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EDITORIAL NOTES.

SEE the advertisement of a teacher on page 199.

WE resume our course of plant lessons in this issue. In the April number will be found minuter details accompanied by drawings.

THE proposal to impose a postal tax on monthly publications in the Dominion of Canada would realize a revenue of perhaps \$2,000 a year, and cripple a literature that needs fostering. *Cui bono?*

REV. DR. PATTERSON, of Pictou, N. S., has handed over to Dalhousie University his valuable collection of objects, illustrative of the stone age.

WE have received the report of the Halifax School for the Blind. Among the excellent features of this admirably conducted and useful institution which mark the year just closed, are the introduction of the kindergarten methods and the establishment of a technical department for the training of the boys.

THE cut of the Canadian Pine Grosbeak in this issue, as well as that of the American robin to appear in our next, was made from drawings by Mr. Harry Piers, a graduate of the Halifax County Academy, from specimens in the Down's collection of Nova Scotian birds belonging to the Provincial Museum, Halifax.

WE have made arrangements whereby we will receive new subscriptions to the *Forum* with a subscription to the REVIEW for \$5.00. The price of the *Forum* alone is \$5.00 a year. This is an exceptional opportunity for every reader of the REVIEW to secure the *Forum*.

A good library has been instituted in connection with the Upper Woodstock, N. B., schools. The teachers have been chiefly instrumental in making this desirable addition to the educational facilities of the schools, and their efforts in this line have met with a very generous response. Some 150 volumes of standard works are now in use, and it is expected that this number will receive additions from time to time from friends of the schools.—*Carleton Sentinel*.

WE are pleased to notice this evidence of progress, and would like to chronicle the fact that every school in the Atlantic Provinces has a school library, in which, first of all, a good encyclopædia is a necessity; then books of history, travel, science, etc., should have a place.

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IN the March *Forum* is an article on "Canada and the United States," by Dr. J. G. Schurman, a native of Prince Edward Island, and now Professor of Philosophy in Cornell University. He is the latest contributor to the discussion in the *Forum* of the possible annexation of Canada to the United States. Prof. Schurman sees so great a career for Canada that he opposes annexation. He reviews the history of the provinces, describes their vast territory and resources, and concludes that in their development a rapidly increasing population will find labor and riches; and that the future holds too large a promise for Canadians to be willing to make such a breach of