

le lui donne. In the imperative affirmative, *Donnez-le-moi*, but *Menez-y-moi*.

13. Lagare Hoche p. 36, ll 16-27.

a. *Par*, why not *de*? *Par* governs the real agent, *de* the means employed by the agent, also *par* governs the agent if the verb expresses real action, *de* if the verb expresses sentiment.

b. *d'Italie*, why not *de l'Italie*?

The article is not used when the name of the country forms with the prep. a simple adjectival description of the preceding noun.

c. Explain the pronunciation of *cerf*, *chef*, *clef*, *nerf*, *neuf*; trans. nine oxen, new hats, and indicate the pronunciation.

Cerf, f mute, *chef*, f sounded, but

mute in *chef-d'œuvre* (pron. shé-deu-vre), *clef*, f mute, *nerf*, f sounded but mute before a consonant and in the plural, *neuf*, nine, f sounded when alone or at the end of a phrase; f is sounded like v before a vowel, but in *neuf et demi*, *neuf en tout*, *neuf à manger* it retains the sound of f. Neuf boeufs (pron. neu-beu), des chapeaux neufs (dé-chapau neuf).

d. *Et*, when is the *t* in this word sounded?

The *t* of the French *et* is invariably mute; in the Latin *et cetera* *t* is sounded (pron. èt-sé-té-ra).

e. *Puis*, give a homonym of this word and translate the nom.

Puis, can, *puits*, well, pit.

MATHEMATICS.

Solutions to Algebra Paper in last number.

1. If $n > a + b$, $\therefore \frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{a+b}$

and $\frac{1}{a+b} < \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}$

if $\frac{1}{a+b} < \frac{a+b}{ab}$

if $ab < a^2 + 2ab + b^2$

$\therefore \frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}$;

but if $n < a + b$

$\therefore \frac{1}{n} > \frac{1}{a+b}$

but $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}$ is also $> \frac{1}{a+b}$

$\therefore$ it cannot be inferred that

$\frac{1}{n} > \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}$

2.

5	+ 0	+ 0	- 3	+ 0	+ 1
2	10	20	10	- 46	- 122
- 3	- 15	- 30	- 15	+ 69	+ 189
5	+ 10	+ 5	- 23	- 61	- 52

The remainder is $\therefore -61x + 70$, and the continuation of the quotient in descending powers of x is $-61x^{-1} - 52x^{-2}$ &c.

3. If we substitute $x - 1$ for x^2 in $(x^2 - 1)(x^2 - 2) + (x^2 - x + 1)^2 + (x^2 + x + 1)^2$ we have $(x - 2)(x - 3) + 0 + (2x)^2$

which reduces to $5x^2 - 5x + 6$

again substituting $x - 1$ for x^2

we have $5x - 5 - 5x + 6$ or 1 as the remainder after dividing by $x^2 - x + 1$.

If we put $x^2 = -x - 1$ we shall get the same result; $\therefore$ we have the same remainder whether we divide by $x^2 - x + 1$ or $x^2 + x + 1$.

4. These expressions reduce to

$(x - y)(y - 3)(x + 2y + 3)$

$(x - y)(y + 1)(x + 3y + 2)$

$\therefore x - y$ is their G. C. M.

If $y = 1$, these become

$-2(x - 1)(x + 5)$

$2(x - 1)(x + 5)$

either of which may be taken as the G. C. M.

5. When $n = 0$, the expressions reduce to

$(y - x)(x + y - a - b)$

$(a - b)(x + y - a - b)$