

moderate a compass. Strange as it would appear to those who never considered the subject, there is no portion of the education of the young so replete with error as that which relates to the Geography of the earth, its inhabitants, and the plants and minerals which compose it. Most of the treatises are mere compilations from former works on the subject, and are filled with the errors which the progress of discovery and science in all its branches, are day by day correcting. From faults of this description this work of Mr. Lovell's is altogether free. The information is as comprehensive and correct, so far as the latest information from every quarter can insure its being so, in the most distant and least known country, as in the oldest and best settled communities. There is with respect to every portion of the globe a mass of information, collected in a form so compressed, and yet so full, as really seems incomprehensible. There is not a subject, comprised under the term geography in its largest sense, which will not be found treated of in this book: it is really a *multum in parvo*, invaluable as a work of reference. The maps are admirable, and executed with a clearness and accuracy that reflects credit on the engravers, and the wood-cuts, representatives of man, the various animals, plants, etc., with views of places and public buildings, are excellent. We hope sincerely that Mr. Lovell will derive remuneration proportionate to the great labor and expense bestowed on the work; the cheapness of the price certainly should ensure for it an universal admission into every household.—*Montreal Transcript*.

LOVELL'S GENERAL GEOGRAPHY.—This is the most important work which has yet issued from the Canadian Press, as it is the best. The maps are new, including the latest changes and discoveries; and the general information is brought down to the latest date. The illustrations embrace views of the principal cities, most remarkable natural objects, and vegetable and animal productions. The text of the work has been furnished by J. G. Hodgins, LL.B., F.R.G.S., Deputy Superintendent of Education for Upper Canada, and is concise, accurate, and lucid. As a whole, indeed, Lovell's General Geography leaves nothing to be desired; and must be warmly welcomed throughout the British Possessions in America as a work long needed.—*Commercial Advertiser, Montreal*.

LOVELL'S GENERAL GEOGRAPHY.—This is a very valuable work, lately published by our enterprising citizen, Mr. Lovell, which we warmly commend to the notice of Teachers, and all persons engaged in the task of Education. It is a work that has received high commendation from the most different quarters, from Catholics and Protestants, and will be found equally adapted for the schools of both.—*True Witness, Montreal*.

LOVELL'S GENERAL GEOGRAPHY.—The introductory chapter which is subdivided into the three sections of Mathematical Geography, Physical Geography, and Political Geography, is remarkable for the conciseness and preciseness of the terms employed under the different headings, and for the facts enumerated, while under the head of General Geography, is given the peculiarities of the various territorial divisions which constitute the countries of the earth. The amount of information, whether of a general or specific nature, given under this division of the work, is enormous. Thus it not only specifies the peculiarities for which each country is remarkable, such as its agricultural, or mineral or fertile products, &c., but also its physical features, its climate, its educational capabilities, its divisions into districts and counties, with an enumeration of the principal cities or towns, and their relative populations up to the latest date, as well as other objects of interest appertaining thereto. Merely to say that Mr. Hodgins, the able and accomplished author of the volume, has executed his work well, is we think but paying him a poor compliment. He has undertaken and discharged a duty which we think few could have achieved with equal success. He has established for himself, by his devotedness and zeal, his "monumentum ære perennius," for we feel assured that this volume will assume a first if not the first rank among works of the kind in educational institutions. Besides the teacher and the scholar, the volume presents attractions to the merchant, the professional man, and even the mechanic, as the information which it contains is so varied.—*British American Journal, Montreal*.

LOVELL'S GENERAL GEOGRAPHY.—We have been favored with a copy of this excellent, and we should say, indispensable School Book. It has often been a matter of just complaint by parents that our children and youth have been obliged for their geographical information to confine themselves to British or American publications, the former devoting quite an inadequate portion of their information to these Provinces, and the latter still less, and what little information the American publications did contain, was far from being correct, and seemed to place the Provinces in an altogether unfavorable light, with full information of their own country, and that highly colored. We need not point out the undesirableness of such a Geographical text-book, we would not be understood as condemning these text-books as unsuitable for the localities for which they were written and intended to be used, but we think the rising generation in these Provinces should have a Geographical Text-Book for themselves giving a true history and correct description compatible with their political and social

importance—and such a Text-Book we have in that now before us. We hope it will be generally adopted by our school authorities.—*Canada Temperance Advocate, Montreal*.

