

*Popular Poets of the Period.* Nos. 3-7. Edited by F. A. H. Eyles. (London: Griffith, Farran & Co.) We have pleasure in repeating with emphasis the favourable opinion already expressed of this series. The editor has placed at the disposal of teachers good material in a convenient and inexpensive form. Among the names of the poets we observe Sarah Doudney, M. Betham-Edwards, Austin Dobson, Professor Blackie.

(1) *Elementary Chemical Technics.* By George N. Cross, A.M. (Boston: The Eastern Educational Bureau and Silver, Rogers & Co.) (2) *Simple Experiments for the Schoolroom.* By Prof. Woodhull. (New York and Chicago: E. L. Kellogg & Co.) These hand-books are prepared for the use of teachers who are not experienced in practical chemistry work, or who have insufficient appliances for teaching that subject. We think it cannot fail to be of use to those for whom it is intended.

*An Introduction to the Poetry of Robert Browning.* By Professor William Alexander. (Boston: Ginn & Co.) The Professor elect of English Literature in University College, Toronto, has published under the above title a series of lectures delivered by him to a class of advanced students. The various chapters deal with the "General Characteristics," "Philosophy," "Christianity," "Theory of Art," and "Development" of the Poet. Analyses of many poems are given, and the treatment of the subject is at once sympathetic and luminous.

*A Short History of the English People.* By John Richard Green. In Four Parts. Parts I. and II. (London: Macmillan & Co.) Mr. Green's History (revised edition) is now republished in four parts. (Part I. to 1265; Part II. to 1540.) The corresponding part of Mr. Tait's Analysis, also the corresponding maps, tables, etc., are bound up with each part. On account of its convenience this will probably be the favourite edition of this history, which we do not praise simply because we feel it is beyond our praise.

*The Hallowing of Work.* Rev. Francis Paget. (London: Rivingtons.) The addresses delivered by Canon Paget, of Christ Church, at the Headmasters' Conference, held at Eton, January 16-18, 1888, have been published at the earnest wish of those who heard them, and to the profit of those who may read them. They were given at morning or evening service, or at the celebration of the Holy Communion, during the days of the Conference.

(1) *A Manual of Cur'ive Shorthand.* (2) *A System of Phonetic Spelling.* By Hugh L. Callendar, B.A., Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge. (London: C. J. Clay & Sons.) Cursive shorthand, it is claimed, is easier to learn and write, and shorter, than any other system. The explanation of its principles in this little book seems to be full and carefully written. (2) Discusses the pronunciation of the language, and suggests a new system of phonetic spelling.

(1) *With My Father.* (2) *From Strength to Strength.* Compiled by the Rev. Edwin Hobson, M.A., Principal and Chaplain of St. Katharine's College, Tottenham. With Preface by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Wakefield. (London: Roper & Drowley.) The language of these two short manuals of Home and School Prayers is simple and devout. The prayers are not long, and, in a word, the children who may use them are likely to understand and be benefited by them. The latter is intended for older boys and girls.

*Analytic Geometry.* By Professor A. S. Hardy, of Dartmouth College author of "Elements of Quaternions." (Boston: Ginn & Co.) Part I. of Professor Hardy's work deals with Plane Analytic Geometry, and Part II. with Solid Analytic Geometry. In Part I. the subjects dealt with are Co-ordinate Systems, Equations of the First Degree, Equations of the Second Degree, and Loci; in Part II., the Point, Straight Line, and Plane; Surfaces of Revolution, Conic Sections, and the Helix. The object of the author has been to prepare a book suitable in every respect for a student's use, which should throw light on difficult points and