The Practical Teacher for 1884-85, edited by Francis W. Parker, forms a very interesting and valuable manual of teaching, containing as it does practical articles upon the Common Branches, Psychology and Pedagogy from the pen of Col. Parker. (E. L. Kellogg & Co.)

The Temperance Teachings of Science adapted to the use of Teachers and Pupils. By Prof. A. B. Palmer, University of Michigan. This is a very important addition to the literature upon the temperance question. It is well arranged, well written and forms an attractive volume, but the children will look in vain for the pictorial illustration found in similar books. D. C. Heath & Co., Boston.

Murray's Essential Lessons in English Composition, Analysis and Grammar. By J. E. Murray, 12mo, Cloth, pp. 226. Philadelphia: John F. Potter & Co. Price 75 cts. Prof. Murray's manner of teaching this important branch of learning, possesses enough novelty and originality to demand the attention of all educators. Composition, Analysis, and Grammar are taught together. This is now regarded by all successful teachers as the logical method of treating our own language. A marked feature in this book, to beginners, is that the pupil is taught to "learn to do by doing." But one difficulty is introduced at a time, and exhaustive exercises given. The system of diagram appears to be perfect; a glance is sufficient to show the construction, analogy and relation of the most complex sentence. The same house will soon publish ADVANCED LESSONS IN ENGLISH COMPOSITION, ANALYSIS AND GRAMMAR. By J. E. Murray. This is a companion volume to Murray's "Essential Lessons" and completes his language series in two books.

NOTICES FROM THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE.

The Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased, by Order-in-Council dated—15th Oct., 1885, to appoint a Commission to prepare a provincial educational exhibit for the London Exhibition.

15th Oct., 1885, to appoint members of Board of Examiners (Roman Catholic Section) for Montreal, Quebec, Rimouski, Charlevoix and

Magdalen Islands.

15th Oct., 1885, to change the limits of the municipalities of St. Ignace and Notre Dame des Anges de Stanbridge, Co. Miss squoi, (O. G., p. 1946.)

21st Oct., 1885, to appoint School Commissioner for Paspebiac and trustees for New Carlisle, Co. Bonaventure, (See O. G., p. 1889.)

15th Oct., 1885, to appoint School Commissioner for St. Lambert, Levis; St. Edmond, Rimouski; St. David, Yamaska (O. G., p. 1889.)

15th Oct., 1985, to appoint three Roman Catholic Commissioners for City of Quebec, and two Commissioners for Sault-au-Mouton, Saguenay.

16th Oct., 1885, to appoint three trustees for municipality of Beauport, Co. Quebec, (O. G., p. 1890.)

15th Oct., 1885, to erect municipality of Sept Isles, Co. Saguenay, (O. G., p. 1898.)

3rd Nov., 1885, to appoint a Commissioner for Sault-au-Recollect, Hochelaga; a Commissioner for Pointe-aux-Esquimaux, Saguenay; five Commissioners for Sept Isles, Saguenay; one Commissioner for