

Marie"; they apply very generally to all classes and conditions of our local magazine and book literature. Of late years there has been a notable awakening among our writers, and their pens have become busy in depicting the many pictures of life and character, past and present, which are everywhere before our eyes. The charming story by Miss Macdonell reveals her deep insight into the manners of the old régime. The publishers have put the Canadian public under great obligations for their enterprise in promoting the interests of our indigenous literature.

A Manual of Comparative Dental Anatomy for Dental Students. Prepared by request of the National Association of Dental Faculties, and adopted as a text-book for colleges, August 27, 1898. By ALTON H. THOMPSON, D.D.S., Topeka, Kansas, Professor of Dental Anatomy, Human and Comparative, in the Kansas City Dental College, Kansas City, Mo. Philadelphia: The S. S. White Manufacturing Co., 1899, pp. 176.

The literature of dentistry *per se* is every year becoming more distinct and scientific. There has been a lack in respect to comparative dental anatomy, which this little work of Thompson's now fitly fills. The comparison of the human teeth, with those of lower animals is an interesting study, now made compulsory in the curriculum of the colleges, and the author has made a reputation as a teacher in this specialty. A list of questions is added to each chapter as an aid in class quiz. The most of the specimens illustrated were furnished by Mr. C. H. Ward, of Ward's Natural History Establishment, Rochester, N.Y. The contents include chapters on general zoology and comparative anatomy, the teeth in general—the teeth of invertebrates, vertebrates, fishes, reptiles, mammals, the higher apes, and man. We anticipate a large sale in Canada for this work.

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