

only once for yourself, and put it in practice with your pupils for two weeks.

INVERNESS M.—Your remarks about "Gladman's School Management" and the scarcity of the book is hardly in keeping with the fact that, at least, one of the booksellers in Montreal has them in stock. In the meantime, a copy of the book has been sent to you from the department. Write to Dawson Bros., Montreal; or to Drysdale & Co.

YOURS FAITHFULLY.—We have no hesitation in saying you are right, and would certainly have said so even had you failed to write the latter part of your letter. We have offered, on other occasions, to open some such a bureau as that you mention for teachers. But Commissioners seem to delay, as a general thing, to the last moment, thinking, no doubt, that some one will turn up to take charge of their vacancy. It must not be supposed, however, that we cannot be of service to the teachers of the province when they are out of a situation. Many of the appointments of last year in the Superior Schools were recommended privately by some one of the editors of the RECORD. No man is more anxious to help the teacher out of his or her difficulties than the Secretary of the Department, the Rev. Mr. Rexford, and to him application may be always safely made. And thus it is that the *bureau* you ask for is open, and has been open for some time. While replying to you, we may also say that teachers do not send us local items as they might do, which is hardly what was tacitly promised at some of our Institutes. All that need be said of such non-fulfilment of duty is that, if the items are not sent to the editor they can hardly appear in the paper.

D. C. HEATH & Co. will issue soon "Schiller's Ballads," edited, with an introduction and notes, by Henry Johnson Longfellow, Professor of Modern Languages in Bowdoin College. And the same company will publish next month, the old English Epic poem "Judith." It will be edited with introduction, translation and glossary, by Professor Albert S. Cook, of the University of California, who has endeavored to adapt it to the scholar, the academic student and the general reader.

Books Received and Reviewed.

THE MANUAL TRAINING SCHOOL, by G. C. M. Woodward, B.A., Ph. D., and published by D. C. Heath & Co., Boston, New York and Chicago. This is really a very fine contribution to the literature of a new art—the art of educating the physical with results useful in the after years of the pupil. The book itself is practical, its main object being to show how a manual training school should be organized and conducted. It comprises four parts, the first being historical, the second being an exposition of the methods and scope of a manual-training school, the third referring to the results as shewn by the records and the testimony of graduates and others, and the fourth, containing discussions of the educational, social and economic bearings of manual training. In the book there is also to be found the course of drawing which has proved eminently successful in the St. Louis schools. There are many fine illustrations in the volume; altogether, we know of no book which discusses the subject so fully and clearly.

PRACTICAL PHYSICS FOR SCHOOLS AND THE JUNIOR STUDENTS OF COLLEGES, by Balfour Stewart, M.A., LL.D., F.R.S. and Haldane Gee, B. Sc., and published by MacMillan & Co., London and New York. This is volume one of a new series of text-books. The subjects treated are Electricity and Magnetism. Balfour Stewart's name is in itself a guarantee of the excellence of this text-book, which, from its arrangement, experiments, and simple explanations, will find its way in a very short time into every junior class in our colleges, either as a class-book or as a student's help.