

character. The notes to this edition are copious—86 pages of notes (mostly brief) to 154 pages of text and are in this editor's well-known practical style. Printing, paper and binding are all excellent.

The second part of *Macmillan's Shorter Latin Course*, an abridgment of the second part of *Macmillan's Latin Course*, has recently appeared from the press. The editors are Mr. Cook and Mr. Pantin, both assistant masters in St. Paul's School, and the chief difference between the method of this book and that of most others of the kind is that it follows, as far as possible, the method by which a child gradually acquires his mother's tongue. The notes, the vocabularies, and all the other parts of the book show good work. (London: Macmillan & Co., through the Copp Clark Co., Toronto.)

*Practical Lessons in Physical Measurement*, By Alfred Earl, M.A., Barrister-at-Law. (London: Macmillan, & Co., through the Copp, Clark Co., Toronto.) This handbook is a kind of introduction to the study of Physical Science and deals with methods of measurement of mass, space, time, simple changes requiring exact measurement, etc. It is a book for Laboratory practice and seems likely, if at all well used, to help students to think clearly, reason properly and observe accurately—all far more important things than the mere committing to memory of isolated facts.

Messrs. Ginn & Co. have just published, under the name of *First Latin Book*, an abridgment of the *Beginner's Latin Book*, by Collar and Daniell. The present book is by the same authors. It is shorter and easier, but not less thorough nor less fresh and interesting. The special and general vocabularies are worthy of mention.

We have received from Messrs. W. and A. K. Johnston, Edinburgh,

some fine colored pictures intended to aid in the teaching of Object-Lessons, etc.

We note with pleasure that the *Cambridge University Press* are issuing, under the editorship of Prof. Prothero, of Edinburgh University, a series of text books dealing with the history of Modern Europe from the end of the fifteenth century to the present time. These books are intended for the use of all interested in history and politics and promise to be of no little value. The first of the series is entitled "The Revolutionary and Napoleonic Era" and is written by J. H. Rose, M.A., of Cambridge University, Extension Lecturer in Modern History. The introductory chapter is on "The Political and Social Weakness of Europe," and the final chapter on "The Reconstruction of Europe" and thus we find the French Revolution rightly treated, as a part of a greater movement. Great care and pains has evidently been bestowed on this work; the style of the writer is clear and interest is added by the quotation of the words of many of the actors in the great drama. We know of no other book which deals adequately with the question and is, at the same time, suited to the needs of general students.

*Macmillan's Classical Series.* "Cicero's Pro Murena." Edited, with introduction and notes, by J. H. Freese, M.A. (London: Macmillan & Co., through the Copp, Clark Co., Toronto.) Mr. Freese has prepared this edition for the use of advanced students and has relied mainly on the edition of Halm-Laubmann (Berlin, 1893) for the text, but a short Critical Appendix is added, giving the more important of various readings. "An Introduction," "Outline of the Speech," "Chronological Table," "Index," and some seventy pages of good notes, make up the volume.