

CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE.

"EDUCATION" for March contains a useful article on "English Grammar, viewed from all sides," by Prof. Edward A. Allen.

THE March *Atlantic* is a readable number. Perhaps most of us will enjoy Dr. Holmes' "Hundred Days" more than anything else.

THE *School Newspaper* provides pleasant accounts of what goes on in all parts of the world. The selections are varied and judicious.

A RECENT number of the *Overland* contained an interesting article on the Training School for Nurses in San Francisco. The March issue is rich in the local sketches for which this magazine is noted.

THE work of our valued exchange, the *Sunday School Times*, grows more important and useful year by year. Able scholars and teachers contribute to its columns, and the thoughts on the editorial page are fresh and helpful.

THERE is no better magazine for Sunday and general reading than the *Quiver*. Among the contributors to the April number may be mentioned the Dean of Armagh, the Rev. Prof. W. G. Blaikie and the Hon. Catharine Scott. The serials are much above the average of magazine stories.

THE death of Prof. E. L. Youmans, the founder, and till his death, the senior editor of the *Popular Science Monthly*, has taken from the ranks of living scientists a devoted and unselfish worker in the cause of science. His brother, Mr. W. J. Youmans, succeeds him in the editorship of the *Popular Science Monthly*.

THE current *Eclectic* is full of good reading. There are few intelligent people who will not find here something from which to profit. "Locksley Hall and the Jubilee," by Mr. Gladstone; "A Thought-Reader's Experience," by Mr. Stuart Cumberland;

"Paganism in England," from the *Gentleman's Magazine*, may be mentioned among other articles.

ON TEACHING ENGLISH. With detailed examples, and an inquiry into the definition of poetry. 2s. 6d.

ENGLISH COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC.—Enlarged edition. Part I: Intellectual elements of style. By Alexander Bain, LL.D., London: Longmans, Green & Co. 3s. 6d.

In remodelling his work on English Composition and Rhetoric, Dr. Bain has divided it into two parts, and issued a companion volume, "On Teaching English." These books are of great value, and should be diligently studied by all teachers who may be fortunate enough to have access to them. Fully illustrated by examples, and dealing with the very subjects on which the enthusiastic teacher of English needs light, we heartily commend them to the profession.

THE USE OF MODELS. A teacher's assistant in the use of the Prang Models for form study and drawing in Primary Schools. Boston: The Prang Educational Co.

ESSENTIALS OF ENGLISH GRAMMAR. By Prof. W. D. Whitney, of Yale College. Boston: Ginn & Co.

Teachers will find in this little book many suggestions for the better teaching of English Grammar. Every point is amply illustrated by good examples. The work will repay careful reading.

A SERIES of outline maps, intended for the use of Geography and History classes, is now being published by Messrs. D. C. Heath & Co. of Boston. We think that in the hands of a judicious teacher these maps would be of great use. Price \$1.50 per hundred. Samples free.