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## Editorial Notes.

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Thanks to the friends who have sent us contributions for our "School-room Metbods" department. One or two we have been unable to use as yet because of the somewhat complicated diagrams. It is well to avoid these unless absolutely necessary. Rectilinear figures can usually be given without much difficulty. But please send on whatever you have that is likely to be helpful to others. We want to see this department of the paper greatly developed.

The London Free Press does well to complain bitterly of the action of the School Board in that city, in having had "a well sunk in much defiled soil, and the water of a very nasty kind given to the children of the Park St. School." This is most extraordinary in a city which has been at large expense in securing a supply of pure water. The well in question has been petitioned against and it may be hoped will be speedily abolished. Schoul children are inveterate water drinkers, and should have an abundance of the purest water that can be procured.

In a paper read before an English educational association, Mr. Isaac Pitman presented some propositions which are startling, if true. He said that a million pounds yearly are wasted by the present method of teaching reading in our elementary schools, and that this sum may be saved by the use of phonetic reading books. He argued, also, that a hundred million hours yearly are wasted in writing by those who speak the English language, which might be saved were shorthand in general use. These statements were sustained by elaborate calculations. The matter is certainly worth thinking about.

It is gratifying to note that the number of women entering the colleges of the Dominion is steadily increasing from year to year. In the United States the Association of Collegiate Alumnæ, composed of women who have graduated from the fourteen principal American colleges to which women are admitted, is doing much to further the cause of the higher educa-
in its list of 648 members are those of many women who have distinguished themselves for honest intellectual work, not a few of whom have a fame that extends throughout the country.

An English Reading Book has lately been published by Dr. Landmann, of Leipsic, for the use of young Germans learning the English language. It consists of a single number of the London Times, with notes and explanations of the text, sufficient to enable the learner to understand what he reads. The idea is, of course, that the student is in this way brought into contact with the actual, living language as it is in use to-day, not as it exists in the classic models of two or three centuries ago. The only question is, to what extent do the words and style of the Times itself represent the every-day English of business and social life? If the re-publication were confined to the editorials there might be room for doubt on this point, but as it includes news items, reports, advertisements, etc., and as everybody reads some part at least of such a paper as the Times, the probability is that the new book will answer its purpose admirably. The idea is excellent, at least, for the fruitful germs it contains.

Dr. E. Hitchcock, Jr., Acting Professor of Physical Culture at Cornell University, in his last annual report presents some interesting data which, it is claimed, establish two important points in reference to gymnasium work, viz., first, that it develops the physical powers in the direction of health, strength, and endurance; second, that it does not prevent but rather promotes brain development. The evidence presented seems to afford irrefutable evidence of the value of the required gymnastic work in the physical development of the student. In regard to the second point Dr. Hitchcock's report proves conclusively, it is claimed, the fallacy of the argument that students who devote their time to college sports necessarily neglect their studies and are "low stand men." Several tables of the standing of the crews, athletic teams, and ball nines are presented, and from these it is shown that since rowing was first attempted in the university the average standing of the Cornell oarsmen has been seventy on a scale of 100 ; that of the base-ball teams for the years ' 85 , ' 86 , and ' 87 is seventy-three, and of the athletic teams for the same years seventy-six.

The thoughtful address of Professor Watson at the recent Anniversary of Queen's, is both practical and scholarly. We shall, if possible, give it in full to our readers at an early day. The suggestion that a meeting should be held of the representatives of all the Canadian Universities, or at least of the Universities of Ontario, "for the purpose of enquiring whether our matriculation examinations might not be made more rational than they now are, and for the discussion of all questions affecting the interests of higher education," is an excellent one. We hope it may lead to some practical result.

Dr. B. A. Hinsdale, in Science, quotes Dr. Stanley Hall as saying, some years ago, that he had seen a file of one hundred and fifty small German boys a quarter of a mile away, just as they marched out of the school-house at noon; also that he had observed that the little girls at the Victoria school, Berlin, did not run a step at recess, or do anything that an equal number of ladies might not do. "But such things as these," adds Dr. Hinsdale, "it hardly need be said, cannot be found in the typical American school." We hope Dr. Hinsdale does not regret the fact. We are not quite sure whether it is intended to represent Dr. Hall as approving of the little girls who "did not run a step at recess, or do anything that an equal number of ladies might not do," but if that is a model training we hope our Ontario girls may long be spared it.

Inquiries are often made by teachers for books containing suitable selections for recitation on Friday afternoons and other occasions. We cannot do better than to call the attention of such to the advertisements of the "National School of Elocution and Oratory," Philadelphia, which appear from time to time in our columns. Among the Book Notices in this number will be found a list of recent publications by this wellknown establishment, which by their scope and variety are adapted to meet almost every want of the school-room, for the purposes indicated. The reputation of this well-known firm affords a guarantee that its selections will be in good taste, and free from anything trashy or otherwise objectionable. While a few of the pieces are specially adapted for children in the schools of the United States, and unsuitable for Canadian pupils, the great majority of them will be found equally suitable for the young of either nationality.

We have occasionally a complaint that some of the meetings of the Teachers' Institutes are not reported in the Journal. If any are not reported it is because no one has taken the trouble to send us an account of proceedings. As there are on an average about three of these meetings each week in different-often distant-parts of the Province, it is manifestly out of the question that we should send reporters. We shall always be
glad to publish such report as our space will admit of, if the Secretary, or some other friend, will be good enough to send us one. The report, as a rule, should not occupy more than a column of the Journal, and friends obliging us by sending them will do well to bear in mind that matters of business and routine, having only a local interest, may be omitted. What is usually most interesting and profitable is a synopsis of the salient points in any good paper, or address, or model lesson, that may be given. These are of general interest and may be helpful to all.

Through an oversight we neglected to note, at the proper time, the advent of The School Times, a monthly educational journal, whose publication was commenced in Winnipeg, in August, by the School Times Publishing Company. The School Times is devoted mainly to the interests of the profession in Manitoba, but gives also a portion of its space to educational matters in the North-west Territory. The two numbers before us are well filled with original and selected articles adapted to be interesting and useful to teachers. At first sight of the new journal we were disposed to think that some one was making a rash venture which experience might lead him to regret, but we observe from the "Salutatory" that the publishers have wisely foreseen that such a publication cannot hope to be financially self supporting in so small a constituency, and that a few friends of education throughout the province have provided amply for its continuance. We welcome our new fellowlaborer to the field, and wish it every success in its work.
"I wish you'd bring your fiercest batteries to bear on the Educational Department. Here we are, placed in savagedom, pestered with never-to-be-shamed nor-abashed beggars, with provisions nearly thrice Toronto prices, at the munificent saiary of $\$ 25$ per mensem! So afraid are the authorities that we should grow fat and kick, as did erstwhile Jesurun, that we are forbidden to trade with the Indiuns or any other persons, and we are not to raise more agricultural produce than we ourselves can consume. We have no companionship, we see the Inspector and the Indian agent once a year, postal accommodation defective to the nil point (nearly), ánd a poor house, seldom water-tight, to live in. I, for one, seldom touch meat (game) or fish more than once a week. How can we honestly live? And where can the clothing come from?"

We quote the above, by permission, from a private note to the editor of a contemporary. The letter is dated from a far-off station of the C. P. R., in the Northwest. The writer is evidently astray in supposing that the Ontario educational authorities have anything to do with the matter. He is, we infer, in the employ of the Dominion Government as a teacher of the Indians on a reserve. If so, he has certainly much to complain of, and the Government which thus treats its employees much to be ashamed of. Is it any wonder that the Indians

## Educational Thought.

GENIUS is an infinite capacity for work growing out of an infinite power of love. - Thring.
The first, and pretty nearly the last thing that the public school ought to do, will be to teach the boy or girl to read, speak, and write the English language intelligently. This will afford no end of mental discipline, and will, at the same time, put in a pupil's hand the key to every door that he may need to swing farther on.-Rev. Dr. C. H. Parkhurst.
Teachers should have a fund of general intelli-gence-not alone in matters of literature, art and science, but in the affairs of the day-the affairs of Europe as well as America. A little time given to the daily newspaper is an excellent investment. A little time devoted to current news in the school is well spent. Our work has so much routine about it that unless we are careful we are apt to shut ourselves in from the broader life about us.-Cen. tral School Journal.
TEACHING is the process by which one mind exercises, incites, and develops the mind of another. Some do it by their presence merely, some by their conversation-these are rare. Others make a special business of it. They excite the curiosity, they demand thinking by putting questions, to answer which the pupil studies. True teaching keeps ever the growth of the child in view. The greatest work of the world is teaching. It is 80 great that but few can do it. It is the most exhausting of all kinds of work. Is demands willpower, sympathy, insight, kindliness, sweetness and stimulation.-Exchange.

In all the earlier stages of education the chief business of the teacher is to arouse and direct the activity of the pupil. All mental development and growth in knowledge is conditioned upon this activity. The pupil must desire to know, he must observe and think for himself. No receptivity, however great, suffices. Indeed, receptivity is active. The mind must be on the alert, eager for truth, rejoicing in action. Eveh when the teacher instructs, pours into the mind facts and truths, it is only as the pupil lays hold upon these facts and assimilates them by thought that they are really communicated.-Gen. Thomas J. Morgan, in Edu. cation.

OUR public schools are organized and maintained to fit the child for the fulfilment of his duty as a citizen. But duty is founded on obligation, and obligation on justice. Now justice is the basis of morality, and, joined with truth, gives us all that is known as religion. Society depends for its existence on truth and justice. Education must therefore embrace both, if civilized society is to exist and civilized government to endure. But truth and justice have their origin in God, who is their causa efficiens. Hence society cannot exist without God, nor can society exist without truth and justice, in which morality has its being. God and morality are correlative terms. Education, then, must embrace a knowledge of God and a knowledge of His law, which teaches all that is known of truth and justice. - Bishop Gilmore.

All the great men that have lived have acquired greatness in the same way. 'They observed, they worked, they loved. Observation is work, and true work lives by love. Without observation there is no thought; without the material for thought there is no building. Whether it is pleasurable, or otherwise, poets', or schoolboys', observation is work, and true work is love moving, and the ideal, after all that foggy enthusiasm can do to mystify, or blowers of glittering bubbles can blow, is but the final expression of the highest thought produced by the greatest knowledge and feeling ; and the greatest knowledge and feeling is produced by years of patient loving work in a mind originally strong and susceptible. No doubt this is a most unsatisfactory conclusion, and prosaic, for angels, and wings, and the empyreal to arrive at, most unsatisfactory for the idler, the fool, and the vain-glorious; but intensely comforting and happy to an earnest man, who is ready to humble himself, to watch and wait on what he loves. Above all, it is intensely practical for teacher and taught. -Thring.

## Special Papers.

THE INFLUENCE OF THE TEACHER IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL.*
MUCH has been written and many things have been said on this subject, and perhaps it would not be out of place to spend a short time in ecounting some of these things.
We teachers, amongst the many difficulties which surround us, and which continually rise up in our path, sometimes, nay, almost always, lose sight of the glorious possibilities of our calling. We forget the wonderful power which has been delegated to us of influencing and directing the youth of ourland to tread the paths of rectitude, or-shall I say it?-of lending that influence to direct them in the opposite way.

