

negroes, and through them for the whites, are all pointed out. A number of illustrations add very much to the interest of the article. The conclusion of Appleton Morgan's Study of Recent Legislation against the Drink Evil seems still more strongly to confirm his view that the result of legislative interference up to date has rather increased than diminished drunkenness. The concluding article in Miss Zirngiebel's account of the Teachers' School of Science in Boston contains much interesting historical data and some good illustrations. . . . The September *Century* is a Salt-Water Number. The special feature of the magazine is the first of a series of four papers in which Captain Joshua Slocum narrates, in a humorous and individual style, the story of his successful circumnavigation of the globe, alone, in a forty-foot sloop, the *Spray*, constructed by himself. This unprecedented achievement involved two crossings of the Atlantic, and the rounding of Cape Horn and the Cape of Good Hope. In the opening instalment Captain Slocum takes the *Spray* from Buzzard's Bay to Gibraltar and thence, in forty days, to Pernambuco harbor, with "all well on board," and a great eagerness "for the the more perilous experience of rounding the Horn." . . . The September *St. Nicholas* is not, like the September *Century*, an avowedly "salt-water number," yet many of its pages are redolent of the briny ocean and its sandy shores. Pelicantown, described by the naturalist Frank M. Chapman, is a little island on the Florida coast whither thousands of pelicans resort annually to build their nests and lay their eggs. Why the Sea is Salt is a problem that has puzzled many a mind; to Mary Bradley it is seemingly very simple, and she explains the mystery in a string of jingling verses with striking illustrations by F. Y. Cory. . . . Dr. A. E. Winship will begin a series of about twelve articles in the *Journal of Education* (3 Somerset Street, Boston), September

14, upon the study of the contrast between "The Jukes," as studied by R. L. Dugdale, of the New York Prison Commission, and his own study of the family of Jonathan Edwards. Mr. Dugdale studied 1,200 of the Jukes; Dr. Winship has studied 1,400 of the family of Jonathan Edwards. That all who desire this special study may receive it, the publishers offer the *Journal of Education* for three months for 50 cents.

N. B. EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

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READERS.—The First Primer of a new series of Readers to be known as "The New Brunswick Readers," is authorized for use at the opening of the Schools on August 14th. The Board has also provided for the gradual introduction of the whole of said Series after such intervals in the case of each grade as shall, so far as possible, allow time for the books now in use to be exhausted.

Arrangements have also been made whereby all dealers may, within three months from the date on which notice shall be given of the prescribing of any grade or grades of said Series of Readers, exchange any books of the present Series for others of corresponding grades of the new Series—the dealer in each case to be allowed for the books given in exchange the full price paid by him therefor.

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The English Literature for the High Schools will be the same as used last year, with the exception of the substitution of Shakespeare's *Merchant of Venice* for *Richard II.* in Grade XI.

For Grade IX. Longfellow's *Evangeline*.

Any edition may be used. (Houghton's and Mifflin's Riverside Series recommended).

NOTE.—Teachers are authorized to take up Scott's *Lady of the Lake*, if time permits, after finishing *Evangeline*. (Any cheap edition of *The Lady of the Lake* may be used).

For Grades X. and XI., Select poems of Goldsmith, Wordsworth, Scott, Keats, Shelley and Byron—the first three for Grade X. and the last three for Grade XI.

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J. R. INCH,
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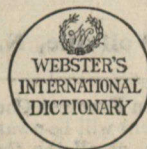
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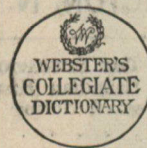
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