LOVELL'S GENERAL GEOGRAPHY.—We have bestowed some time in the examination of Lovell's General Geography and find that in the matter made use of, the general arrangement of the work, maps and illustrations, it is infinitely superior to any Geography at present in use. It is not alone a Geography as the name would imply: it is a Geography and Atlas combined. We are pleased to see this work, if it were for no other reason than that the British North American Provinces have received that attention from the Author to which they are entitled. In the United States Geographies, which are principally in use in our Schools, these Provinces obtain but a very brief notice; and, in addition, the youthful mind receives from them ideas of the vastness and importance of the American Republic, as contrasted with the British Empire, which are anything but correct. And whilst these evils have been corrected it must not be understood that the other countries both on the Eastern and Western Hemispheres, do not receive their due share of notice. No work of the kind could be more complete. Mr. Lovell deserves the thanks of the country for his enterprise in publishing so valuable a work, and in having secured the services of so painstaking and able an editor as Mr. J. G. Hodgins.—*Daily Leader, Toronto*.

THE NEW GEOGRAPHY.—John Lovell of Montreal has just published a new General Geography for use in our Canadian Schools. It contains numerous Maps and Illustrations, in the best style, among which we observe separate Maps of British Columbia, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and of Canada East and West. The Author is J. G. Hodgins, LL.B., F.R.G.S. We have no hesitation in pronouncing it, in every respect, the best Geography for Schools that we have yet seen. It must come into universal use in Canada, and therefore the sooner it is introduced into Schools the better.—*Christian Guardian, Toronto*.

LOVELL'S GENERAL GEOGRAPHY.—We are very much pleased with this work, which we have examined carefully. The maps are accurate and well engraved, the typography is excellent, and the whole execution of the work highly creditable to Canadian enterprise. A great deal of detailed and valuable information is given, especially regarding the British American Provinces. Nor is Great Britain, which the Author very correctly says, "is the largest island in Europe, and the most important in the world," overlooked. It has long been matter of regret that so many of the school books in use among us are the productions of American authors, and calculated from the tone in which Britain, and everything British is spoken of, and the undue prominence given to the United States, to develop a very undesirable feeling amongst the rising generation. There is no doubt that a great deal of the sympathy for the Republican form of Government, and the avowed preference for the United States manifested by Young Canada, is to be traced directly to the School books: which necessity has compelled us to use. This necessity is now we trust at an end, and we hope the Series of School Books, of which the volume before us forms a part, will meet with acceptance among School teachers and come into general use.—*Canadian United Presbyterian Magazine, Toronto*.

LOVELL'S GENERAL GEOGRAPHY.—This work supplies a want long felt in our Canadian Schools, namely, that of a work in which more prominence should be given to those territories in which our children as Canadians and British subjects are most interested. It is much in the style of Morse's Geography, which we hope it will soon supersede. A map and full description are given of each of the Provinces of British North America; while the States are given in sections, and consequently occupy less space without the omission of any important feature. As a manual of Geography it seems to leave nothing further to be desired. The type is clear, though much of it is necessarily small; the paper good, price moderate, for the amount of information, maps, and views which it contains.—*Echo, Toronto*.

LOVELL'S GENERAL GEOGRAPHY.—Every teacher of Geography in the Province is well aware of the unsuitable character of American text-books for home use, and the grave objections that the descriptive portions of Mitchell and Morse are open to, inasmuch as they, in their anxiety to give prominence to the United States, and to flatter the national vanity, abound in statements and allusions which are to use the mildest term, indifferently well adapted to the youth of Canada. With regard to British Geographies, although in many respects admirable, they are open to this drawback on their availability in the Province. The above is a summary of the prefatory notice to the volume on our table, and we have examined it as carefully as moments of comparative leisure would permit. The introductory chapter on Mathematical, Physical, and Political Geography is a marvel of concise simplicity, which will at the outset enlist the approbation of the thinking teacher. The "tabular statements" added to those introductory paragraphs which relate to the general geography of each of the principal divisions of the globe, are particularly valuable; while the prominent notice of each British Colony supplies precisely that want which is complained of in the English text-books. All in all, Lovell's General Geography is a very valuable addition to Canadian school books.—*Home Journal, Toronto*.