

THE EDUCATIONAL REVIEW.

The death of Sister Mary Raphael, of Halifax, took place the last of May. She was one of the most accomplished teachers, and was for many years head of the primary department of girls in the St. Patrick's School, and more recently in St. Joseph's. She possessed superior intellectual gifts and a personality that made her very dear to children.

RECENT BOOKS.

In Marion Talbot's *Education of Women* (cloth, pages 255, price \$1.37 post paid) there is presented an adequate discussion of the training of girls and women for the duties of life. While the activities of women in the past have been chiefly concerned with providing food and clothing and looking after the comfort and daily well-being of children, the author contends that such duties now require not simply good physical health and strong sex impulse but a large capacity for administration and the ability and knowledge to enter into the industrial and business life of the household. After giving brief glimpses of the life and occupation of girls of the older time she proceeds in a series of chapters to sketch the training for life of girls in the schools and colleges at the present time.

Two of these "glimpses" are worth reproducing here: In 1771 Anna Green Winslow, a ten year old girl, was sent by her guardians from her home in Nova Scotia to her aunt in Boston to be "finished." For the benefit of her far-away family the little girl was required to keep a journal. In this she entered with charming unconsciousness the events and occupations of her daily life.

"I have spun [she writes, Feb. 22, 1772] 30 knots of linning yarn, and (partly) new-footed a pair of stockings for Lucinda, read a part of the *pilgrims progress*, coppied part of my text journal, play'd some, tuck'd a great deal (aunt Deming says it is very true) laugh'd enough, and I tell aunt it is all human nature, if not human reason."

She was an accomplished as well as a "strangely industrious little piece of femininity." She learned "dancing, or danceing, I should say," and attended a writing-school to acquire that most indispensable and most appreciated of eighteenth century accomplishments—fine penmanship.

Nearly one hundred and forty years later, the author continues, a little girl's diary might give this record:

"She missed breakfast because she had to hurry to get the school automobile, which will not wait. The boys and girls in her grade gave a scene showing the Siege of Troy to the whole school. The children wrote it and made their costumes. Next they are going to study how people lived in Rome. It was "Mothers' day" in the cooking-class and they all came to luncheon after the play, except her mother, who had to read a paper at the Woman's Club. She helped prepare the grapes and oranges for the fruit salad. She learned a new step in the physical culture class. After school a Toboggan Club was formed and she was made treasurer. The cook left, so her father took the family to his club to dinner and then they all stayed to the Christmas revels."

(The Chicago University Press, Chicago.)

Trenholme's *Outline of English History* (cloth, 122 pages, price 50 cents) aims to provide a companion and guide for students studying English history on the basis of Professor E. P. Cheyney's *History of England*. With this end in view the text-book has been organized under ninety special topics, and each topic has been briefly but carefully outlined.

The author has also provided a select list of reference books in English history and has compiled a very useful pronouncing index of English proper names. (Ginn and Co., Boston.)

Lyde's *Man in Many Lands* (cloth, pages 184, price 2s. 6d.) is an attractive volume, containing twenty-four full-page illustrations in colours. It is designed to encourage interest in the study of geography, and will be found a most useful text-book for students. (Adam & Chas. Black, London.)

LATE MAGAZINES.

In the June *Century* is the first of a series of three papers by George Kennan, reviewing the events that have taken place since the "Bloody Sunday" of January, 1905. This number also contains the second part of Albert Hickman's story *Compensated*.

The Living Age's new serial, "The Story of Hauksgarth Farm," is quite different from "As It Happened," which immediately preceded it, and as a simple and strong story of life it is a great deal better.

Miss L. M. Montgomery, author of "Anne of Green Gables," contributes a delightful sketch on "The Garden of Old Delights" in the *Canadian Magazine* for June.

OFFICIAL NOTICES.

Province of New Brunswick.

The following regulation was adopted by the Board of Education at its meeting of June 2:

"In accordance with the provisions of Section 123 (e) School Manual, and beginning with the ensuing session of the Summer School of Science, subject to the approval of this Board of Education of the course of study prescribed by that school in School Gardening: Duly licensed teachers who shall have taken the prescribed course in any two consecutive years at the Summer School of Science for the Maritime Provinces, and who shall have obtained a certificate of competency thereat, shall be eligible to receive the grant provided for School Gardening."

The following regulation has been approved by the Board of Education:

Whenever a formal and well-grounded complaint shall have been made to the Board of Education by an Inspector, School Board, or not less than seven ratepayers of a school district, as to the incompetency, gross neglect of duty, breach of faith or contract, violation of the prescribed regulations, or conduct not becoming an instructor of the young, on the part of a teacher, the Board of Education,