Every man has an influence which is either for good or evil. How important that a teacher's influence should be for good! The teacher is the pupil's model, whom he must copy, whose influence he cannot help recognizing. He has it in his power to impress his character upon the children under him ; yes, it will be impressed, whether he desire it or not. Such being the case, the ideal which those who undertake to instruct the young should set up for themselves ought to be a high one indeed. From the person and character of the teacher flows out " a ceaseless stream of unseen mystic power," moulding the youthful character. Then let us not forget our inheritance as teachers and educators. The words of Webster should ever ring in our ears " If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds, if we imbue them with principles, with the just fear of God and love of our fellowmen, we engrave upon those tablets something which will brighten to all eternity." And let us remember that, as teachers in the school-room, we should be living models for the pupils to copy. For, as Ruskin, the great English writer, says: "It is not so much in buying pictures, as in being pictures, that you can encourage a good school. The best patronage of art is not that which seeks for the pleasure of sentiment in a vague ideality, nor for beauty of form in a marble image, but that which educates your children into living heroes, and brings down the flights and fondness of the heart into practical duty and faithful devotion."
Let us now consider for a short time the teacher's influence in the school-room particularly.
Solomon says; "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine."
Dr. Dwight says: "He that makes a little child happier for half-an-hour is a co-worker with God."
What a blessing to a school is a cheerful teacher, one whose spirits are not affected by wet days or little disappointments. Such a person brightens the school-room like a perpetual sunbeam. The children go to school with a sense of something great to be accomplished, and so day by day their strength and energy are renewed.

Again a contributor to an American magazine gives us the following:-"Besides being faithful in the ordinary instruction of the school-room, the teacher gives many other lessons by the force of his own character. One of these is politeness. This includes all those acts of civility and courtesy which make one person truly agreeable to another. It involves the treatment of every person with all the consideration that is due to him. The teacher may daily deliver lectures on the subject or conduct, recitations from the text book on 'morals and manners,' yet, if in his intercourse with his pupils he is morose, boorish, or clownish, his direct instruction will be largely lost. His actions will speak louder than his words. If he gives respectful attention to the questions and recitations of his pupils, he teaches them politeness. The highest and best type of politeness is but the outward manifestation of genuine goodness of heart. If the teacher then be a true gentleman or lady, the pupils will receive effective lessons in politeness without effort on his part and without s:udy on theirs."

The same writer continuing, says": "If the teacher begins school late or closes it early; if he frequently omits part of the recitations; if he
${ }^{\text {*R }}$ Read by Miss Bremner, before the East Grey Teachers' Institute.
lounges about while out of school, he teaches habits of idleness and thriftlessness. If, on the contrary, he is active and energetic; if he always begins and closes school on time; if he fills every recitation hour full of cheerful work ; if out of school he engages in useful employment ; and in proper recreation at proper times, he teaches lessons of industry economy, thrift, regularity, and punctuality."

And I would add still another lesson, that of honesty and integrity. In seeking to promote these virtues in his school, the teacher must ascertain that there is nothing in his discipline or in his treatment of his pupils which would lead away from them. He must be very careful in conducting examinations to see that there is no chance for deception. Even trifling carelessness in these matters is like the opening of a sluice-gate, and sets free a torrent which it may be next to impossible to stem. He cannot set up too high a standard for integrity and honesty.
Let him avoid every appearance of evil in himself and detect it in his pupils. Let him always say what he means and mean what he says. Let him be what he appears to be. Let him scrupulously keep his promises. By these means he teaches honesty. In all things let him be a man of incorruptibility and soundness of heart, and loyal to his sense of right. Let his adherence to principles of rectitude be so strong that nothing can break it. Let nothing move him from the strict line of duty. His pupils will see it, will admire his character and will strive to imitate him.
In the second place, let us consider the teacher's influence out of schoo'. If he is a man of literary tastes, and appreciates good reading himself, he may direct the reading of his pupils. By reading aloud interesting selections from good standard authors, he may create in the minds of his pupils a desire to proceed with such works ; and the benefit derived from the reading of a good book is incalculable. Let us do what we can to encourage the reading of good books and discourage the reading of that pernicious literature which is so plentiful and so injurious.
Just a word, by the way, on the subject of reading. We can widen our influence and associate with the highest and most cultured society by making books our friends. Those who have not the privilege of mixing with intellectual, thinking people, may make up for that deficiency by associating with Macaulay, Carlyle, Milton, Ruskin, and a host of others.
Le Vaux says: "A teacher must be ever learning and studying; he can never know enough; or as Palmerston says: 'He can never learn too much.' The true teacher should know or endeavor to know the whole circle of knowledge, but more especially those branches which are of daily use in his vocation. In the grand march of intellect and science he should lead, instead of being led. Fixing his eye on the star of his country, his great and paramount object should be to train up the youth of his fold so that they may be good and worthy citizens-an honour to him and a credit to themselves through the long years to come."
I would also say a few words upon some bad habits which, I hope, are not very common in our profession, viz., the use of strong drink and tobacco.

Intemperance is one of the crying evils of the present time. Let us then do all we can, both by precept and example, both in school and out of school, to remove this stumbling-block from the way of the people. A text-book has been provided to teach, from a scientific stand-point, the dangers of the use of alcohol. How many of us use this book?

The use of tobacco is very injurious both morally and physically, besides being-well, not a cleanly habit. It was the fate of the writer to succeed one who was a constant user of tobacco in more ways than one-not only out of school but also in the school-room. He had so impressed his character and habits upon his pupils that every child in that sohool-both boy and girl-was in the habit of spitting upon the floor. It took months of careful exhortation and patient teaching to do away with that disgustful habit. Their teacher had done it, and why should not they? Many of the boys had learned from him the use of the pernicious weed. What a legacy to leave behind! Example is a most powerful teacher.

To close :-
Thou must be true thyself, if thou the truth wouldst teach;
Thy soul must overflow, if thou another soul wouldst reach;
It needs the overflow of heart to give the lips free speech.

Think truly, and thy thoughts shall the world's famine feed;
Speak truly, and each word of thine shall be a truthful seed;
Live truly, and thy life shall be a great and noble creed."

## Mathematics.

All communications intended for this column should be sent before the 2oth of each month to C. Clarkson, B.A., Seaforth, Ont.

## PROBLEMS FOR SOLUTION.

I. A CONTRACTOR engages what he considers a sufficient number of men to execute a piece of work in 84 days; but he ascertains that 3 of his men do, respectively, $\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{7}$, and $\frac{1}{8}$ less than an average day's work, and two others $\frac{1}{8}$ and $\frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{6}$ more, and in order to complete the work in the 14 weeks he procures the help of 17 additional men for the $84^{\text {th }}$ day. How much less or more than an average day's work is required on the part of these 17 men ?-By J. C.
2. A sold goods to $B$ at sundry times and on different terms of credit. September 3oth, 1868, $\$ 80.75$ on 4 months' credit ; November 3rd, 1868, $\$ 150$ on 5 months' credit ; January 1, 1869, $\$ 30.80$ on 6 months' credit; March 10, I869, $\$ 40.50$ on 5 , months' credit ; April 25th, 1869, $\$ 60.30$ on 4 months' credit. How much will balance the account June 2nd, 1869 ?-By J. C.
3. A person has $\$ 6,500$ which he divides into two parts and loans at different rates of interest, so that the two parts produce equal returns. If the first part had been loaned at the second rate of interest, it would have produced $\$ 180$; and if the second part had been loaned at the first rate of interest it would have produced $\$ 245$. Find the rates of interest.
A hollow iron cylinder, of which the internal radius is 3 inches and the thickness 2 inches, is cased with wood an inch thick. If the weights of equal volumes of the iron and wood are as $11: 2$, compare the weights of the iron cylinder and the wooden case.
5. Solve $x^{5}+2 x^{4}-3 x^{3}-3 x^{2}+2 x+1=0$, as a quadratic.
6. Solve the equation

$$
2^{2} x+2+4^{1-x}=17, \text { as a quadratic. }
$$

SOLOTIONS TO R. M. WHITE'S PROBLEMS, OCTOBER NUMBER.
By W. S. Howell., Sombra; J. M. C.; L. B.. and others.

1. The capitals are as $42: 48$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { A's }=(42 \times 5)+(21 \times 7)=357 \\
& \text { B's }=(48 \times 5)+(16 \times 7)=352 \text { : Total } 709 \\
& \therefore \text { A's share }=357,709 \text { ths of } \$ 7090=\$ 3570
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { A's share }=357,709 \text { ths of } \$ 7090=\$ 3570 \\
& \text { B's } \quad=352, \quad \text { " } \quad=\$ 3520
\end{aligned}
$$

2. $2 \%$ disct. $=\frac{100}{5000} ; \frac{4}{5} \frac{9}{0}$ of credit price to be borrowed.
 to be paid.
Gain $=\frac{100-49}{5000}=\frac{51}{5000}$ of credit price $=\$ 15.30$ gain at the end of two months. If the cash gain is meant, we must take the present worth of $\$ 15.30$, due in 2 mos.,
3. "A merchant sold two suits of clothes for $\$ 72$ " is indefinite.
Perhaps they were sold at $\$ 36$ each. If so, one was sold for $\frac{6}{5}$ cost and the other for $\frac{4}{5} ; \therefore$ the cost prices were $\$ 30$ and $\$ 45$; total cost $=\$ 75$; loss $=\$ 3$ on $\$ 75=$ $4 \%$ of cost.

If they were not sold at $\$ 36$ each, let $\mathbf{P}=$ total selling price,
$x=$ selling price of ist suit, $\therefore P-x=$ selling price of 2 nd $\therefore \frac{5}{6} x+\frac{5}{4}(P-x)=$ total cost price $=\frac{1}{12}(15 P-5 x)$.
. loss or gain $=P-\frac{1}{12}(15 P-5 x)=\frac{5 x}{12}-\frac{1}{4} P$, a result
that shows by its form the indeterminateness of the problem.

JULY ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS.
Solutions by R. Coates, Kilbride.

## 1. $\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{5}{7}$, i.e., $\frac{3}{4}$ to be divided by $\frac{1}{7}$ of 5 .

$\frac{3}{4} \div 5=\frac{3}{20}$, but this is seven times too small.
$\frac{3}{20} \times 7=\frac{21}{2}$, the required quotient.
$\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{8}{7}$ is $\frac{8}{4} \times \frac{7}{5}=\frac{2}{2} 6 . \quad \therefore$ Invert the divisor, etc.
-012 $\div 6$. 012 is evidently a product of two factorsone, $\cdot 6$, we know, and the other unknown. By dividing by 6 , we see that 2 is the other factor. But when we multiply 6 by 2 we get $1 \cdot 2$, not our dividend at all.
By applying the same method as we used in the valgar or common fraction, we solve the matter.
 which is 10 times too small. $\therefore 1 \frac{70}{500} \times 10=\frac{2000}{1000}=.02$ he correct quot. $\therefore$ Divide as in whole numbers and point off as many figures, etc.
cts. No. bus. oats.
2. $39.75 \times 48.6=\left(\begin{array}{l}\$ 19.3185 \\ 385 \times 13.5(\text { No: of bls. })=51.975\end{array}\right\} \xrightarrow{\$ 71 \cdot 2935}=$
$385 \times 13.5$ (No: of bls. $)=51.975\}$ cis. 375 ${ }^{\text {times }}$
$\therefore 190 \times 116$, the number of los. of butter received.
3. $25 \times 3 \frac{1}{5}=80$ miles the first train was ahead.
$37-25=12$ miles, distance gained fer ho. by 2nd
$80 \div 12=63_{3}^{2}$ ho. 4 ho. $12^{\prime \prime}+6$ ho. $40^{\prime \prime}=10$ ho. $52^{\prime \prime}$ when $37 \times 6 \frac{2}{3}=246 \frac{2}{3} \mathrm{mls}$. from starting point
4. $3 / 4 \%$ of property $=\$ 3093.75, \frac{1}{4}=\$ 103 \mathrm{I} .25$,
$100 \%=\$ 1031.25 \times 400=\$ 412,500$.
5. $\quad \$ 1.26-\$ 1.05=21 . \quad 21-11=10$.

