

wings." "He presses down his strong feet." The first paragraph gives the point of view. To what is our attention drawn? In the description of the eagle in "The eagle is seen perched, etc.," what qualities of the bird are shown us? "His glistening *but* pitiless eye." Why not "glistening *and* pitiless?"

Try reading one paragraph, putting all the verbs into the past tense, and then decide why Audubon uses the present tense throughout.

Note how the suspense increases as we read on. What is the most exciting point? Study carefully the paragraphs beginning, "The snow-white bird is now in sight" and "As the swan is about to pass."

Pick out the comparisons, e. g. "Trumpet-like sound," "like a falling star."

Write a little description of the eagle and of the swan. Put into other words, "to sojourn for a season," "beneath his attention," "his power and courage were sufficient for the deed."

A CANADIAN BOAT SONG: by Thomas Moore. N. B. Reader III., p. 30. N. S. Reader III., p. 109.

Thomas Moore (1779-1852), wrote this poem after his return from a visit to Canada in 1804. Moore was born in Dublin, and his best known works are the songs in "Irish melodies," such as "The Last Rose of Summer," and "The Harp that once through Tara's Halls."

Who are singing the song? Are they going up, or down, the river? How do you know, or what makes you think so? "Faintly as tolls the evening chime." Where are the bells? What does "as" mean here? Has it the same meaning as in "soon as the woods on shore look dim?" Why "*parting* hymn," "*trembling* moon?" Tennyson says "the morning star *shook* in the steadfast blue" and another poet speaks of "the *tremulous* morning star." Did a star or the moon ever have a trembling look to you? Will the moon be trembling when they float over "Utawa's tide?" At what time of day is the wind likely to blow off shore?

Study the metre. Are the first, third and fifth lines in each verse all the same length? The second, fourth and sixth? The book puts the stress on the second syllable in Utawa. Try reading the line with the stress as in Ottawa. Which reading sounds best? Compare the sound of the first lines in the other two verses. Are the words "evening," "heavens" and "favoring" pronounced with two syllables or three? "We'll rest our *weary* oar." Who were weary? Compare "I had a *sleepless* night," "a *happy* day," a *lonely* hour."

BIBLE READINGS FOR OPENING EXERCISES.

1. Leviticus 19:9-18.
2. St. Matthew 5:33-48.
3. Job 28:12-28.
4. St. Matthew 10:32-42.
5. Psalm 20.
6. Isaiah 32:1-8, 16-20.
7. Ephesians 4:25-32.
8. Isaiah 62:6-12.
9. St. Matthew 13:18-23.
10. 1 Timothy 6:6-12, 17-19.]
11. Psalm 25:7-14.
12. St. Matthew 18:21-35.
13. Proverbs 6:6-19.
14. St. Matthew 12:46-50.
15. Proverbs 15:1-10, 16-20.
16. Hebrews 11:1-16.
17. Hebrews 11:17-40.
18. Isaiah 40:28-31.
19. Romans 13:1-10.
20. Lamentations 3:22-27.
21. 1 Corinthians 3:11-17.

THE CURRENT HISTORY CLASS.

1. With what nations is Italy now at war? What is the avowed object of the Italians in making war upon Austria? What is the greatest victory the Germans have had since the fall of Antwerp? What is the greatest naval victory, so far, of the war?

2. "To the youngest among the sister nations of the Empire belongs the glory of the first complete triumph of our arms in the war," *The Times*, July 16. What sister nation is meant? When did it become part of the Empire? How is it governed? What is the triumph, and on what date was it completed? To what general is it due?

3. What honours have been conferred upon the Canadian premier during his visit to England and France?

4. Mr. Balfour says: "There are seven, and only seven functions which a fleet may perform: It may drive the enemy's commerce off the sea. It may protect its own commerce. It may render the enemy's fleet impotent. It may make the transfer of enemy troops across the sea impossible, whether for attack or defence. It may transport its own troops where it will. It may secure their supplies, and (in fitting circumstances) it may assist their operations. All these functions have so far been successfully performed by the British fleet." Amplify this statement with reference to each function.

5. What and where are Riga, the Vosges, Strasbourg, the Dardanelles, Kovno?