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Latin, presumably, stands where it did. Even Greek finds defenders, Lord Kelvin, and Lord Lister, among others. If made non-compulsory, however, its true votaries will hardly be fewer; least of all at Oxford, "the home of lost causes." Its unwilling victims will be set free. Compulsion, anyway, has its limits.

The chiel, it may be said, grows didactic, not to say prosy. If so, he makes his apology; but remarks that he cannot always be amusing—or even try to be, which, probably, is nearer the mark.

THE CHIEL.

Book Review.

A story for children under the title of "Two LITTLE GIRLS," comes to us from the versatile pen of Lillian Mack. The childish simplicity and trusting faith of innocence is so beautifully portrayed in a crippled boy, that one cannot read it without feeling benefited therefrom. The tale is told in simple language, and it is a book which should be found in every home where there are children, that they may draw from it many useful lessons which it contains. This book is published by Benzinger Bros., at the small cost of 45 cents.

"THE GREAT CAPTAIN."—A story of the days of Sir Walter Raleigh, from the pen of Katharine Tynan Hinkson, the Irish novelist, is told in such a charming manner, that the reader forgets for a time that there is history in the tale, seeing only the man, his ambition, his success and his sorrow. Every chapter is full of incident and makes delightful reading as well as affording information. The cover of the book is neat, the point clear, and it is published by the well known firm of Benzinger Bros., for 45 cents.

The American Book Company have issued a revised edition of Rolfe's "As You Like It," one of Shakspeare's most sparkling comedies. There are several important changes including the abridgment of the textual variations and the critical comments.