Now as there was 11 cents more gain than loss
10 cts. must be evenly divided, $\therefore \$ 1.26-(\mathrm{II}+5$ )
$=\$ 1.10$, real value of cloth. The gain by ques. was therefore $30 \mathrm{cts} . \quad 30 \times 800=\$ 240$, gain on 800 yds .
6. As the first row of shingles is double, each rafter will be $22^{\prime} 4^{\prime \prime}$, two rafters are $44^{\prime} 8^{\prime \prime}$ or 536 in .
$54 \mathrm{ft} .=648 \mathrm{in} . \quad$ Surface of roof $=535 \times 648$
Surface of a shingle $=\frac{535 \times 6}{4 \times 6}=11772$
$\therefore 11,772$ the No. of shingles required to cover the toof.
7. Average daily pay, $\$ .92$.

Boys get \$ . 5 5
Men get \$1. io.
$\therefore 18$ boys and 27 men will give 92 cts . as average daily wage for man or boy. But 18 should be 8 boys, and as 27 is $1 \frac{1}{2}$ times $18 \therefore 1 \frac{1}{2}$ times $8=12$, No. of men employed.
8. 2 ac. 2 ro. 32 per. $=432$ per. As boundary sides are as $4: 3, \therefore \frac{9}{4}$ of $432=324$, No. of rods in a square on the least side. $\sqrt{324}=18$ rods
$18=3 . \quad \therefore 4=24 . \quad 18 \times 24=432$ per.
9. $\$ 9000+15 \%$ of $9000=\$ 10350$, which is $80 \%$ of No. 2's sapital.

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80 \%=\$ 10350
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$\begin{aligned} 1 \% & =\frac{1}{80}(\$ 10350) \\ 100 \% & =\frac{80}{80}(\$ 10350) \times 100=\$ 12937.50 .\end{aligned}$

> Entrance arithmetic.

By Frank C. Whitrlock, Richview.

1. Simplify $\frac{3}{8}+\frac{1}{3}$ of $\frac{6}{7}-\frac{1}{14}$, and find how often the result is continued in $\frac{11}{12} \div \frac{7}{23}\left(\frac{1}{4}-\frac{1}{8}+\frac{5}{6}\right)$.
2. How many acres in a road 60 miles long, and 60 feet wide?
3. A soldier takes 7920 steps in $3 \frac{3}{4}$ miles. Find the length of his step ?
4. Find value of a pile of brick 24 ft . long, to ft . wide and 8 ft . high, @ $\$ 12.00$ per thousand, each brick 8 in . long, 4 in. wide, and 2 in thick.
5. If 25 cts. will buy 6 apples, 8 oranges or 10 pears, how many oranges are worth as much as 2 doz. apples and 3 doz . pears?
6. If a man can run 132 yards in 12 seconds, how far would a steamboat go in $61 / 4$ days, at that rate?
7. A can do a piece of work in 4 days. B and C together can do it in $3 \frac{3}{7}$ days. A and $B$ together can do it in 2 ? days. In what time will $C$ alone do it?
8. What part of 40 is $\frac{4}{8}$ of $16 \frac{2}{3}$ per ct . of 80 ?
9. If I gain 20 per ct. of the price of a farm by selling it for $\$ 6000$, what per ct. would I lose selling it for $\$ 4500$ ?
10. In what time will a sum of money amount to four times itself @ $81 / 3$ per ct., Simple Interest ?
II. A can do $\frac{3}{3}$ of a piece of work in 4 days. $B$. $\frac{3}{4}$ of it in 6 days. $C$ 各 of it in 8 days. How long will it take $A, B$, and $C$ together to do $\frac{1}{2}$ of it?
11. A bag of grain weighs one cwt., $42 \frac{1}{2}$ lbs. How much less than a ton would 14 such bags weigh.
12. If io sq. yds. produce one sheaf of wheat and 24 sheaves one bushel, find the value of a ten acre field of wheat @ 80 cts. per bush.?
13. What part of 4 miles is 2 rods, 3 yards, $I \frac{7}{2}$ feet ?
14. Divide $\$ 505$ among $A, B \& C$, giving $B \$ 3$ less than 5 times $A$, and $C \$ 82$ more than twice $B$.
15. A merchant buys a barrel (42 gals.) vinegar @ 40 cts. per gallon. The freight is $\$ 2.40$. He sells it at 8 cts. per pint. Find his profit?
16. 2 men, 3 women, or 4 boys can do a piece of work in 12 days ; how long will it take I man, I woman, and 1 boy to do it?
17. 5 boys and 4 men do a work in 6 days. 3 boys do it in 20 days. How long will it take 3 men to do it?
18. Sell two farms for $\$ 4000$ each. Gain 20 per ct. on and lose 20 , per ct . on the other. Did I gain or lose, and how much ?
19. What sum will amount to $\$ 903$ in 3 years @ $7 \frac{1}{2}$ per ct.?
20. How much greater is $\frac{8}{7}$ of 7545.8 d. than $\frac{4}{5}$ of $£ 3$, 5s, Iod.?
21. Divide $\$ 179$ among $A, B, C$, giving $B \$ 21$ more han $A$, and $\$ 1 r$ less than $C$.
22. I buy goods for $\$ 1150$ cash, and sell them for $\$ 1224$ on a credit of 4 months. Do I gain or lose, and how much, money being worth 6 per ct.?
23. Find the product of the sum and difference of 15 and. 15 .
24. Difference between the Simple and Compound Interest on a sum of money for 3 years and 8 months is $\$ 985.60$. Find the sum.
25. A, B, and $C$ rent a pasture. A puts in 10 cows for 3 months. B 4 horses for 5 months. C 32 sheep for 4 months. If a horse equals 2 cows or 4 sheep, and the rent is $\$ 67$, what should each pay?
26. If the quotient is 7 times the divisor and the latter 4 times the remainder, and the sum of the three 495 , find the dividend.

## English.

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## ENTRANCE COMPOSITION.

I. Write sentences containing each of the follow ing words correctly used in such a way as to show you understand the differences in their meaning :-spade, shovel ; stove, range, furnace ; steps, stairs ; wash, bathe ; love, like; hear, listen ; bad, wicked; cup, mug ; spire, tower.
2. Enlarge the following, using a proper title, and paying attention to your punctuation:-A gentleman once stopped his gig at the door of a shop in Lyme. He went into the shop and left his dog on the seat of the gig. The horse took fright at something, and started off down the street, dragging the reins on the gronnd. The dog at once jumped down, and seized the reins in his teeth. Although he was dragged along for some distance, he held on until he succeeded in stopping the horse
(2) A British sailor was captured by the French troops. 'The French troops were commanded by Napoleon. Napoleon was the Emperor of the French. Napoleon saw the sailor's grief. Napoleon ordered his men to allow the British sailor to go where he pleased.
(3.) Coal contains the heat of the sun. The heat of the sun is stored up in the coal. The heat of the sun has passed gradually into the coal through the leaves. It has also passed through the roots. These leaves and roots belonged to trees. These trees have been covered over. They have slowly changed into coal.

## 3. Correct the faulty examples :-

He does not know his father better than Uncle Thomas.

He could not refrain crying out for joy.
Neither the virtue nor necessity of the deed makes any difference to him.

A blunder is when you make a great mistake.
Try to show kindness to such persons as need kindness and will be discouraged without it.
4. Write a letter to a former school companion asking the pleasure of a visit from him during the Christmas vacation.
5. Combine so as to make a well-arranged complex sentence :-(I) Winter brings with it cold and ice. Winter is the least enjoyable season of the year. Winter makes outdoor life disagreeable. Winter lasts from December to the end of February.

## "BATTLE OF BANNOCKBURN," AND <br> FROM "IVANHOE." <br> BY MONA. <br> Fourth Reader, pages 84 und 164 .

Should there be a teacher who has not read some, at least, of Scott's works, let him or her get them at once, and a treat is guaranteed. "The Tales of a Grandfather" is a history so plain and so simple that any child may understand (see Preface); so charming, fascinating, and instructive
that all may read with pleasure and profit. The selection being taken from chap. x., let the teacher read the omitted parts to class. By a little study the teacher may soon have a fund of anecdotes concerning the four principal characters, thus add ing interest to the lesson and breaking the humdrum monotony of the usual routine.
Of the fourteen paragraphs, each will be seen to depend on the preceding, thus having the thread of discourse unbroken. For reproduction the following may be of use :-I. The Two Armies. II. Preparations for Battle. III. The Battle. IV The Result. But avoid getting into a rut ; re-write it as Scott tells it, as Bruce would tell it, as an Englishman would tell it. See History, pages 34 and 36. Have pupils draw map of Scotland, marking places mentioned. As sufficient is given in the Reader on Scott's life, it is not necessary here. Have pupils point out on map the familiar scenes in Scott's life.
Ivanhoe, a story of Richard II.'s reign, is full of thrilling incidents, historic legends, and valuable information; asin the other, the thread of the narrative is continuous. Richard was away on the 3rd crusade. (For definition of crusade see "Tales of Grandfather," chap. xi., and History, page 20.) John is holding a tournament at Ashby. The selection in the Reader is taken from an account of the second day.
Teachers should all refer to chap. viii. "The stout, well-set, brown-faced, firm-voiced, and stern looking yeomen, dressed in Lincoln-green, twelve arrows in his belt, a baldric, silver badge and bow."
Chap. viii. Cause of John's spite against Locksley.

Chap. ix. The closing injunction of the first day.
Chap. xiii. From which the selection is taken.
Direct narration is plentiful here, and there need be no excuse for examples. Have the class select a suitable subject. Compare Scott with Hugo, who also wrote tales for children. Study Richard's reign carefully, and refer to the Battle of Hastings. Ask pupils for a map of England showing Ashby and other places mentioned. As the paragraphs are generally short, allow the class to divide the lesson into parts, for example:-1. The Archery Contest. II. The contest between Hubert and Locksley. III. The result.

Distinguish the characteristics of Prince John, Hubert, and Locksley.
"BATTLE OF BANNOCKBURN," Page 84. I. -THE TWO ARMIES.

Par. 1.-"Dominions." Name these. See History, page 24.
"Nobles and Barons." Distinguish; explain Feudal Svstem; History, page 17.
"The Bruce." Indicates he was the leader
"Randolph and Douglas" were rivals for fame, note the noble action of D., par. 5 .

Explanation of last three or four lines found in par. 6; page 37 ; P. S. History.

