

ENTRANCE LITERATURE.

The two poems to be committed to memory for the approaching examination have not been wisely selected. The one entitled "I'll find a way or make it," is objectionable on moral grounds. Should children be taught that fame, learning and riches, are the only inducements to effort? There is not the slightest hint of higher motives. The Quaker's advice to his son: "Make money honestly if you can; but make money," is on fully as high a moral plane as this poem. Teachers who have been trying to make their pupils sound the final "g" in the present participle will not be much aided by the authorities who sanction,—

"I've heard bells *chiming* full many a *clime in*," and

"I've heard bells *tolling* old Adrian's *mole in*,"

"I'LL FIND A WAY OR MAKE IT." P. 22.

1. *Noble*—heroic.

"Rome's imperial day." See note, p. 337, the time when Rome was ruled by emperors.

Croaker—a grumbler.

Castle—(kă's-sl) a fortress.

2. *Aspiration*—an ardent desire to attain.

Fame—renown.

Her—stands for fame's.

"Content to gaze and sigh," qualifies *he*.

Is firmness the chief qualification for attaining fame?

3. Discuss the propriety of using *climb* to denote the process of acquiring knowledge.

Who—he who; (he) subject of may'slake.

Discuss the relation of *will* to success in learning.

4. *Boon*—a request, a favour granted, a free gift.

"With wishing and with fretting

The *boon* can not be *bought*."

Are the words in italics used consistently?

"To all the prize is open."

Is it true, that an opportunity to become rich is open to all?

Is courage the main qualification for acquiring riches?

CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE.

THE *Overland Monthly* for March appears in good time, well filled with good reading.

THE monthly issues of the *School Newspaper* always contain things worth reading.

CASSELL & Co. will shortly issue a "Life of the Late Emperor of Germany," by Archibald Forbes.

MR. W. H. FRASER'S edition of the *Philosophie Sous les Toits* is to be republished this month in Boston by Messrs. D. C. Heath & Co.

Science is at present publishing detailed reports from physicians in various towns and cities throughout Canada and the United States on Scarlet Fever. The weekly numbers are made up largely of statistics, etc., in regard to public health, methods of preventing disease, etc., etc.

WITH the current number the *Forum* begins its fifth volume under very prosperous conditions, its circulation having doubled within the year. The *Forum* aims "to be

the vehicle for the most important utterances on all live topics of large concern." In the present issue much attention is given to political matters, while the Rev. C. H. Parkhurst contributes an exceedingly readable article on "What Should the Public School Teach," and Thomas Hardy writes on Novels, Prof. Blackie on the Scotch, and Henry R. Elliot on Newspapers.

The current *Popular Science Monthly* contains as usual many interesting papers on subjects connected with various branches of science. The most interesting paper to the scientific, and unscientific alike, is perhaps that by Francis Speir, Jr., on "The Antechamber of Consciousness." "The Indians of British Columbia," "Curious Facts of Inheritance," "Glimpses at Darwin's Working Life," such are the titles of other articles. The Hon. D. A. Wells, in another valuable essay on "Economic Disturbances," treats of the displacement of hand labour by machinery, etc.