

School. Published by Ginn & Company, Boston. Eysenbach's book is well known to be the work of a man who has a genius for teaching. As Mr. Collar in his excellent introduction remarks, no book is so ingeniously and admirably adapted to secure the first great requisite, a perfect practical mastery of forms. It is also one of the best for acquiring a ready command of materials for conversations and the common modes of expression. The Collar edition of Eysenbach, it need hardly be said, is a great improvement on the original work. The exercises are not of the usual senseless kind, but lead to the reading of simple narrative as soon as possible.

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REPORT OF THE JUNE EXAMINATIONS OF MODEL SCHOOLS AND ACADEMIES. 1887.

The written examinations in connection with the inspection of the Model Schools and Academies, under the direction of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction, have this year been held simultaneously at the various schools with the most favorable results. The papers containing the questions for the various grades were issued from the Department some days previous to the first of the month, and with but few exceptions, the examination papers were placed in the hands of the pupils on the morning advertised. The exceptions included the schools in the remote districts of the province, with which there is no direct connection by means of the express, yet all the examinations were concluded before the end of the week, in the lower grades at least. The manner of conducting the examination seems to have given very general satisfaction, and there have been sent to the Inspector several letters from the leading teachers in the province in which the new plan is commended in terms which point to a desire for its perpetuation. One teacher says: "We are highly pleased with the questions and the time allotted for answering them. I believe these examinations will have a very beneficial influence. I see an awakening up here already amongst both pupils and parents." Another says: "I think if this new plan of examination be carried out strictly every year, the schools must improve in time very materially." Mr. Howard, of Sherbrooke, says: "I am delighted with the sys-