

tematic methods of working, in developing the ability to reason back to a general law from a particular set of observations, and in cultivating habits of precise expression of ideas and principles on the pages of the note-book. The Manual gives much valuable information as to the proper fitting up and maintaining of the physical laboratory, and provides problems judiciously distributed over the several divisions of the study. Any of our teachers who have a desire to see their schools equipped with an efficient physical laboratory will derive much assistance from such a work as this.

FABLES AND RHYMES FOR BEGINNERS, by John G. and Thomas E. Thompson, and published by Messrs. Ginn & Co., Boston. This is a primer, of which fable and simple rhyme form the subject matter. These are so arranged that, in order to read them, the child needs to be able to recognise but two hundred different words. The child learning to read will find these rhymes and fables much more interesting than the disjointed sentences usually found in first readers.

Among the exchanges we welcome to our table, are : *The Kindergarten News*, Springfield, Mass., which continues to give all the latest news of the kindergarten world ; the *University Extension World*, published by the University of Chicago, which has for its object the extending and popularising of Higher Education ; the *Canada Educational Monthly*, Toronto, Ont. The *Teachers' Institute*, and the *School Journal*, both published by Messrs. E. S. Kellogg & Co., New York and Chicago, are always welcome. The *Scientific American*, published by Messrs. Munn & Co., New York, contains much information in the region of science and manufactures, that might be found valuable and interesting to children. The *Cyclopedic Review of Current History*, published by Garretson, Cox & Co., Buffalo, N. Y., for the second quarter of 1894, has been received. Among the many interesting subjects discussed, are : " President Carnot," " The U. S. Tariff Question," " The Pullman Boycott," " Coxeyism," and " The Intercolonial Conference (held at Ottawa last June)." The October number of the *Atlantic Monthly* is a goodly one. In it " Philip and his wife," by Margaret Delane, is brought to a vigorous end. " The Retrospect of an Octogenarian," by the Rev. Dr. George E. Ellis, will be listened to with earnest attention by all. In it he gives some reminiscences of his intercourse with Dr. Charles Lowell. The Hon. Henry L. Dawes, in his " Recollections of Stanton under Johnson," gives an inside view of a memorable period of government life at Washington. Other articles are " The Railway War," by Henry J. Fletcher ; " A Playwright's Novitiate," by Miriam Coles Harris ; and " The Philosophy of Sterne," by Henry Childs Merwin. The *Atlantic Monthly* is published by Messrs. Houghton, Mifflin & Company, Boston. The *Monist*, a quarterly magazine of philosophy, religion, science and sociology, edited by Dr. Paul Carus and published by the Open Court Publishing Company, Chicago, for