## II.--" PREPARATIONS FOR battle."

Par. 2.-" Address," outward show, tact, skill, ability.
"Stratagem," artifice, trick, deception, plot; from G., meaning to "out-general."
"Dug full of pits." What was done with earth ?
"As-holes." Explain simile and note any others.
"Plain." Use this word in other senses.
"Burn," creek of Bannock.
"Stirling," ancient capital.
"Falkirk." Why was this an important place?
Page 35, P. S. History.
"Beautiful and terrible." How could this be ?
"Standards." The ensign or colors.
"Pennants." Flags of Knights or Barons.
"Banners." The sign of several Barons united.
"Christendom." Name the countries included
under that name then and now.
Par. 3.-A skirmish.
"Rose-chaplet." Explain metaphor.
"Lances." They fought with the points. See par. 7.
"Handful." Note figure.
"Empty saddles." Why?
Pars. 4 and 5.-The noble action of Douglas.
Why?
Par. 6.-" Bravest knights." Why bravest?

Why did Bruce wear his crown ?
Par. 7.-"As-nut-shell." Explain.
"Gallant," distinguish trom the noun.
"I-battle-axe." Was King Bruce hard-hearted? Why?

Par. 8.-The appeal to Hearen. Change from direct to indirect.
III. -THE BATTLE.

Par. 9.-Compare the weapons of that day with our day.
"Like-snow." Notice the simile.
What name is applied to the "body in readiness?"

Par. 10. - Why did the Scottish cavalry escape these holes and the English fall into them?

Were not the English cowards to run before they saw what was coming over Gillies' Hill ?

> IV.-THE RESULT.

Par. II.-Note the various names applied to the army.
Par. r2. -Why ""victorious soldiers," not "army." Par. 13.-Teil the story of Bruce and the blood hounds. Found in "Tales of a Grandfather."
Par. 14.-Distinguish :-
"Wisdom" and "military talents."
"Warriors" and " patriots."
"State" and "province."
"Recollection" and " memory."
There are about 200 words for which equivalents may be substituted.

## IVANHOE, Page 164. <br> I.-THE CONTEST.

Compare :--"Answered and replied."
Notice the various epithets applied by Prince John to Locksley, and also the great number of synonyms used. Also it will be seen that John was well versed in calling names. Is this a habit of yours?

Be súre to explain "precedence."
"A man can but do his best." Would this better express meaning?
II. -THE CONTEST BETWEEN HUBERT AND LOCKSLEY.
How carefully Hubert took his aim.
How carelessly Locksley took his.
Is the word picture well drawn?
Have pupils write down the number of names given to "station."
"Set speech." Explain.
"Very centre." What is the value of "very ?"
"Mend shot." Explain this.
"Insulting smile." Explain how you could insult by smiling.
"Competitor." Give synonyms.
"North Country." Where?
"King Arthur." See history, page 4.
"A man-best." Is this a good motto ? Why ?
"Parson's whitcle "-knife.
"Parson's whitcle"-knife.
"As-see." Why is this not a simile?
III.-THE RESULT.

The results were three, (1) of the archers' contest; (2) of the Hubert-Locksley contest ; (3) of the day on John.

Have the class substitute equivalents.
Notice how every word brings out the exact meaning.
"Crowd," populace, people, multitude.
"True eye." What is the value of true?
"Shook-head." What did it mean?
"Seen no more." Explain.
"As well as I." Supply ellipsis.

## QUESTION AND ANSWER.

Please answer and oblige reader :-In the notes to the selection from "The Deserted Village," "passing" is given as meaning surpassing. Do you agree with this ?-EnQuIrer.

Yes. The beauty of the passage disappears in regarding it in any other way. The village preacher was surpassing rich in spite of the emallness of his income. "Godliness with contentment is great gain," is the principle that the poet is enforcing. For a similar, though slightly different thought, see line sixty-two of the same poem: "and his best riches ignorance of wealth." Compare also from his preface to The Traveller; it is addressed to a man, who, despising fortune, has retired early to happiness and obscurity.

## Music Department.

(All communications for this department may, until further notice, be addressed to A. T. Cringan, 23 Avenue St., Toronto.)

The first lesson in tune having been taught and pupils enabled to sing the tones $d, m$ and $s$ in any order from a key-tone given at various degrees of pitch, the subject of time will be next in order of introduction. As tune is taught apart from time, the law of " one thing at a time" requires that time be taught on one tone without any attempt being made at singing a melody, except in the introduction.

## FIRST LESSON IN TIME-INTRODUCTION.

TEACHER. - In our last lesson we studied three sounds, and now that you can sing them easily, we will study something entirely different in music. Sometimes when listening to the playing of a band on the streets I have noticed that there is one man with an instrument different from all the others on which he simply beats while the others are playing. Can you tell me what that instrument is called? ClASS.-A drum. T.-Quite correct ; can you tell me why he beats on the drum? C.-To keep time. T.-Yes; we cannot have anything like order in our music unless we learn how to sing in time.

## PULSES-THEIR EXISTENCE.

T.-I will now sing a tune you all know, and while I sing you will beat time for me by clapping your hands softly, and in doing this you will listen carefully and note whether you all keep time together. (Sings well-known tune with strongly marked rhythm, while pupils beat time as directed). T.-Did you all beat at the same time, or did you get confused while beating ? C.-We kept together. T.-Yes; you kept together very nicely. What was it that kept you together so nicely? C.-Your singing; the tune. T.-Yes; and you will find that in every tune there is something that helps to keep us together while we sing. This something we call the pulse. Now I wish you to find out the pulses in some other tunes which I sing. (Sings other tunes while pupils beat time as before).

## REGULARITY OF PULSES.

T.-Did you observe while beating time whether you beat for every tone that I sang? No answer. Listen while I beat seem to be quite sure about it. Listen while I beat time for every tone and tell me whether it sounds the same as your beating? (Pupils listen, and smile at the incongruity of the beating). Was that the same as your beating ? C. -No. T. - What was the difference? C.-It did not sound so nicely. $T .-I$ will sing the same tune once more, while you try to beat time for every tone. (Pupils attempt, but break up in confusion). T.-You do not seem to keep together as you did at first. Which do you find the easier manner of beating time? C.-The first. T.-How did you beat at first? C.-Regularly. T.-You will find that all pulses in music are regular, that is, of equal length. Did you notice whether the pulses went as quickly in all tunes as they did in the first one? C.-In some tunes the pulses went quickly, in others slowly. T.-You all know how a watch ticks, and how a large fclock ticks. Do they tick regularly ? C.-Yes. T.-Does the watch tick as slowly as the clock? C.-No; it ticks faster. T. -It is exactly the same in music; in some tunes slowly, but in all tunes they move regularly.

## ACCENT AND MEASURE.

T.-We have just discovered that all pulses are alike in length. Now, I wish you to find out whether they are alike in strengtu. Listen while I sing and tell me whether they are all of equal strength. (Sings on one tone to syllable laa, a short phrase with alternate strong and weak accents). Were all those pulses alike? C.-No; some were strong and some were weak. T.-You will now sing it as I did, while I beat time for you. (This is done repeatedly until pupils sing with carefuily marked accent, and without shortening of the weak pulse). T.-Now that you can sing this exercise correctly, I will show you the signs for the
atrong and weak pulses. (Writes $|:|:|:|:| |$ ).

The upright bar is the sign for the strong pulse and the colon for the weak pulse. Will someone come up and point out all the strong pulses on the board? Will someone else point out all the weak pulses? (Pupils volunteer, and point as desired, while others watch whether it is done correctly). T.-Now you will sing to laa as I point. (Pupis sing, | LAA: $l a a|\operatorname{LAA}: l a a|$ LAA : laa | LAA : laa $\|$ ). T.-That is done correctly. You feel how regularly the strong pulses are heard, and how evenly they divide the tune. Each of the spaces from one strong pulse to the next strong pulse is called a measure. Look at the exercise on the board and tell me how many measures there are? C.-Four. T.-Yes. We find that the strong pulse is always the first pulse in a measure. Now count how many pulses we have in each measure. (Points to exercise while pupils count $|\mathrm{I}: 2| \mathrm{I}: 2|\mathrm{I}: 2| \mathrm{I}: 2| | \mid$. How many do you find? C.-Two. T.-Then we have two pulses in each measure; we call that two-pulsemeasure. Jisten once more, and tell me whether sing the pulses exactly as in the two-pulse-measure. (Sings: | LaA laa laa | LaA laa laa ||, accenting the first note in evcry group of three.) How did the pulses sound? C.-Strong, weak, weak. You will now try and sing them exactly as I did. (Gives pattern, and class imitate.) Now that you can sing them I wish you to tell me how to write them. What is the first pulse ? C.-Strong. T.-What is the sign for the strong pulse? C.-An upright bar. (Writes | and develops three-pulse-measure by similar questioning until four three.pulsemeasures are written. $|::|::|::|::|| |$. Pupils sing from pointing, and count the number of pulses in each measure as in developing two-pulsemeasure.

## TIME NAMES.

T. - I will now write from your dictation four two-pulse measures. (Writes $|:|: 1:|: \|$ ) Now we will put some notes in those pulses, and then we will learn how to sing a real tune. (Writes $|\mathrm{d}: \mathrm{m}| \mathrm{s}: \mathrm{s}|\mathrm{s}: \mathrm{m}| \mathrm{d}: \mathrm{d} \|$. In order to assist you to sing strictly in time we use a series of time-names. When we have a note occupying a whole pulse, we call taa. Listen while I sing. (Sings : tas taa taa taa taa taa taa taa). You will now sing it after me. (Pupils sing as directed.) T.-I will now write the time-names for you and you will practice singing from the blackboard. (Writes $|\mathrm{d}: \mathrm{m}| \mathrm{s}: s|\mathbf{s}: m| d: d| |$ and pupils singing caa taa la tas lan la taa
time names one tone from teacher's pointing.) whether listen while I sing and tell me and lengthens correctly. (Sings on one tone and note.) Did you note but one, omitting last note.) Did you notice any mistake? C.-Yes. T.-Someone poinc out the place where mistake was made. (Volunteer points to proper place). T. Yow, tell me what I did that was wrong. C. You made the second last dot too long; you left out the last dot. T.-Quite right. Now listen and sing after me. (Sings-Taa-aa taa-aa taa-za, and pupils imitate). T.-I will now show you the sing for a tone that is lengthened or prolonged. (Alters last measure from|d:d\|into|d:-1). The time-name for the dash is always ana. We wil now sing this exercise in tune. (Gives sound of dot and pupils sing as directed, giving last note two pulses). Pupils will now practice from Book I., Canadian Music Course, exercises No. If to 23, first on one tone to time-names, then in tune to syllables.

In a recent article in the Nineteenth Century, Mr. Edward Freeman gives his opinion and practice as follows:-My taste in prose leads me to prefer plain English, pure English, straightforward English, rhythmical English, English of which the meaning of every word is clear, English in which, if a thought tending to mérriment comes of itself, it is glady welcomed, but in ${ }^{*}$ which it is not thought the first of duties to thrust in a joke in every line, whether there is any material for joking or not. It is, I know, more 'literary' to prefer the modern "brilliant" style, the forced liveliness, the out-of-the-way allusions, the scraps of foregin tongues, the pet phrases prescribed by momentary fashion, all in short that distinguishes the style of the man who has to say somethiug from the style of the man who has something to say.

## Examination Papers.

## UNIVERSITY OF TORONTOANNUAL EXAMINATIONS, 1888. <br> Junior Matriculation.

ENGLISH POETICAL LITERATURE.

