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EXERCISES IN CHEMISTRY: By William McPherson, Professor of Chemistry, and William E. Henderson, Associate Professor of Chemistry in Ohio State University. Cloth. 69 pages. Illustrated. mailing price, 45 cents. Ginn & Company, Boston.

These exercises are systematically arranged to accompany the "Elementary Study of Chemistry" by the same authors. It is no longer necessary to emphasize the importance of laboratory work as a part of the course in elementary chemistry, since it is universally admitted that some laboratory experience is essential for a thorough comprehension of the subject. With this view the authors believe that two periods weekly of forty-five minutes each should be devoted to laboratory work in connection with three recitations a week in chemistry for one year.

RECENT MAGAZINES.

Magazine readers are looking forward with interest to the Fiftieth Anniversary number of the *Atlantic Monthly*, due this fall. Important leading articles on politics, literature, labor, education, art, and the topics of the day, written in every case by prominent men, appear in each issue. The *Atlantic* pictures to its readers the real force which make up American life, and both here and in Europe it is regarded as the best expression of the American character.

The fortieth anniversary of Confederation has given timeliness to several excellent articles of an historical nature which appeared in the July number of *The Canadian Magazine*. The first contribution is by Mr. John Lewis, entitled The Fathers of Confederation. Mr. J. E. B. McCready contributes an article revealing the changes in the methods and styles of journalism that have taken place within the last forty years; and Mr. John Maclean deals with Canada's Possibilities and Perils. The number contains also several illustrated articles on various subjects, as well as a good assortment of short stories, poetry and comment.

The Unrest in India is explained and its origin and significance pointed out by a native Indian writer, Ameer Ali, in an article which *The Living Age* for July 20 reprints from the *Nineteenth Century*. The July 6 number of *The Living Age* is a brilliant one. It opens with an article on the Hague Conference and the question of immunity for belligerent merchant shipping, by Captain Mahan, who takes issue sharply with the extreme peace advocates.

The *Chautauquan* contains the following educational articles in its July number: Education: A Life-long Development, by President G. Stanley Hall; Summer Schools and Sunday School, by Dr. Jesse L. Hurlbut, and others.

The *Delinicator* for August contains the continuation of the Serial Stories, Fraulein Schmidt and Mr. Anstruther, and The Chauffeur and Chaperon, an article on Nature as I See It, by John Burroughs, with many others interesting and useful to every member of the household.

A fly and a flea in a flue
 Were imprisoned, so what could they do?
 Said the fly: "Let us flee."
 Said the flea: "Let us fly."

So they flew through a flaw in the flue.

—Life (Melbourne, Australia).