

To those who have followed us thus far, it will be evident what final judgment we are to pass on the work under review. On the one hand, as a contribution to philosophy, in the strict sense of that term, it does not possess any value. Professor Boole distinctly, though modestly enough, avows the opinion, that, in his "Investigation," he has gone deeper than any previous inquirers into the principles of discursive thinking, and that he has thus thrown new light on the constitution of the human mind. We are sorry to be unable to accept this view. But, on the other hand, Professor Boole is entitled to the praise of having devised a Method, according to which, through definite processes, it can be ascertained what conclusions, regarding any of the concepts entering into a system of premises, admit of being drawn from these premises. This Method depends on a Calculus, original, ingenious, singularly beautiful both in itself and in its relations to the science of Algebra, and capable (in hands like those of its inventor) of striking and important applications. In a word, the merit of the Treatise lies in that part of it which has nothing to do with the Laws of Thought, but which is devoted to showing how inferences, from data however numerous and complicated, and whatever be the matter of the discourse, can be reached through definite mathematical processes.

THE MOHAWK LANGUAGE.

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When I was requested to prepare a paper concerning the language of my people, to be read before your learned body, I readily assented; not because I was not fully sensible of the difficulty of the task, or that I was not painfully aware of my own inability to do a subject of so much importance anything like full justice: but in the hope that I might be able to contribute something which may prove of some assistance to those whose inquiries may be turned in the same direction.

It will not be expected, in a short paper like his, that more can be