

book may be correctly described as a higher arithmetic, and one of the very best at that. Ability and care are evident in the treatment of the work, which is at once scientific, thorough, and adapted to a student's needs. An appendix on Scales, Progressions, etc., appears, and one of the things about the book that will please mathematical teachers and examiners most is the useful collection of twelve hundred questions at the end of the book. We cordially commend this book to our mathematical friends.

The Newspaper Reader's Index of References. Compiled and published by Henry Axon. (Bolton: Bolton Express.) 3s. 6d. How often one sees an article in a magazine or a chapter in a book likely to be useful, only to have a dim recollection a few months or years after, that there is "something somewhere" which would be a great assistance *re* the subject on hand, if one could only remember what and where it is. Here is a book providing easy and ample means of indexing such matters. It is likely to be of considerable service, especially to those who read and write much or speak in public, or carry on professional work. Alphabetically headed, ruled conveniently, and ingeniously arranged, it is the book for the purpose.

Canada. (Montreal: E. B. Biggar.) \$3. The publisher announces this as a reference book for public institutions and public men. It contains over 1,000 pages and treats of the history, geography, government, resources, commerce, manufactures, industries, and general statistics of our country. Some seventy-five illustrations and twelve maps are given, and the reader cannot fail to be struck with the general correctness and description and detail found in this work, which is probably the most comprehensive book of reference on the subject, and as such, ought to be placed in all public libraries, as well as in the libraries of schools.

A Short Geography; with the Commercial Highways of the World. By J. M. D. Meiklejohn, M.A., F.R.G.S., Professor of Education in the University of St. Andrews. (St. Andrews: A. M. Holden. London: Simpkin, Marshall & Co.) 1s. Like Prof. Meiklejohn's other works, this excellent short

geography is all that could be desired in arrangement and style. It is as clear and concise as possible, full of well-selected matter, and admirably adapted for the use of schools anywhere in the British Empire. The lessons on the commercial Highways of the World are valuable (by the way, the Canadian Pacific Railway has been omitted from these); a number of maps and diagrams are inserted.

The Treasury of Sacred Song. F. T. Palgrave. (Oxford: At the Clarendon Press. London: Henry Frowde.) 10s. 6d. Francis T. Palgrave, Professor of Poetry in the University of Oxford, has added another beautiful book to those for which we have already to thank him. The Treasury of Sacred Song is a beautiful book, containing selections representative of the entire range of English sacred poetry, to which are added brief biographical and explanatory notes. The selections number above four hundred—there is not one we would willingly see withdrawn. This delightful collection will be at once a standard volume, a favourite gift book, and an authoritative aid to the compilers of church hymn books and others. The printing and paper are choice, and the binding tasteful. Everything about the book is as nearly perfect as can be.

The Sixpenny Atlas: (Edinburgh and London: W. & A. K. Johnston.) This wonderfully cheap atlas contains fifty-three maps. The name of the publishers is sufficient guarantee for it.

Notable Churches of the City of London. Church Bells Office. Price 32 cents. The sketches of the London Churches, here collected and published, are exceedingly interesting, both historically and otherwise. So much of English thought and history is connected with these sacred edifices, that we can easily imagine that this book would be a pleasant companion. There are twenty-five full-page illustrations.

MacMillan's English Classics.

The Lay of the Last Minstrel. Edited by Professor Stuart, of the Presidency College, Madras.

(2) *Milton's Comus.* Edited by Professor Bell, of the Government College, Lahore.