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THE REVIEW is an educational paper in the widest sense. The earnest teacher always finds much in its columns helpful and inspiring, and there is not a parent that would not be benefitted by its monthly visits. Those who look over its pages this month will see how much there is to interest and instruct parents as well as teachers.

A SUBSCRIBER in the October REVIEW made the following inquiry: On opening the swollen portion of some stems of the Golden Rod, or branch of willow, a grub will be found comfortably established in winter quarters. Is there any symbiotic relation here? or does the grub get its house and food supply without making any return to the plant?

It might be expected that the insect would make some return to the plant by supplying it with nitrogen, but an excellent authority assures the REVIEW that there is no evidence at all of any benefit to the plant. The advantage is all on the side of the insect. It is therefore not a case of symbiosis.

WE hope our subscribers will appreciate the Christmas supplement that goes with this number. It is made up of a few excellent selections of music from Selby &