## - PASS

## Examiner-John Seath, B.A.

Note.-Candidates for Scholarships will take sections I., II., and IV. Other candidates will take section I., either section II. or section III., and any two questions in section IV.

## 1.

They love the country, and none else, who seek For their own sake its silence and its shade ; Delights which who would leave, that has a heart Susceptible of pity, or a mind
Cultured and capable of sober thought,
For all the savage din of the swift pack,
And clamors of the field? Detested sport,
That owes its pleasures to another's pain, That feeds upon the sobs and dying shrieks
Of harmless nature, dumb, but yet endued
With eloquence that agonies inspire,
Of silent tears and heart-distending sighs !
Vain tears, alas! and sighs that never find A corresponding tone in jovial sou 8.
Well,-one at least is safe. One sheltered hare
Has never heard the sanguinary yell
Of cruel man, exulting in her woes.
Innocent partner of my peaceful home,
Whom ten long years' experience of my care
Has made at last familiar, she has lost
Much of her vigilant instinctive dread,
Not needful here, beneath a roof like mine.
Yes-thou mayst eat thy bread, and lick the hand That feeds thee ; thou mayst frolic on the floor At evening, and at night retire secure
To thy straw couch, and slumber unalarmed;
For I have gained thy confidence, have pledged All that is human in me to protect
Thine unsuspecting gratitude and love.
If I survive thee I will dig thy grave;
And when 1 place thee in it, sighing say,
I knew at least one hare that had a friend

1. Designate the foregoing extract by an appropriate descriptive title. Explain the relation of this extract to the preceding context.
2. Show, by means of a synopsis, that the thoughts and emotions follow one another in natural and logical order.
3. Omitting considerations of netre, state, with reasons, which in each of the following pairs of expressions is more suitable above:-" silence," 1. 2, and " quietness"; "susceptible," l. 4, and "capable"; "din," 1.6 , and "noise"; " harmless,". I. 10, and "innocent"; "vain"" 1. 13, and "idle"; "yell," 1 . 16, and " shout"; " couch," 1. 26, and "bed"; and "slumber," 1. 26, and " sleep."
4. Explain the full force of each of the italicized expressions.
5. Make a list of the emotional and æsthetic qualities of style that are exemplified above, and show, by means of the most marked examples, to what extent each quality has been secured by devices of diction.
6. Write concise elocutionary notes upon what you consider the most important points in the extract.

## II.

O Winter: ruler of the inverted year, Thy scattered hair with sleet like ashes filled, The breath congealed upon thy lips, thy cheeks Fringed with a beard made white with other snows Than those of age, thy forehead wrapt in clouds, $A$ leafless branch thy sceptre, and thy throne A sliding car, indebted to no wheels,
But urged by storms along its slippery way, -
I love thee, all unlovely as thou seem'st, And dreaded as thou art. Thou holdst the sun A prisoner in the yet undawning east, Shortening his journey between morn and noon, And hurrying him, impatient of his stay,
Down to the rosy west; but kindly still
Compensating his loss with added hours

Of social converse and instructive ease, And gathering, at short notice, in one group The family dispersed, and fixing thought, Not less dispersed by daylight and its cares. I crown thee King of intimate delights, -Fireside enjoyments, homeborn happiness, And all the comforts that the lowly roof Of undisturbed retirement, and the hours Of long uninterrupted evening know.

1. Show that the train of thought in the extract is carried on uninterruptedly from the beginning to the close.
2. Discuss the appropriateness of the details of the personification in ll. $1-8$, noting especially the force of the italicized words.
3. Explain the meaning and discuss the appropriatenese of the italicized expressions in II. 1024.
4. This passage is universally admitted to be one of the finest in The Task. Show, by means of examples, wherein consists its poetical superiority to other parts of the poem.

## III.

Come, Evening, once again, season of peace ; Return, sweet Evening, and continue long! Methinks I see thee in the streaky west,
With matron step, slow moving, while the Night Treads on thy sweeping train; one band employed In letting fall the curtain of repose
On bird and beast, the other charged for man With sweet oblivion of the cares of day;
Not sumpiuously adorned, nor needing aid,
Like homely-featured night, of clustering gems, A star or two just twinkling on thy brow Suffices thee; save that the moon is thine No less than hers, not worn indeed on high With ostentatious pageantry, but set
With modest grandeur in thy purple zone,
Resplendent less, but of an ampler round.
Come then, and thou shall find thy votary calm,
Or make me so. Composure is thy gift :
And whether I devote thy gentler hours
To books, to music, or the poet's toil ;
To weaving nets for bird-alluring fruit ;
Or twining silken threads round ivory reels,
When they command whom man was born to please;
I slight thee not, but make thee weicome still.
I. Comment on the suitability of " Evening" as a descriptive title for the foregoing extract.
2. Discuss the appropriateness of the different parts of the poet's description of Evening and Night, noting especially the contrasts and the force of the italicized expressions.
3. Omitting considerations of metre, state, with reasons, which in each of the following pairs of expressions is more suitable above: "once again," l. 1, and "again"; "streaky," J. 3, and " striped"; " slow," l. 4, and "slowly" ; "make me so," 1. . 8 , and "make him so"; "gentler," 1. 19, and "gentle ;" and "When they-please,"'. 23, and "When ladies command."
4. Show, as well as possible, wherein consists the literary excellence of the extract.
IV.

Note- The answers to the questions in this section should be as concise as possible. Where practicable, tabulated statement will be sufficient.
i. What features of Cowper's style are exemplified in the foregoing extracts? Point out the most marked example of each.
2. Show, by reference to passages in Books III. and IV., why The Task is important in the history of the development of English Literature.

3 Much of The Task is said to be inferior poetry. If you consider this judgment correct, show wherein the inferiority consists. By what artifices has Cowper succeeded in giving the inferior parts of The Task the literary merit they possess ? Illustrate your answer by references or brief quotations.
4. Illustrate any two passages in the foregoing extracts by quotations of parallel passages from other parts of 7 he Task or from the works of other poets. Point out, in each case, wherein consists the parallelism.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, ONTARIO.MIDSUMMER EXAMINATIONS, 1888.

## Third Class Teachers.

PHYSICS
Examiners: $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { W. H. Ballard, M.A. } \\ \text { J. A. McLellan, LL.D. }\end{array}\right.$
Note.-Only seven questlons are to be attempted.

1. Distinguish between hardness and density, mass and volume, ductility and malleability, elasticity and flexibility, quantity of heat ahd temperature, a fluid and a liquid.
2. An inverted tumbler rests on the bottom of a vessel containing water; the vessel is placed under the receiver of an air pump and the air gradually exhausted; state and explain what will take place.
(1) When the tumbler is wholly immersed and contains a quantity of air ;
(2) When the tumbler is partly immersed and contains no air
(3) When the tumbler is partly immersed and contains air.
3. Enumerate the characteristic properties of a liquid and describe experiments fully illustrating these properties.
4. Explain the mode' of action of the common pump.
What is the greatest distance between the surface of the water in the reservoir and the lower valve in order that the pump may do effective work ?

What change might be made in this distance if the pump were working in a fluid four-fifths as heavy as water?
5. A hollow metal shell floats wholly immersed in water at a temperature of $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Heat is applied until the temperature rises to $10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Explain what takes place.
6. A housemaid, observing that the air in the housé was chilly but that the outer air was quite warm, opened the windows and let the warm air through the house. She soon discovered, however, that the walls and furniture had become covered with moisture. State fully the causes which led to this result.

Would the same difference in temperature always produce this dampness? Explain.
If, instead of opening the windows, she had built a fire to warm the house, would the same result have followed? Why?
7. Describe the construction of Grove's Battery.

State fully what takes place when the battery is in action.

Describe two experiments intended to show what the electric current can do
8. Explain the terms refraction, reflection, and dispersion, as applied to light.
Show how an object is magnified by being viewed through a convex lens.
How is the apparent distance of the object affected ?
9. Two flexible bags, not distensible, each having a capacity of one cubic foo', are filled, the one with air at the ordinary atmospheric pressure, and the other with air at twice the ordinary pres sure, Each bag is attached to a weight which keeps it just immersed in water ; which bag will require the greater weight?
Which bag will require the greater weight to keep it immersed at a depth of 30 feet?

Give full reasons in each case for your answer
'Tis always morning somewhere.-Longfellow.
Let prayer be the key of the morning, and the bolt of the evening. - M. Henry.
Character has far more to do with determining history than history with determining, charac-ter.-Geo. Macdonald.
THE world we inhabit must have had an origin ; that origin must have consisted in a cause ; that cause must have been intelligent ; that intelligence must have been supreme; and that supreme, which always was and is supreme, we know by the name of God.-Scotch Divine.

## Teachers' Miscellany.

For the Educational Journal.
AUTUMN REFLECTIONS.
Brightest season of the year,
Grand the woodlands now appear, In their varied shades;
Splendid tints of ev'ry hue
Weave a carpet fresh and new,
Most enchanting to the view,
In the glimm'ring glades.
Sumachs in their robings gay, Graceful fronds in bright array, Form a brilliant stole. Shades of russet brown supply, Contrasts pleasing to the eye
Blent with those of gorgeous dye ; Perfect gleams the whole.

In the dreamy purple haze
Of the early Autumn days, Man rich gifts receives : When the cultur'd fertile plain Yields its wealth of golden grain, And the garners are again Fill'd with precious sheaves.
'Neath their burdens bending low, Orchards luscious fruitage show, Earth her roots affords,
Unto Him who crowns our days Bounteously, thanksgivings raise, In a psalm of heartfelt praise, And sublime accords.

Sweetly restful nature seems.
When soft tranquil mellow beams From the sun are giv'n;
In departing glory we
'Something of that radiance see,
Hov'ring round the saint as he Enters joys of heav'n.

Solemn lessons learn we now
From the late leaf-ornate bough In its leaflessness ;
Lone and lifeless, but we know
When bland spring-time breezes blow, Quicken'd it shall radiant glow, In its vernal dress.

Wisely now all creatures lay
Up their food for winter's day,
Like them should not we
For the future be as wise,
Storing, by God's grace, supplies
In sure mansions of the skies,
For eternity.
Peterboro.
Elizabeth Becket.

## WORDS NOT TO USE.

THE following, which we clip from the Chicago Mail, condenses into small compass a large number of solecisms, most of which are in too common use amongst ourselves. One or two of the condemned expressions may, perhaps, be defended on the ground of good usage, e.g.: "I had rather" is found in King James' translation of the Bible, in Shakespeare, etc.; "as soon," in the'sense of "as lief," is used by Addison and others. But even these are condemned by most authorities and probably by the best modern usage, while the great majority of the expressions tabooed are indefensible. Would it be uncharitable to hint that the teacher may, in some cases, find himself committed, if he atrempts the reform indicated, to a double task, first that of connecting his own speech, secondly, that of his pupils?

## Cute, for acute.

Party, for person.
Depot, for station.
Promise, for assure.
Posted, for informed.
Stopping, for staying.
Like I do, for as I do.
Feel badly, for feel bad.
First-rate, as an adverb.
Healthy, for wholesome.
Try and do, for try to do.
These kind, for this kind.

