

PREFACE.

THE following Lessons, which appeared originally in the pages of the POPULAR EDUCATOR, have received such high encomiums from those who, by their own unaided exertions, have learned from them to read and write the French Language, and with the help, perhaps, of the "Sixpenny Lessons in French," to speak it, that the Publishers have been encouraged, in issuing a new edition, to have a complete revision made of the work. This service has been performed by Professor De LOLME, who has gone carefully through the book, and made numerous improvements, and, where needed, corrections therein.

The *First Part* consists of a series of Lessons, proceeding gradually from the most simple to those which are more difficult, and leading the student gradually and insensibly to a knowledge of the structure and idioms of the language. This is greatly aided by easy Exercises, consisting of idiomatic French phrases to be turned into English, and *vice versâ*, the one set forming a kind of key to the other. To each set of exercises are prefixed rules and examples, and a vocabulary of words to be used in the exercises.

The *Second Part* contains a Systematic Grammar of the French tongue, including its Etymology and