

etc., are of permanent value, and we know they will be appreciated by his fellow-teachers. The editor's part is well done.

A REALLY thorough practical work on *Book-keeping*, from the press of Silver, Burdett & Co. (Boston and New York), \$2.00, has recently appeared. It contains all that is essential, and will be found valuable as a book of reference by accountants and business men, as well as a satisfactory and well-arranged text-book. Single and double entry forms are both given, and the manner of changing from one to another carefully shown. There is a key published for the use of teachers in which all the sets given are fully worked out.

WE have received three excellent books from the American Book Co. *Apgar's Trees of the Northern United States*. *Virgil's Æneid*—Six Books. \$1.00. President Harper and Prof. Miller of the University of Chicago. \$1.25. *Milne's High School Algebra*. \$1.00. This edition of the Æneid leaves little to be desired. Text, notes, appendices, indices, illustrations, in fact everything that a student or teacher needs from a book is here given. Prof. Milne's work on Algebra is a good text-book on the inductive plan, with numerous examples.

*Macmillan's Geographical Series: Geography of the British Colonies*. George M. Dawson and Alexander Sutherland. (Macmillan's.) 3s. Melbourne and Montreal have given us a good geography, a simple, unpretentious, useful book, which is a model of judicious selection and arrangement. The statistics are recent, the facts not too numerous and the descriptions short and much to the point. Remarks on Products, Industries,

Commerce, etc., are excellent. We observe little or nothing about education and social condition, but we know no better book of its kind.

*English Men of Letters: Carlyle*. By Prof. Nichol of the University of Glasgow. (London and New York: Macmillan & Co.) 2s. 6d. To write a Life of Carlyle is no easy task. No man could do it without displeasing many inhabitants of the world of books, and Prof. Nichol's work, which is well worthy of its place in this excellent series, while it has been well received on the whole, has not escaped adverse criticism. Still, we think he is not far from the *via media*, though, possibly, he is not entirely sympathetic. The chapters on Carlyle's literary position and work are perhaps the best. But the work is good throughout.

*On Service at Home and Abroad*. By Major J Percy Groves. (London, Paris and New York: Raphael Tuck & Sons.) This is a handsome book. It contains brief narratives of the Peninsular War, Crimean War and Indian Mutiny, also chapters on the Royal Marines, Royal Engineers, the 5th Dragoon Guards, the 17th, the 26th (Cameronians), and other famous regiments, enlivened by numerous anecdotes. But the pictures equal or surpass the narratives in interest. They are by Messrs. Harry and Arthur Payne, and are simply magnificent. Here we find representations of scenes now famous in history, pictures of very many crack corps, and illustrations of the incidents of a soldier's life. The coloured plates are numerous. The book is dedicated to the Duke of Cambridge, and is in every way a work of art.