

ZELL'S POPULAR ENCYCLOPEDIA

AND

UNIVERSAL DICTIONARY

New and Revised Edition, with 18 Coloured Maps.

THIS work furnishes a complete description of every subject connected with History, Biography, Geography, Science, Art, Language, Natural History, Botany, Mineralogy, Medicine, Law, Mechanics, Architecture, Manufacturing, Agriculture, Bible History, Church History, Religions, &c.

It is, in fact, equal to a complete library of works on all subjects.

Printed in ordinary type and page, it would make **Twenty Volumes**, worth not less than \$5 each, or \$100 for the entire work.

It contains nearly 150,000 articles, all prepared with great care, by the most able authors, each specially qualified for his particular part.

An article in the *National Quarterly*, edited by Ed. I. Sears, LL.D., gives the views of that able and scholarly reviewer and critic upon this work.

He begins with remarking that he had received not less than fifty letters within the year, asking his opinion of Zell's Popular Encyclopedia.

From a prejudice against the word "**popular**," as too often used in this country, the Doctor confesses that, **before examining** it, his faith in the new Encyclopedia was very slight. After a careful examination, he speaks of it, with unqualified commendation, as follows:

"'Blessed,' he says, quoting Swift, 'are they that expect nothing, for they shall not be disappointed.' If we are not blessed, we are at least agreeably surprised. The prefix **popular**, as generally used in this country, is not appropriate in this present instance, but in the sense of **instructive and useful to all classes of the people** who have any taste for the acquisition of knowledge, or any desire for extending the sphere of their intelligence; and, in this sense, we know no similar work to which it may be more justly applied. In other words, the new Encyclopedia is not the crude, shallow, slipshod, self-contradictory sort of performance which so many of our authors and compilers seem to regard as only suitable for the people, and the only kind that ought to be called **popular**. It is a work which, while it must prove attractive, as well as useful, to those who have received only the most elementary education, cannot fail to recommend