

A SPECIMEN

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The following abridgments are used, viz.:—

n., a noun; v.n., verb neuter; v. a. tr., verb active transitive; a. int., verb active intransitive; v. m., a verb in the middle voice; v. p., a verb in the passive voice; adj., adjective.

The Consonants are pronounced as in English, g being

always hard.

There are three sounds of the letter a, viz., a, as in father; as in fate; and ă, as in fat. There are two sounds of the letter e, viz., e, as in mete; and ĕ, as in met. There is but one sound of the letter i. It is always short, as in fit, sit; the long sound of i, as in fine, being represented (as in German and Greek) by ei. U has two sounds; one, u, as in bugle; the other, ŭ, as in tub. U is always short at the commencement of a word. It is aimed to give the exact pronunciation of the words in the spelling. The letters placed after a noun, usually k, or l, or ul, denote that the addition of these letters forms the