

but the accent is placed on the wrong syllable. A list of words that should receive the accent on the penult (the second to last syllable of a word) is appended : *précédence*, *précédent*, *plethoric*, *plebeian*, *comment* (noun and verb), *colosseum*, *catechumen*, *Berlin*, *bedizen*, *Cadi*, *Barabbas*, *palaver*, *clandestine*, *aspirant*, *penates*, *Ariadne*, *anchovy*, *pianist*, *coadjutor*, *ancestral*, *placard*, *alternate* (noun and adjective), *allegro*, *cisalpine*, *alien* (two syllables), *promulgate*, *albumen*, *aged*, *cognomen*, *albino*, *Aeneid*, *adverse*, *Adonis*, *acclimate*, *abdomen*. This list of words might be placed on the black-board for an exercise in pronunciation.

—OUR grand business is not to see what lies dimly at a distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand.

*Carlyle.*

—AUTUMN STUDY OF NATURE.—As the leaves are now putting on their most gorgeous dresses, the children take an active interest in them. This suggests to the teacher that now is the time to collect leaves and make a study of them as to form, color, taste, etc. The insect life that connects itself with vegetation should also be observed. The flowers of field and forest are becoming fewer, so the few can receive greater attention. Blessings brighten as they take their flight. The birds too are departing. A hush is falling on the land. Nature is going to sleep. Where do all the birds and animals go? The heavenly bodies also obtrude themselves upon us more and more.

—SELF-GOVERNMENT —The problem of self government is one that presents itself to every thoughtful teacher. It is felt that the child cannot have suddenly thrust upon him the burden of governing himself, but that he must gradually be initiated into the mysteries of self-government. It requires a strong personality, both in teacher and pupil, to carry this out with complete success. When Frances E. Willard became principal of the Ladies' College at Evanston, near Chicago, she set herself to train her pupils to be self-governed. This was her method as told by a writer in the *Leisure Hour*. "She framed very few rules but instituted a roll of honor, pointing out to her pupils that the ideal of the college life and the proverb of the school should be "Just be a Christian lady." The girls were taught to regard their teachers as they would their mothers and elder sisters at home. The self-governed girls took the following pledge: "I promise so to conduct