresses by prominent citizens. Music.

#### FRIDAY,

9 A. M.—Lesson: Reading in Primary Grades, Miss Clara Bridges. Discussion.

PAPER:—English Grammar, Mr. J. B. Sutherland. Discussion to be opened by Mr. F. O. Sullivan.

2 P. M.—Paper: How to teach the Literature of the 3rd, 4th and 5th readers, Mr. C. H. Acheson. Discussion to be opened by Mr. W. J. Richardson. Election of officers. Fixing time and place of next meeting.

The usual travelling arrangements will be made, and published in the *Courier* at a later date.

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