

of Harvard, entitled, "Education for Efficiency. (Cloth, price 35 cents each. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston).

Coe's School Readers offer much new, fresh and interesting material, including stories of adventure, of humor, of child life, of animal life, of chivalry, etc. They appeal to the teacher as well as to the pupil. The selections are of literary value, the teaching sound and wholesome, with high ideals. The books are carefully graded, the illustrations numerous and attractive, and the books admirably suited for supplementary use in connection with any standard series of readers. (Cloth. Third Grade Reader, 284 pages, price 40 cents. Fourth Grade Reader, pages 360, price 50 cents. American Book Company, New York; Morang Educational Company, Toronto).

With number exercises, diagrams and attractive illustrations, the *Number Primer* presents a novelty to the child mind that will at once make a vivid and lasting impression. It is capable of great results, and in the hands of a bright teacher will secure interest and rapid progress of little ones in arithmetic. It is intended from the first to be in the hands of the pupil. (Cloth, pages 176, price 30 cents. American Book Company, New York; Morang Educational Company, Toronto).

Messrs. Ginn & Company have just published a revised edition of the *Six Orations of Cicero*, comprising the Four Orations against Catiline, the Manilian Law, and the Oration for Archias. These are arranged in chronological order, but the Catilines have been treated with especial fulness, since it is with them that the study of Cicero is usually begun. The new edition is a model of beauty in the arts of binding, illustration and printing. (Half leather, pages 226, mailing price \$1.10. Ginn & Company, Boston).

In the Canadian edition of Stowell's *Essentials of Health* no pains have been spared to give a concise and effective text on this important subject. The book has recently been prescribed for use in the schools of British Columbia, and a section on tuberculosis by C. J. Fagan, M. D., provincial health officer of Victoria, B. C., has been added in view of the general interest on this subject. (Cloth, pages 315. The Educational Book Company, Toronto).

Since its first appearance in 1833, Schiller's *Maria Stuart* has remained one of the favourite German school classics in this country. The new edition, which has just been published by Ginn & Company, is based on a careful examination of Schiller's sources and an explanation of the historical details of the work. The introduction, notes and vocabulary, are very complete, and the binding and printing of a most artistic character. (Cloth, xlii+361 pages, mailing price 85 cents. Ginn & Company, Boston).

Der Fluch der Schönheit ("the Curse of Beauty.") the plot of which is based on the background of the Thirty Years' War is a story told in Riehl's simple, easy and straightforward style, with rapid action throughout. It is an admirable text for use by second or third-year pupils in the high school, or beginners in college, as it furnishes material for high literary quality for translation work, and at the same time supplies valuable historical information. (Cloth, xiv+137 pages, mailing price 45 cents. Ginn & Company, Boston).

Hoadley's Physical Laboratory Handbook is a collection of sixty-two laboratory experiments covering the various topics usually taken up in secondary schools. The experiments have been selected with care, and apparatus required is not elaborate. (Cloth, pages 107, price 50 cents. American Book Company, New York; Morang Educational Company, Toronto).

The *Primer of Nursery Rhymes* is a delightful and entertaining book for young children, with graded reading matter made up from carefully chosen illustrations. (Cloth, pages 126, price 30 cents. Houghton, Mifflin & Company, Boston).

Wendell B. Shaw will publish early in the fall under one cover two songs,—one entitled "Normal School," which was written by him while in attendance at the Provincial Normal School of N. B., and which was so kindly received by the students and teachers. The other is entitled "The Braves of the Nation," and is "dedicated to the teachers of Canada." The latter song is written for teachers' use in conventions and institutes. Mr. E. Cadwallader, of the Normal School, Fredericton, has written the music for both.

The "Canadian Magazine" for May is an interesting number. Besides the timely articles on subjects of importance to Canadian readers and stories, there are clever nature and character sketches.

Education Department, New Brunswick. Official Notices.

The number of teaching days in the present term is 124, except in St. John, where the number is 123.

The last day of the present term is Wednesday, June 30th, and the first day of the next term is Thursday, August 12th, except in districts which have eight weeks' vacation, under the provisions of Regulation 20 (2). In such districts the first day of the term will be Thursday, August 26th.

DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATIONS.

The dates on which the next Departmental Examinations will begin are as follows:

Normal School, Third Class.....	May 25th.
Normal School, Higher Classes.....	June 8th.
High School Entrance.....	June 21st.
Normal School Entrance.....	July 6th.
University Matriculation and High School Leaving, { July 6th.

The above examinations will be conducted in accordance with the Regulations as given in the *School Manual*. Teachers are requested to see that their pupils who intend to present themselves for Normal School Entrance or for the Matriculation and High School Leaving Examinations shall have their applications, with the required fee, forwarded to reach the Inspector in whose district they wish to write the examinations, not later than the last day of May.

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Education Office, April 23rd, 1909.