Cunning, for small, dainty.
Funny, for odd or unusual.
Guess, for suppose or think.
Fix, for arrange or prepare.
Just as soon, for just as lief.
Had rather, for would rather.
Had better, for would better.
Right away, for immediately.
Between seven, for among seven.
Not as good as, for not so good as.
Some ten days, for about ten days.
The matter of, for the matter with.
Not as I know, for not that I know.
Somebody else's, for somebody's else.
Kind of, to indicate a moderate degree.
Storms, for it rains or snows moderately.
Above, for foregoing, more than, or beyond.
Try an experiment, for make ar experiment.
More than you think for, for more than you think.

Nice, indiscriminately. (Real nice may be doubly faulty.)

Real, as an adverb, in expressions; real good, for really or very good.

Singular subject with contracted plural verb, e.g., "Sh e don't skate well."

Taste and smell of, when used transitively. Illustration: We taste a dish which tastes of pepper ?

Some or any, in an adverbial sense, e.g., "I have studied some," for somewhat. "I have not studied any," for at all.

## PLAIN ENGLISH.

In a practical lecture at Haverford College, Dr. Edward A. Freeman, the eminent English historiap, spoke at considerable length on the manner in which foreign words have come into our language and displaced good English words without cause. He said that Americans have retained many good English words which in England have been discarded. The word "fall," a season of the year, is an English word in use in America, which has been displaced in England by the Latin word "autumn," and he told how an Englishman complained in a letter to an English newspaper of the American use of this word, supposing that it had been invented since the Declaration of Independence. Each country has kept words which the other has lost. Mr. Freeman believes that any thought worth the thinking can be put forth clearly in English, without the use of foreign help, or of strange, out-of-the-way words, the jargon of diplomacy, etc. This kind of talk is used by cunning people who want to conceal their thoughts, and by silly.people because they think it sounds fine.

He had been looking over a file of Benjamin Franklin's newspapers the other day, and noticed how he told his story, in a straightforward, witty, taking way, with none of that forced humor and "tall talk" of which we have so much at present on both side; of the ocean. He saw no use in "donate" and "locate," and thought "begin" much better than "commence," "inaugurate" and "initiate." To illustrate, he once wrote with a great deal of care this sentence: "The time had now come when the man who had done all this good to his native land was to undo it with his own hand." There was only one foreign word, "native," in his sentence; he might have used "father" land, but this was the other extreme. For the sentence: "The time had now come," etc., he advised them not to say "the period had now arrived when the individual who had conferred," etc.
It may interest those who have been induced, "because it is English," to sound the "i" instead ot "e" in the first syllable of "either," or "neither," to learn that Dr. Freeman sounds the "e." It may be of interest to them a'so to learn that unlike a New Englander, Dr. Freeman never slurs final, " $r$ " but, like the Pennsylvanian, gives to it the round and full tone that is its due. Webster's Dictionary says" Analogy, as well as the best and most general usage, is decidedly in favor of $e$-ther " as against $i$-ther; and all lexicographers of note agree that the pronunciation of $e$-ther is to be preferred.-Gentral School Journal.

The first duty towards children is to make them happy.-Charles Buxton.

The bearing and training, of a child is woman's wisdom.-Tennysun.

## For Friday Afternoon.

## THE PUFFERS.

BY H. H. M
SEE them puff, puff away-
The big furnace chimneys;
The engine keeps roaring,
The black smoke keeps pouring All night and all day They puff, puff away.
Let them puff, puff away,
The big smoky chimneys;
For while they keep going
The iron is glowing;
So let them puff bravely
All night and all day.
See them puff, puff away,
Those small, silly fellows;
With heads that are hollow,
And faces turned yellow, The poor little smokers Are puffing away.

Let them puff, puff away, - Till they puff out some day;

From the poison they're puffing,
As cigarette stuffing,
In a small heap of ashes
They'll vanish some day-
So puff, puff away!

## THE MOBBING OF THE OWL.

## BY JAMES BUCKHAM.

Tu-whit, tu-whoo, tu-who-0.0!
'Twas the owl, on a summer's day.
At once, there screaming flew
From field and grove, the crow, the jay,
The hawk, the king-bird, the wee wren,
And many more, their noisy way
Pursuing to the glen.
Tu-whit, tu-whoo, tu-whit, tu-whoo!
Twas wonderful what a crowd he drew.
The air, and the trees in the quiet vale Were as over-full as the old dame's shoe In the nursery tale.
All the birds cbattered like mad! They called the owl everything bad, Till they'd used up every hard term they had, And vituperation was getting stale. But the owl, he cared not a bit,
With his hollow tu-whoo, and tu-whit
He answered them, jibe for jibe, In language unfit to transcribe.

At last, with $t u$-whit and $t u$-whoo, And the general hullabaloo,
The hubbub so mightily grew
That you'd think 'twas a caucus-or two.
"See here!" cried the hawk, " this won't do.
We must mob him at once, the blinking old dunce, And stop his hullabaloo!"
"Agreed!" cried the birds, to a feather.
"Let's pounce on him-now-all together!"
7u-whit, tu-whoo, tu-whoo!
With the last breath he ever drew
Cried the brave old owl.
They flew at his big blind eyes;
He could only blink and scowl!
They tumbled him out of his hole ;
They made him flutter and roll;
They filled him with anguish and dole;
Till at last, with his eyes open wide,
The poor owl died !
He died ; but some say it's true That, when stars are dimpling the blue, And the daisies are beaded with dew,
Out of that darksome vale,
Each night, comes a hollow wail.
'Tis the ghost of the poor old owl, In his monkish cloak and cowl,
With the same big eyes and scowl,
Crying, the woodland through,
Tu-zhit, tu-whoo, tu-who-o-o!

BUSINESS NOTICES.
We direct attention to the advertisement, i4th page, of the "Concise Imperial Dictionary." It is our intention to handle this Dictionary in connection with the Journal, and we offer it in the best binding, and the Educational Journal for one year, both for $\$ 5.50$, plus 14 cents for postage. Subscribers who are paid in advance may deduct the amount they paid for one year, send the balance, and have the book at once.

We desire to repeat our request that Inspectors and Secretaries of Associations send us programmes of their forthcoming Conventions as soon as issued. We desire to make announcements of such Conventions, with somewhat fuller particulars than may be found on a Departmental list. Moreover, as this list contains only the names of Inspectorates in which Teachers' Instisutes are held, a great many Conventions of Teachers, not being upon the list, are unknown to us, and unannounced. Give us an opportunity to make your operations known to the whole body of Teachers, all of whom take an interest in what concerns the profession. Also, please send us a summary of proceedings.

## Editorial.

TORONTO, NOVEMBER 1 , 1888.

## A NEW CHILDREN'S PAPER.

$W_{E}$ are sure that our readers will welcome the announcement of a new Canadian boys' and girls' paper. For if such announcement be not in the precise line of an educational subject, it is certainly one of great interest both to teachers and to their pupils. To supply at a low rate an entertaining and instructive and well-illustrated children's paper, published in their own country, has long been a mooted problem. The publishers of the Educational Journal, considering that such a paper would be naturally related to that which they already furnish to the teachers, have undertaken the work. A sample of the first number will soon be mailed to all of the teachers in this province, as well as to all inspectors and other friends of education. If its aim be to entertain and instruct the children, by providing them with stories, pictures, puzzles, and other matter of an unquestionably high-class character, the publishers feel sure the teachers will not see it fail. But without their hearty cooperation fail it must ; for no expensive canvassing could be done at the very low price proposed. Those who take the slight trouble to form school clubs will be rewarded by the pleasure afforded the children; besides which, such premiums as could be afforded at such a figure are offered for the service. We ask our friends to look for the sample, and to give us their opinion of the enterprise, together with their assurance of a kind co-operation and support. Such co-operation will entail no labor beyond what most teachers will consider a pleasure for the sake of the boys and girls under their charge; but at the same time it is indispensable to the success of such a paper.

## EDUCATIONAI LESSONS FROM LIFE.

If it is "greatly wise to talk with our past hours," crystallizing and treasuring up the teachings of our own experience, it is no less the part of wisdom to study the records of such other lives as have proved by genuine success that their
work was founded on right principles and carried on by wise methods. Such a life and such a work were those of the late Rev. Edward Thring, the "second founder" of the Uppingham School in England.
It is the purpose of this article to cull from the most interesting account of his work in the September Century Magazine two or three practical lessons of great value to educators of all ranks. We need not stay to inquire how far these principles were original with Mr. Thring, and how far the same discoveries and deductions have been made by others. Certainly very few have ever put them to so good use as he.

Perhaps, however, we should stay long enough to state, for the information of those who may not be familiar with it, the fact that when Mr. Thring took charge of the Uppingham School, twenty-five boarders and five or six boys from the village, constituted the material with which he had to work, and that when he left it after thirty two years of work, the school had been, "in open competition with foundations of enormous wealth and fame, lifted from its place as a local grammar school, into the very front rank of English public schools," with numbers limited only by his conviction that more could not be admitted without some lowering of the lofty standard of mental and moral discipline which it was with him a matter of conscience to maintain.

The first and fundamental educational principle upon which Mr. Thring's wonderful success was built, was the simple one "that every boy, stupid and clever alike, should have a fair chance and should be really trained." "Mr. Thring claims," says Mr. Parkin, the writer of the Century article, "that no school, however great its prestige, numbers, wealth, or its list of prize winners, can be called a good school, or even an honest school, unless it makes this a first condition of its work." But surely a principle which sounds so like an axiom of educational morals, must be generally recognized and acted upon. Mr. Parkin evidently does not think so, for he says that the principle "fully accepted and acted upon would revolutionize most of the schools in England, and probably most of those in America." We leave it to those who know the inner life of our Canadian schools, especially the High Schools, to judge whether they, or any of them, are of the number of those that would fail under this crucial test. We may merely observe, and the remark is too obvious to need argument, that the influence of all prizes and scholarships, whether offered by the school itself, or given on examination by some outside authority, works directly and powerfully against the faithful application of this principle in the work of the school. So long as the reputation of the school, not to say the retention of its masters, depends upon the result of a competition between a few of its best pupils and those of other institutions, a premium is put upon giving special advantages to special pupils, which must, at the very least, subject the virtue of the masters to a very severe test.

Two other rules, or laws, which are all to which we can now refer, were resultsor corollaries of the foregoing principle of justice, but are nevertheless of the highest practical importance. The first was fixing a strict limit to the size of each class. Mr. Thring fixed the maximum at about twenty. Most teachers of experience will agree that this is high enough, and would be inclined to prefer less to more. This maximum was large enough, in the opinion of Mr. Thring, to give the stimulus of numbers and competition; and was not too large, if the class was properly graded to prevent individual attention and training. No ${ }^{\prime}$ doubt the right maximum would rise and fall with the capacity of the individual teacher. Our own experience, not only personal, but in connection with a considerable number and variety of fellow-workers, would lead us to prefer for the ordinary teacher not less than about ten, nor much more than fifteen, as the size of the class from which the best individual results might be expected. But if this be so, what shall be said of classes of forty, or fifty, or even more, which unless our impressions are happily wrong, are sometimes to be found in our public schools.

