

at home and abroad, thanks to the genius of its founder, waxed so great that former readers and students cannot be induced to transfer their affections to the same organ known for the last four years under its new name THE REVIEW. The OWL and REVIEW owe very much indeed to the able editors who succeeded to the office of Fr. Griffin; nevertheless, as most of them were disciples, who with the mantle, inherited the spirit and the aims of their master, the chief part of the credit for this really valuable enterprise must go to the original promoter.

The students of chemistry will read Dr. Griffin's able study, *Atoms and Ions*, with profit and interest. The development of the science of chemistry is briefly but comprehensively traced from its chaotic state as a "mingled mass of fact and fancy," one hundred years ago up to the present advanced stage. We are introduced in turn to the principal explorers in this till now little known country. Atoms, their laws and their uses, become as familiar to us as everyday merchandise. The study of Ions is added to that of atoms and molecules, while it advances everyday with the researches made in the field of electricity.

Another noteworthy paper is from the pen of Rev. Lucian Johnston; it is entitled "The Romance of the Langue, D'Oc." The author introduces the reader to a very interesting epoch of mediæval history, and points out the chief facts and events which accompanied the brief, but most brilliant, existence of the language in which the troubadours sang. In his lecture on the ancient Christian monument of Hsi-An-Fu, Dr. Charles F. Aiken gives much information, historical and archæological, concerning both the native religion of China and the appearance of Nestorianism, Mahometanism and the Catholic Church among the almond-eyed Celestials. The Book Reviews are very numerous and exhaustive.

Notable features of the April *Carmelite Review* are a number of poetic effusions, among which we find "A Soul's Awakening" by Caroline D. Swan. To travelers and pilgrims "Notes on a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land," by the Very Rev. A. M. Blakely, C.P., Vicar-General of Nicopolis, Bulgaria, will be of interest.