

*Some observations about the use of moods and tenses in coordinate propositions.*

Two moods are used in coordinate propositions, they are the indicative and the imperative.

### INDICATIVE MOOD.

#### Present tense.

*The sun gives light.*

This *present* which is called *indefinite* is used to express an action *constant, regular*, a thing which is at all times equally true or false.

Ex. : The sun gives light.

*Le soleil donne la lumière.*

He seems hardly to know that six and six make twelve.

*Il semble à peine savoir que six et six font douze.*

N. B. — This tense is sometimes employed instead of the future with an adverb or a noun expressing futurity.

Ex. : They come here to-night.

*Ils viennent ici ce soir.*

My sister arrives next week.

*Ma sœur arrive la semaine prochaine.*

*They are now playing.*

This *present*, which is called *compound, progressive*, or *definite*, expresses an action actually going on, and not extending beyond the present time.