

and university accommodation shall be provided for the largely increased number of students inevitable under such a programme, and the remuneration of teachers, in both salaries and pensions, shall be liberal enough to induce the best men and women available to enter and remain in the profession". It might be supposed that a Workers' Association would attach more importance to primary and secondary education than to that given by the universities, but this programme provides for thoroughly efficient, scholarly universities. The following clause illustrates this: "Since an essential part of the work of a university lies in affording facilities for the advancement of knowledge, more adequate provision should be made for scientific and literary research conducted with this object". The whole programme is so democratic, so broad, so enlightened, that it should be studied in detail. It may be found in the February, 1917, number of "The Athenaeum", and copies may be obtained (post free, 1½d.) from The Workers' Educational Association, 14 Red Lion Square, Holborn, W.C.

Book Reviews

The Potato, by Eugene H. Grubb and W. S. Guilford, 542 pages, 90 illustrations. Published by The Musson Book Co., Toronto. Price \$2.00. The person who wishes to dig up his backyard and grow potatoes will find that this volume gives just the information that he needs: the kind of soil best adapted for potato-growing; the right fertilizers; the most prolific potatoes; the garden tools; the insects and blights along with the methods of combatting them; the time to plant and the time to harvest, as well as the best method of storage. It is a book written by two agriculturists who have had recourse to the government reports of all the countries where potatoes are grown, and who have visited the largest potato farms all over the world. They have discussed their subject from the standpoint of the practical grower. The farms of the United States produce an annual yield of 89.8 bushels per acre; Germany, 197.3 bushels per acre; Britain, 186.4 bushels per acre; Austria, 151.4 bushels per acre; France, 118 bushels per acre; Russia 98.4 bushels per acre. From this comparison they conclude that the growers of potatoes on the North American continent must learn the lesson of "intensive cultivation" from the European potato growers. The scientist will find a chapter on the botany and chemical composition of the potato. The teacher will find useful and interesting material in the history of the potato, and in the comparative tables showing the annual productions of the different countries. The potato grower will find information that will assist him in increasing production to meet the ever increasing consumption of one of our principal foods. The book should be in every library.

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The Globe Poetry Reader. Cloth, 190 pages; price 25 cents. The Macmillan Co. of Canada Ltd., Toronto. This reader, which completes the series of the "Globe" Poetry Books—Junior, Intermediate and Senior—is arranged for reading and recitation in the upper forms of Public Schools and junior forms of High School. The editor has made a good selection of short poems or extracts from longer poems by nearly thirty English poets of the last four centuries. The volume will be found very suitable for use in the first and second forms of the High School.

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