

Written for the Educator.

MOONRISE ON THE HILLS.

See yonder blazing disc 't is the moon,  
As slowly rising o'er the vallant hills  
It shines upon the forest's leafy tips  
And through the dew besprinkled foliage drips  
Its bright and sparkling rivulets of light,  
And makes my very heart in love with night  
I stand upon the hills when Heaven's blue arch  
Was silvered with the moon's returning march,  
And clouds beneath me, bathed in glimmering light,  
Were hovering mid-way o'er the wooded height,  
And in their awful nightly glory, shone  
Like mighty hosts, in battle overthrown.  
As many a spire, with over-changing glance,  
Sent through the nightly pall, its shattered lance  
And shaking on the rocky height, was left  
The tall oak, withered, blasted, bare and cleft.  
The cloud has disappeared, and far below,  
The River faintly gleams with winding flow,  
Here, darkened by the forests outstretched shade,  
There sparkling in the seaming white cascade.  
I hear the distant thundering waters dash,  
I see the turbulent waves in fury flash,  
And thickly by the blue lake's silver strand,  
The trees in silent, shady, grandeur stand.  
Then softly o'er the vale with gentle swell,  
The distant music of the village bell  
Comes sweetly to my far off wooded hill,  
And mingles with the voice of babbling rill.  
Wouldst thou a soul refreshing lesson read?  
Then go to Nature's outstretched grassy mead,  
There lay thee down in evening's sacred hour,  
And silent gaze on hill and dale and bower.

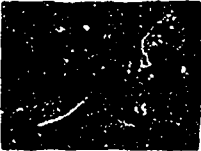
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Practical Lessons in Spencerian Penmanship.

ACCORDING TO THE REVISED SYSTEM AS TAUGHT BY PROF. MANN, OF THE LONDON COMMERCIAL COLLEGE.

PRINCIPLES.



In the Standard Capital Letter M the Capital Stem and descending left curve are united, as in N. The left curve is joined in a short turn at base to an ascending left curve, which rises to the height of the letter, the upper portion being on the same slant as the first curve in the Capital Stem, and similar to it. It unites angularly at the top with the Contracted Capital O, which completes the letter.

The ovals right and left of the downward lines are of equal height, and the three spaces between the four curves at the middle height of the letter, are equal.

ANALYSIS.

Principles:—Eighth, Third, Third, Sixth.

PROBABLE FAULTS.



Same as in N; and further second left curve retracing first; spaces too narrow

or too wide between Capital Stem and Contracted Capital O; Last section of the letter too short, or on wrong slant.

SUGGESTION.

Practice upon the parts separately as represented in the analysis.



The Capital Letter T commences two spaces above the ruled line with a left curve, rising one space, and uniting by a turn with a slanting

straight line, which descends one-fourth the distance to the ruled line, then joins angularly to a compound curve, made horizontally. This curve unites with a Capital Stem, with the upper curve slightly increased. It crosses the compound curve, forming a small loop, then descending to the ruled line completes the letter. The short straight line, if continued to the ruled line, would pass through the middle of the oval in the Capital Stem.

ANALYSIS.

Principles:—Third, Second, Third, Eighth.

PROBABLE FAULTS.



The compound curve in the top too long; the faults of straightening the downward line in the Capital Stem, making it too nearly perpendicular

and contracting the oval, are especially liable to occur in this letter.

SUGGESTION.

Practice upon the parts of the letter separately, observing the proportionate length and position of lines.



The Capital Letter F is the same as the T, with the addition of a left curve one-half space in length, made on a regular slant, on the right side of

the stem, opposite the termination of the oval.

ANALYSIS.

Principles.—Third, First, Third, Second, Eighth, Third.

PROBABLE FAULTS.



The same mis takes are liable to occur in forming this letter as in the T, and the finish is often made too

long, too far from the stem, and on the wrong slant.

SUGGESTIONS.

Same as in T. Aim to make the finish neat and well defined.

HONEY-COMB FROSTING.—One cup each of molasses, milk, chopped suet and seedless raisins; three cups of flour and one teaspoon of soda. Boil one hour.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

H. E. MAIDER—Many thanks! Small amounts may be sent in Postage stamps. B. C. DIXON—Good problems are always thankfully received.

J. J. FERRIS of North Sydney, Cape Breton, aged 11 years, sends us several solutions this month. We would like to hear from more of our young folks.

THE MISSING PAPERS.

We have, during the month, received information from Wakefield and Upper Magalloway, N. B., and from Wilfrid and Norwich, Ont., stating that the subscribers at those offices have not received their papers regularly for some time back. These papers were all mailed at the proper time, and under our personal supervision. It is really shameful that they should be thus stolen or destroyed, to the annoyance of those to whom they belong. We have, in all these cases, sent the missing numbers again, and should these deprivations be continued, we shall see if there is any remedy provided for such cases in our postal laws. We trust that our friends will promptly inform us of the fact, should their papers not be forthcoming in the future.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

During the past month we have received a greater number of new subscriptions than in any month before; but there are still many Post Offices in the Dominion where we have as yet, no subscribers, though we have been sending, thus far, during the year, several copies to each for gratuitous distribution. We shall, however, discontinue these free copies at the end of the year, and, as we advertised last month, all who subscribe now, will be entitled to the paper free, until the 1st of Jan. so that their subscriptions will commence with that date. May we not, therefore, expect to receive a club from each of these offices during the present month? We trust that all interested in the good cause of education, will do what they can to bring about this result. We shall announce in the January number, who have obtained the prizes offered, and they will be immediately forwarded to the successful parties. The very best time for canvassing is now just upon us, and we hope the opportunity will not pass unimproved.

GERMAN LADIES.

I have noticed that in German families, family government is very strict, compare I with the theory and practice in America on this subject—I may say extremely rigid. The rules and regulations are few, but they are enforced on all circumstances. Unquestioning submission to paternal authority, lies at the foundation of this government. Children are taught to entertain the highest respect for superiors and for age. It is beautiful to see the respectful manner in which they deport themselves in the presence of their superiors and older persons. They are also invariably polite to