

phrase is *being by name*, with elision of *being*, and reduction of *by name*. The Latin *vic.* is reduced in an English sentence to a mere *particle of apposition*.

*Plants* is in apposition with *inhabitants*; properly it is the participial predicate after *being* understood, but in English generally, (and in Latin always) this participle is omitted, and the predicate becomes either an attribute or an appositive.

35 *Who* is here an example of Rhetorical Anacolouthon, or Change of Construction.

"The word *who*. Who refers to Caius Verres, and is in the Nom. case, being the subject of a sentence introduced, but not proceeded with. The orator has been speaking of Verres by description in the former part of the discourse. He now mentions him by name, and proceeds as if to express something about Verres, but having spoken the relative pronoun, pauses slightly, seems to change his mind as to what he is going to say, and varies his discourse {to suit the altered current of his thought. By this rhetorical artifice the orator causes Verres to assume the most prominent position in the auditors' minds." H. T. SCUDAMORE.

*Decline*. "To explain the meaning is as impossible as to explain the colloquial English of a

Chicago Dutchman. The most lucid supposition is that the "Song of Steam" was written by a lunatic, and inserted in the Fifth Reader, out of compliment to Dr. Workman." H. T. SCUDAMORE.

By the way, the "Song of Steam" is marked *Anon* in the Fifth Reader. Was it not by one Ferguson, not the *Ferguson*?

#### PROBLEMS.

40. Twice James' money is quadruple William's and the interest at 5 *per cent.* for 33 years, on what they both have is \$55. How much money had each? A. MCINTOSH, PINKERTON.

41. A liquor agent of a Canadian town held the office for one year, at the close of which he gave the following statement of his accounts :

Amount of cash received upon assuming office.....	\$32.17
Value of liquor received at same time....	57.54
Cash received from sales during the year..	107.97
Cash paid for liquors bought during the year.....	59.91
Salary of agent.....	25.00
Value of liquor on hand at close of year....	31.37

Does the town owe the agent, or the agent owe the town, and how much? A. MCINTOSH.

#### EDITOR'S DRAWER.

TRINITY COLLEGE, MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.—We would call special attention to the announcement of this Institution, which will be found on the cover. The Medical Department of Trinity College has a very high reputation, and the Faculty includes a number of the most eminent medical men of the Province. The next Session will commence on the 1st of October next.

PRIZE ESSAY.—The Publishers of the ONTARIO TEACHER, being anxious to assist in the development of a native literature of education, take pleasure in offering to the Public School Teachers and Inspectors of Ontario, a prize of Twenty Dollars' worth of books suitable for a Teacher's Library, for the best Essay on "The Requirements of our Rural Schools." The conditions are that the Essay shall not exceed twelve pages of the TEACHER; that each competitor shall send his manuscript sealed, and designated by some appropriate motto, but without his name to the Publishers of the TEACHER, on or before December 1st, 1873; he shall also write separately to the Publishers, giving his name and the motto used; the Essay shall then be submitted for their award to a competent Committee, who shall not be aware of the names of the

writers, and one of whom shall be one of the Professors of Toronto University; the essays to be the property of the Publishers, and the successful one to be published in the TEACHER as early as possible in 1874. We trust this liberal offer may draw out a large number of essays. The following is a list of books we propose to give, but should the successful competitor desire it, will be willing to substitute for them any others that can be conveniently obtained, the value of the whole to be \$20 :

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- Wickersham's Method of Instruction.
- Thompson's Wayside Thoughts.
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- Miller's Schools and Schoolmasters.
- Trench on the Study of Words.
- Sheldon's Lessons on Objects.
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- Moore's Dean's English.
- Craik's English Literature.
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