

To further this latter end we shall publish next month an article from the London *Graphic*, "*The Growth of the British Empire*," by Sir Charles Dilke.

The exercises in geography might be those suggested for competition this month, a run around the Empire or the drawing of Greater Britain on the blackboard and slates or in scribblers.

SOME PROBLEMS OF THE EMPIRE.

—ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF EMPIRE.—In 1800 the total area of the British Empire was 2,012,182 square miles, while in 1900 it is 12,596,608 square miles. How many square miles of territory have been added to the Empire in the 100 years? The area to-day is how many times as great as it was 100 years ago?

In 1800 Great Britain held in Canada and Newfoundland 515,950 square miles, and to-day she holds, under the title of British North America, 3,618,650 square miles of territory. How much greater are her possessions here to-day? How many times as great as they were 100 years ago? What fraction of the present area did Great Britain have in 1800? The area of Canada is what fraction (or decimal) of the area of the whole Empire? Find similar results for the other possessions. How have the Indian, African and Australasian possessions increased? Which is the largest colony of Great Britain? The next in size? Answer from the following and foregoing statements:—In 1800 Great Britain held in India 200,000 square miles, in Africa 20,000 square miles, and in Australasia (New South Wales) 1,000,000 square miles; while to-day she holds in India 1,668,960 square miles, in Africa 3,748,220 square miles, and in Australasia 3,175,320 square miles.

One hundred years ago the population of the British Empire was 31,417,000 and to-day it is 414,410,000. What increase in population has there been in 100 years? Answer the following questions from the subjoined statements considering Canada, India, Australasia, Africa, etc., daughters of the empire. Which daughter is the largest? If the daughters were arranged in the order of their size, how would they stand? How do the daughters compare with the mother in this regard? Find the total population of the British Empire. The United Kingdom has a population of 40,200,000; the possessions of the Mediterranean support