Valuesi No. 6. COMPOSITION. 8 2. In the following passage, 18 I. Transpose point out "Suddenly upon the greensward All alone stood Hiawatha, (i.) The dipthongs. Panting with his wild exertion, (ii.) The silent letters. Palpitating with the struggle; And before him, breathless, lifeless, "Southward with fleet of ice Lay the youth with hair dishevelled, Sailed the corsair, Death; Plumage torn, and garments tattered, Wild and fast blew the blast, Dead he lay there in the sunset." And the east wind was his breath." –Longfellow. -Longfellow. 20 2. Change the construction of the following sentences:— 3. Distinguish 'lie' from 4 'lay,' 'doe' from 'dough,' 'sighs' "Each of the layers or seams of coal from 'size,' 'soar' from 'sower.' indicates a distinct period of vegetable " We cannot read well unless we prac-4. Each of the following 4 tice reading." combinations of letters repre-" I shall come that I may see you." "A horrible sight soon disclosed itself." sents two words. State in each case what the meaning 3. Form a sentence contain-10 is when the diphthong is proing two dependent proponounced like ou in out, and sitions, using the word school when it is pronounced like o for the subject of the principal in no. Bow. Lower. Row. Sow. 24 4. Write a letter to a friend giving him an account of what 5. Accent:—Ally, arithmetic, character, horizon, lunatic, you have been doing during bitumen, harass, sedentary. the last six months.

LITERARY AND BOOK NOTES.

CURIOUS AND COSTLY BOOKS

"Our religion itself is founded in books," says Bartholin, "and without them God is silent, justice dormant, physic at a stand, philosophy lame, letters dumb, and all things involved in Cimmerian darkness." A Saxon King once gave away an estate of 800 acres for a single volume entitled "Cosmography; or the History of the World,"

such were the scarcity and value of books in those times. A book was often entailed with as much solemnity as the most valuable estate. In the year 1174, one Walter Prior purchased of the Monks of Winchester, "Bede's Homilies and St Austen's Psalter," for twelve measures of barley and a pall on which was embroidered in silver the history of Birinas converting a Saxon King.