The other point concerns boarding schools and colleges only, but for such it is of the very first importance. It was the outcome of the same principle of individual training applied in the sphere of morals, and reduced to a rule for the governance of boarding arrangements. Mr. Thring, most wisely, as we think, and our conclusion in this case, too, is based upon considerable observation and experience, rejected every thing which savored of the old " barrack methods," still too common in our higher institutions, under which students are herded together in large buildings, with little domestic supervision and almost without opportunity for seclusion. We cannot do better here than to quote at some length from the account before us.
" Numbers are necessary for a great school, and contact with his fellows is essential to a boy's getting the full advantage of public school life; but unwieldy numbers make discipline difficult and training impossible, while unchecked contact with a mass of thoughtless natures breaks some characters, even though it strengthens others. At Uppingham the number of boys in a single house is restricted to thirty. This enables the master and mistress of such a house to take a personal interest in each boy, and to surround all with something of the refining and humanizing influences of home. As the houses are intended to be homes, they are not grouped together in a block or quadrangle, but are built separately, each with grounds of its own, and with such surroundings as the taste of the house-master suggests or his means allow. A visitor misses at Uppingham the imposing blocks of buildings which characterize other great schools, but in the eleven handsome villas scattered within a quarter of a mile of the main school buildings he sees something far better adapted to the training of young lives."

The advantages of this arrangement are manifold. Many of them will readily suggest themselves to thoughtful educators. Closely connected with this system is a further safeguard which, simple enough in itself, is of the utmost
importance as an aid in character training. " Each boy in Uppingham has a study of his own-intentionally made quite small, usually about five feet by six-which is meant to be a real sanctum, a little home, where he can be alone when he wishes, either for study or for that retirement which boys, as well as men, need at intervals in order to collect anew their moral forces during the rough struggles and the temptations of daily life.

We may return to this interesting subject and point out other excellent features of the Uppingham system in another issue. We are deeply impressed with the practical wisdom of the whole scheme, and would commend it to the careful study of all those who may have to do with the founding of new schools and colleges. The buildings of Victoria, under the federation plan, are, if we have not misunderstood, to be constructed somewhat on this principle. We have little doubt that what may have been decided on partly as a matter of economy will be commended by future experience as in harmony with the best educational principles. The removal of Upper Canada College would have afforded a fine opportunity for the Educa. tion Department to try the Uppingham system in the kind of institution for which it is specially adapted. Many friends of the college will regret that it is to be rebuilt on the old plan, instead of that which is pretty certain to be the prevailing method of the future.

## Literary Notes.

Something new in the field of literary criticism is Dr. W. C. Wilkinson's review of Goethe's "Faust," in the October Homiletic Revieze. In opposition to the long accepted verdict of the literary world, Dr. Wilkinson denies that "Faust" is a great work. On the other hand, he undertakes to show that it is an "ignoble poem," and its theme "irredeemably base." If admirers of Goethe take up the gauntlet, we may expect to see a lively battle of the critics.

During the ensuing school year six new numbers, comprising about 600 pages of the best and purest literature, will be added to the Riverside Literature Series (published monthly from October to April inclusive, January excepted, at fifteen cents a number, subscription price eighty cents, by Houghton, Mifflin \& Co., Boston). The series will contain complete essays, poems, and stories selected from the writings of Charles Dudley Warner, Longfellow, Lowell, Hawthorne, and other authors.

Education for October contains, among its ten or twelve thoughtful articles on educational subjects, valuable papers on "Methods of Study in English Literature," "Philosophy in Colleges and Universities," and "Discipline the Price of Freedom." They are respectively by Dr. Shepherd, Dr. Harris, and Dr. Lowrey. Miss Ida M. Gardener, whose papers on educational methods are usually suggestive and valuable, contributes "Outline Notes on the Renaissance and the Reformation."

The articles on "The Circle of the Sciences," now appearing in the current volume of The Chautauquan, by Prof. A. P. Coleman, Ph.D.,
of Victoria University, fully sustain the author's high reputation as a popular writer on scientific subjects. In the November number he takes up Physical. Science, touching briefly on its various branches. Another article of practical value appears in the same number, by Edward Everett Hale, on "Economic Uses of the Telegraph and the Telephone."

In his recently published essays on "The Spirit of Beauty," Professor Henry W. Parker develops the following theory: "All the many characters of the beautiful in the universe are, and must be, the outworking of a free spiritual power; they are such because they meet our spiritual want, address our spiritual nature, and this in its entirety as intellectual, emotional, and freely volitional ; their ultimate meaning is apparent and they are not even intelligible except as analogous to the working of the human spirit in its creations."
"The Fatal Illness of Frederick the Noble" is reviewed at some length in The Critic of October 20. Disappointment is expressed that Dr. Mackenzie should have made the book, not a purely scientific history of the Emperor's case, but a defense of his own course of action, when no such vindication was required. The reviewer, himself a skilled surgeon, "has had opportunities of seeing the leading throat specialists, in this country as well as in London, Paris, Berlin, and Vienna, operate for the removal of laryngeal growths, but he has met with no one who dis played the wonderful manipulative expertness with instruments that Sir Morell has acquired." To his view, "the case of the Emperor presented nothing unique, nothing even that was unusual or at all out of the common."

## Contributors Department.

## LEGENDS OF THE WABANAKI.

BY PROFESSOR T. H. RAND, M.A., D.C.L.
The EdUCATIONAL JOURNAL calls attention in its last issue to Crawford's translation of the Kalevala, and invites its readers to compare certain portions of Longfellow's Hiawatha with extracts taken from the translation referred to. The ordinary reader would doubtless conclude that there was abundant warrant for the suggestion of plagiarism on the part of the American poet. I wish to call attention to the fact that there is some ground for thinking that the resemblances between Hiawatha and portions of the Edda, Beowulf, the Kalevala, and Norse sagas, are due to the fact of a common origin. Longfellow referred to the tales of the Chippewas as forming an Indian Edda. In this connection it may be of interest to readers of the Journal to note the statements of Charles G. Leland in his "Algonquin Legends of New England," published by Houghton, Mifflin \& Co. The Algonquin is the most widely extended of the six great divisions of the Indians of North America. The St. Francis Indians (the "Abenaki,") the Penobscot and the Passamaquoddy tribes of Maine, and the Malicetes and Micmacs of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, belong to this division. They call themselves the Wabanaki, a word intimating that they live in the east, or near to the rising sun. Mr. Leland's book con-
mac, Penobscot, and Passamaquoddy Indians. I append a few extracts from the introductory chapter of his book:-
"Strangest of all, this American mythology of the North, which has been the very last to become known to American readers, is literally so nearly like Edda itself that, as this work fully proves, there is hardly a song in the Norse collection which does not contain an incident found in the Indian poem-legends, while in several there are many such coincidences. Thus in the Edda we are told that the first birth on earth was that of a giant girl and boy, begotten by the feet of a giant and born from his armpit. In the Wabanaki legends the first birth was of Glooscap, the good principle, and Mälsum, the Wolf, or evil principle. The Wolf was born from his mother's armpit. * * We pass on only twelve lines in the Edda (Vafthrudnismal, 36) to be told that the wind is caused by a giant in eagle's plumage, who sits on a rock far in the north " at the end of heaven." This is simply and literally the Wochowsen, or Windblower of the Wabanaki, word for word. **** It is very remarkable indeed that the only two religions in the world which possess a devil in whom mischief predominates should alsogive to each the same adventures, if both did not come from the same source. In the Hymiskvida of the Edda, two giants go to fish for whales, and then have a contest which is actually one of heat against cold. This is so like a Micmac legend in every detail that about twenty lines are word for word the same in the Norse and Indian. * * * There are actually more incidents taken from the Edda than there are from lower sources. I can only account for this by the fact that, as the Indians tell me, all these tales were once poems, handed down from generation to generation, and always sung."
Mr. Leland suggests that since the Eskimo once ranged as far south as Massachusetts-since they did not reach Greenland till the fourteenth century-since they had for centuries intimate relations with Scandinavians, and since the Waba naki even yet mingle with them, it would be marvellous if the Norsemen had not left among them traces of their tales or of their religion. The legends of the Wabanaki exhibit a more elevated mythology than that which has reached us through either the Chippewa or Hiawatha legends, and it seems altogether probable that the legends of the West have suffered deterioration in their transmission from Wabanaki sources.

We are directed by the Education Department to state that the new High School Arithmetic will not be ready for the July examinations of 1888.9 . The text-books at present authorized in this subject will be the only ones that will be required by the pupils for this examination.

Beauty is God's Handwriting, a wayside sacra-ment.-Milton.
WITh children we must mix gentleness with firmness.-Spurgeon.
GoD never had a house of prayer, but Satan had chapel there. - De Foe.

## School-Room Methods.

## COMPOSITIONS.

CONTINUED.
OUTLINES.-All original written work should be done according to some definite plan. At first the plan or outline may be provided by the teacher. By degrees, however, the pupils should be led to make their own outlines, which should be submit ted to the teacher for approval and correction. For the younger pupils the outlines should be very simple, scarcely tnore in some cases than two or three questions to be answered in entire sentences; as, for example, in describing an object the teacher may say: What are the parts? What is the shape of each part? What is the use of each part? Or in writing upen any material, as wood or paper, the pupils may answer the questions: Where obtained ? How prepared ? For what used? Varieties?
In giving an object lesson, the teacher or one of the pupils should write upon the blackboard the principal facts as they are discovered. These statements will constitute material out of which the composition may be written. Frequently ite is well for the pupils to analyze a short sketch for the purpose of making an outline.

The following outlines will suggest to teachers what may be given to, and required from pupils as a guide to their writing upon simple subjects :-

| Any natural production (as salt) | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { 1. Qualities. } \\ \text { 2. Uses. } \\ \text { 3. Where, when, and how obtained. } \end{array}\right.$ |
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|  | $\left(\begin{array}{l} \text { I. Qualities. } \\ \text { 2. Uses. } \end{array}\right.$ |
| Any manufactured article (as glass) | 3. Kinds. $\text { 4. How made }\left\{\begin{array}{l} a . \text { Materials. } \\ b . \\ c . \\ \text { Order of mana. } \\ \text { facture. } \end{array}\right.$ |
| Any animal | $\left\{\begin{array} { l }  { \text { I. } } \end{array} \text { Size and covering. } \begin{array} { l l }  { \text { 2. } } & { \text { Parts } } \end{array} \left\{\begin{array}{ll} \text { b. } & \text { Description. } \\ \text { c. } & \text { Uses. } \end{array} \text { 3. Habits. } \quad .\right.\right.$ |
| Biograpy | (1. Time of birth. <br> 2. Circumstances of parents. <br> 3. Events of boyhood or girlhood. <br> 4. Education. <br> 5. Subsequent events in order of occurrence. <br> 6. Leading traits of character. |
| Any plant | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { 1. Name and general appearance. } \\ \text { 2. Parts : } \\ \text { a. Root } \\ \text { b. Stem } \\ \begin{array}{l}\text { c. Leaves } \\ \text { d. Flowers } \\ \text { e. Fruit }\end{array} \\ \text { 3. Uses. } \\ \text { 4. Where found. }\end{array}\right.$ |
| Places seen | (1. Location. <br> 2. Surroundings. <br> 3. Parts or divisions. <br> 4. What is contained or produced. <br> 5. Objects of interest. <br> 6. Reminiscences. |
| A journey (real or imaginary) | (1. Time and place of starting. <br> 2. Intended destination. <br> 3. The route taken. <br> 4. Mode of travelling. <br> 5. Description of country. <br> 6. Objects of interest on the way. <br> 7. Description of place visited. <br> 8. Manners and customs of people. <br> g. Incidents and anecdotes. |

It is well sometimes to give in the outlines some topics which will stimulate thought and investigation. Care should be taken that the information furnished be not too extended. The following outline* is an example of what may be given to pupils in advanced and grammar grades:WINDS.

