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This publication contains a number of papers on different subjects which have appeared from time to time in different periodicals, and are now published in book form. It consists of lectures and reviews on different subjects, several on Education, one on "A Piece of Chalk," "The Origin of Species," "The Physical Basis of Life, &c." The latter has been severely criticised on account of the peculiar views set forth in it. The subject of the lecture which is translated into the "Physical Basis of Life" was "Protoplasm," a kind of matter which is common to all living beings, and from reading his lecture it would appear that the writer was endeavouring to show that this matter was the basis of life,—LIFE ITSELF. It is, however, a very ably written lecture, and well worthy a careful perusal.

The lecture on a "Piece of Chalk" is most beautiful, plain, simple and truthful, within the comprehension of the working classes, to whom it was first delivered. It is clear in thought, suggestive, and most instructive throughout. The lecture on the "Origin of the Species" is also very cleverly written. He is bold and fearless in expressing his opinions, no matter how much they may be at variance with the opinions of his co-scientists. We commend this work to our readers with pleasure.

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