

improvement on those of former text-books, while the practical examples which follow the various theorems make the text-book a practical one.

THE BEGINNER'S GREEK COMPOSITION, by Messrs. Collar and Daniell, and published by the Messrs. Ginn & Co., Boston, Mass. This text-book, with its examples mainly based on the text of Xenophon's *Anabasis*, is one of the best little works on the subject we have seen. The *Natural Method* applied to the study of Greek Composition would be a better title for the book, and the character of the work involved in such a title is the highest recommendation to be bestowed upon it. The classical master is sure to take to it, as a necessity long felt in the school. The discovery of Bryce is further developed by the editors to the benefit of our classical schools, and they deserve the praises of our teachers.

THE FOOD OF PLANTS, by A. P. Larue, M.A., B.Sc., Fellow of King's College, Cambridge, and published by the Messrs. Macmillan, London, England. A text-book of sixty pages is something unusual, and yet, as an introduction to agricultural chemistry for beginners, this is all that the best of our farmer's boys would need to learn in school. Written by a practical scientist, who feels that science can be taught only in the laboratory or the field, the book bears its own recommendations in every page.

UN MARIAGE d'AMOUR, by Ludovic Halévy, edited by Professor Solial, A.M., of Chicago, and published by Messrs. Maynard, Merrill & Co., New York. The editor of this work is a gentleman well fitted for the task of an editor. His book is one which the student of the French language will highly appreciate. To find anything more concise than his notes on the prepositions *à*, *de* and *pour* would be difficult. The editor may be assured that his "little help" will prove useful and profitable to all lovers of the language of "la belle France."

FIRST YEAR AT SCHOOL, by S. B. Sinclair, B.A., of the Normal School, Ottawa, and published by Messrs. Warwick & Sons, Toronto. There are hints in this book which our elementary teachers would highly prize. Mr. Sinclair is a practical educationist, and there is nothing advocated in his book which has not been "tried in the fire" of an everyday experience in school. It would be an excellent *vade mecum* for our teachers to have, especially those who have not had the advantage of a Normal School training.

MODERN PURE GEOMETRY, by R. Lachlan, Esq., M.A., Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, and published by the Messrs. Macmillan & Co., London, England. There is not much demand for a text-book of this character in the ordinary B.A. course of this country, where Euclid and Galbraith and Haughton is as far as the graduate goes. The student for honors, however, would find this book an excellent incentive toward the study of pure mathematics. In this work are to be found in the concisest form of reasoning all that a student need