1. Beneficial on land, as they-
a. Carry moisture. Where from ?
b. Equalize the temperature. How?
*From Intelligence Chicago.
c. Purify the air. How? Name places benefited.

## d. Càrry seed. What kinds? How a benefit?

$e$. Pump water and grind flour. How and
where?
2. Beneficial on the sea, as they-
a. Aid in navigation. How?
b. Produce ocean currents. How? Value of the currents?
3. Injuries on land by-

## a. Hurricanes. Illustrate.

b. Carrying seed. Illustrate.
c. Spreading diseases. Explain how.
4. Injuries on the sea by-
a. Cyclones, etc.
b. Hindering navigation. How ?

A few pointed, suggestive questions upon a subject when it is assigned, often give direction and method to the work of the pupils, as-

## RAILROADS.

1. When first built and where?
2. How do they benefit western farmers and eastern manufacturers in our country ?
3. How do they aid the poor?
4. How do they promote the settlement of new countries?
5. Do they affect the value of the land?
6. Illustrate their value in carrying news, merchandise and people? -Prince.

## A METHOD IN ARITHMETIC.

BY THOMAS DOWLER.
The eye furnishes a more direct, and therefore a quicker means of communication with the brain, or intellect, than the ear. Therefore in class drill in the operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of both integers and tractions, greater rapidity may be attained by appealing to the eye alone. I have used the following method for several years with gratifying resclis. When pupils have become familiar with the meaning of the signs $+-X \div$, place those signs in a row with various numerical quantitiee under each (suited to the ability of the class) These quantities may be either abitract or concrete, whole or fractional. Then point in succession to the quantities which you wish the class to work with. You may direct the scholars to raise hands (or to speak) in answer, when you remove the pointer from the board; or upon any convenient signal, and the teacher is thus relieved of the necessity of speaking whilst the calculations are in progress.
illustration.
(I) Teacher points in succession to the quantities which I have indexed, $1,2,3$, etc., to 14 , and as the pointer touches each quantity the scholars simultaneously and mentally perform the operations denoted by the sign which stands above it. In this example the result is $6 \frac{1}{2}$.

Examples may be multiplied ad infinitum.

## Correspondence.

## A TEACHER'S ADVICE.

Te the Editor of the Educational Journal.
DEAR JOUKNAL,-After all the hard, cold cynicisms about "Advice, gratis," I have faith to believe that words of friendly counsel to young teachers are like seed cast into good and fruitful ground. When I first took charge of an ungraded
school with I 34 punils on the roll, I was hungry for school with 134 punils on the roll, I was hungry for good advice, and often longed for some friend who had passed through the discipline of experience to give me the benefit of some of his dearly-bought
lessons. Dr. Ryerson's lessons. Dr. Ryerson's Journal of Education I greedily read for light and guidance, and often gathered hints that were invaluable to me in my daily work. Perhaps the most painful event during my first year, notwithstanding a first-class certifi-
cate duly executed, was the discovery that I did not know my native language sufficiently well to teach thoroughly the lowest class in my school. I found, to my great surprise, that neither myself nor my previous teachers knew accurately the First Book of Lessons. The kind friend who directed me to Fowler's English Language did me a lifelong service in the space of one minute; and now, my wish is to do a similar service to some one that will this year go out in the noble young army of teachers and begin the task of teaching elementary English.
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Teacher.

## Educational Meetings.

WEST HURON TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.
The West Huron Teachers' Association met in the Model School, Goderich, on September 27, the President in the chair. Owing to the small attendance, the only business transacted was the appointment of committees. On reassembling at r. 30 p.m., minutes of last session at Exeter, and the morning session, were read and confirmed. Moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Delgaty, that Messrs. Kilty and Nevin be appointed a committee to assist the Secretary in preparing a report of the proceedings of the Association for the press. Carried. The roll was then called by Inspector
Tom, and sixty-two teachers answer Tom, and sixty-two teachers answered to their names. The Business Committee then reported that owing to the fact that Dr. McLellan has to leave early in the morning, it is deemed advisable to allow him the whole afternoon for the discussion of his subjects. This was agreed to, and the Dr. then took up the subject of Psychology, and its relation to teaching, dealing particularly with the raw materials of intellectual development under three heads, viz., sensation, interest, and
impulse, showing that these in their order form the bases of intellect, emotion, and will. The lecstyle, was full of terse and pointed remarks, and was highly appreciated by the teachers. The President then gave his address on
"the teacher as a public servant."
The address was carefully prepared, and dealt chiefly with the following statements, viz.

Ist. The teacher is a more efficient officer than any other public servant.

2nd. His work is important, as the life of a nation depends upon its intelligence; as obedience to laws is carefully inculcated.

3rd. The teacher's tenure of office, especially in rural districts, is too insecure, and the present law regarding superannuations very unsatisfactory.
The address was listened to very attentively and well received. The Secretary then drew attention to the lecture and entertainment to be given in the opera house in the evening, and committees were appointed to carry out the arrangements. Dr. McLellan then took up Phonic Reading. This subject proved very instructive, and was very fully discussed, all the teachers being most anxious to pursue the best methods of getting the young pupils to recognize in the quickest time sound signs. This being recognized as one of the most difficult things in school work, considerable cross-firing was indulged in, and no doubt much good will result from the discussion. At about $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. the Association adjourned, to meet in the evening at the appointed hour, and in the morning at 8.20 . The evening session of the Institute was held in the grand opera house. Dr. McLellan delivered his excellent and eloquent lecture on "English Literature and its Value in Education."

SEPTEMBER 28 TH .
The Association met in the Model School pur uant to adjournment, the President in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Embury. After routine,G. W. Holman gave a verbal report of the proceedings of the last P. T. Association, to which he was the appointed delegate. After giving a report of the matters discussed, he proceeded to give his impressions as to these various topics. On the whole he reported that in his estimation the Association was improving in the direction of usefulness. The roll was then called, and sixty-nine answered to their names. The election of officers was proceeded with and resulted as follows, viz. :-President, A. Embury ; Vice-President, Miss M. G. Robertson; Sec. Treasurer, G. W. Holman ; Executive Committee, Messrs. H. I. Strang, R. E. Brown, Thomas Gregory, and Misses Murray and Halse. Mr. Delgaty then introduced the subject of Arithmetic in Public Schools. He strongly advocated the principle teaching instead of rules. Too much attention is frequently paid to rules and not enough to principles. He held that arithmetic should be taught in the morning, and from blackboard, not from the book. The discussion then became gencral, some ta king of grammar and composition, and others confining their remarks to arithmetic. The following took part in the discussions:Messrs. Kilty, Johnston, Embury, Strang, Nevin, Brown, and Inspector Tom, most of whom agreed in the main with what Mr. Delgaty had said upon the subject of arithmetic. Mr. Strang thought that arithmetic was generally made too prominent a subject in our schools, that it was rather overrated and not sufficiently practical. In teaching composition Mr. Strang thought it better to have a good deal of oral drill; that the giving of abstract subjects to young pupils to write a composition upon should be avoided. The reproduction of the same thought in as many different ways as possible would produce the best results in language lessons. Rote work should be avoided as much as possible in grammar, and the memorizing of cumbersome definitions was a serious error in teaching this subject. The discussion on this subject was then concluded, and Miss Burritt illustrated her method of teaching and conducting exercises in simple song singing, by presenting to the Association a class of small girls and boys, ranging from seven to ten, who sang some beautiful selections The teachers were well pleased with the exercise, and spoke in much favor of Miss Burritt's method It was then moved by Mr. S. P. Halls, seconded
by Inspector Tom, that the usual fee be paid to he caretaker of Goderich Model School. Carried. The Association then adjourned to meet at $1.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. On reassembling the minutes of the previous session were read and adopted. Mr. R. E. Brown then introduced a discussion on "Religious Exercises and Good Manners." The discussion was further carried on by Messrs. Duff, Tom, Grant, Embary, and Strang, the general opinion prevailing among those who took part in the discussion that too much responsibility is thrown upon the teacher in this respect, and that where a lack of moral training was manifest, the home influence and general surroundings were in a great measure responsible. Still it was the duty of teachers to exercise all due vigilance in this respect, and, as far as possible, check all improprieties in speech or action. Mr. C. Seager, Mayor of the town of Goderich, being present, was invited to address the teachers, and did so in a neat speech. The Inspector called the roll, and seventy teachers answered to their names. The auditors then presented their report, which was adopted. Mr. Embury then introduced the discussion on "School Management and Discipline," dealing more particularly with the requisite qualifications of a successful teacher. He said that such a teacher should possess tact not only in the management of the school as a whole, but in dealing with individual pupils, for all pupils did not require the application of the same principles of discipline. A properly qualified teacher should also be a person of culture, have a large amount of sympathy, and needed constant preparation. Mr. J. $P$. Nevin, in continuing the discussion, dealt chiefly upon the organization and order of schools. He held that in rural mixed schools more difficulties presented themselves than could possibly appear in graded schools in cities and towns, but by a judicious application of the principles laid down by the previous speaker, these difficulties could be overcome. The time of adjournment having ar rived, the discussion on this subject was closed. Inspector Tom then addressed the teachers for a few moments, urging upon them the necessicy of making their half-yearly returns promptly, as the law authorized him to deprive any school of its grant should the half-yearly report be delayed beyond fifteen days from the close of the school term.
After the customary votes of thanks, the Asso
ciation adjourned to meet at call of Executive. G. W. Holman, Sec.-Treasurer, Elimville.

## Book Reviews, Notices, Etc.

I. Goldsmith's "The Traveller," and "The Deserted Village," edited by Arthur Barrett, B. A. 2. Shakespeare's "Richard III.," edited by C. H. Tawney, M.A.
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Hill, D.C.L. Oxford : Clarendon Press.
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United States History and Constitution, by W. W. Rupert, C.E. Boston : Ginn \& Co.
This book ought to be of great use in schools where American history is studied. The first portion of the book, giving topics for consideration, is especially convenient.
Essentials of Geography, for $1888-89$, by G. C.
Fisher. Boston: New England Publishing Co.
Tbis little annual has a good object. What teacher of geography has not often felt the need of a book that would annually advise of change of government, territory annexed or lost, etc. Hitherto the only means of keeping posted was to secure every January, Appleton's Annual Cyclopaedia, Whittaker's Almanac, and a few others. These
books are, however, somewhat expensive, and be sides, the information needed had to be searched for, sometimes in vain. The teacher can now easily keep pace with events. The book is, however, somewhat too general in its character, and aims at too much. What we want is not a general geography, but a record of geographical events and use'ul information extracted from books of travel and exploration.
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## EXAMINATIONS.

Examinations rightly conducted are good, though they can never test the moral qualities, the action of the mind, and the motives of the soul. If the examinations are prepared by the teacher, as they should be, every lesson should be one essential part in the term's work, the review should be simply a broad outlook over the ground gone over, and the aim of examination to find out how the child 8 mind has grown in the power of thought, observation and judgment. All other examinations make the means the end, and do more harm than good. -N. Y. School Journal.

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