

The symbol ∞ means "indefinite," or "numerous," and may be used when the parts of any organ exceed ten in number.

Under the head "Remarks" you may describe anything worthy of notice, for which provision is not made elsewhere in the schedule.

If you use the exercise-book which has been prepared to accompany the text-book, you will find also space for *drawing* such parts as are not easy to describe in words.

27. The three plants upon which we have been engaged up to this point are representatives or *types* of a very large group, called by botanists *Ranunculaceæ*, that is, *Ranunculaceous plants*. All the members of it, whilst they may differ in certain minor characteristics, agree in all the more important respects. The minor differences, such as we have observed in our examination of the specimens, lead to the sub-division of the group into several smaller groups, but any plant exhibiting the peculiarities common to all three may be regarded as typical of the *Order*, which is the name given to the group as a whole. These common peculiarities may be summed up with sufficient accuracy for our present purpose, as follows :

1. *The circles of flower-leaves, that is to say, the sepals, petals, stamens, and carpels, are entirely distinct, and unconnected with each other.*
2. *The several members of each circle are also entirely separate from each other.*
3. *It may be added that the stamens are almost invariably numerous, and that the plants are acrid to the taste.*