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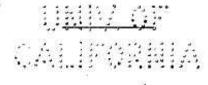
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## PREFACE.

THIS book, containing more than six thousand test-words for spelling and pronunciation, is designed to supply a want long felt by school-examiners, teachers, and advanced pupils in all grades of schools.

The book will be found convenient by teachers and superintendents in selecting words for tests in examination, as well as for imparting instruction in both orthography and orthoepy.

It will be found convenient by such others also as are desirous of spelling correctly, and of pronouncing our language according to the best usage of cultured Englishspeaking people.

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comprehensive. They are inserted merely that the meaning of the word may not be mistaken. If a more critical definition is desired, the student should refer to the dictionary.

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## PART I.

## TEST-WORDS FOR SPELLING.

Ab er'rance, a deviation from truth.	Ab struse', difficult to under-
Ab er ra'tion, a wandering.	A bu'ti lon, a kind of shrub.
A bet'tor, one who abets; an accomplice.	A byss', a bottomless depth. Ab ys sin'i an, a native of Ab-
A bey'ance (-bā-), expectation.	yssinia.
Ab lu'tion, the act of washing.	A ca'ci a (-kā'shī-), a shrub.
Ab nor'mal, irregular.	A cad'e my, a school.
Ab o rig'i nes (-rij-), the first inhabitants.	Ao cel'er ate (ak sel'-), to has- ten.
A brade', to rub off.	Ac cep'tant, one who accepts.
A bra'dant, that which abrades.	Ao cess'i ble, easy of access.
A bridg'ment (-brij-), a short- ening.	Ac cil'mate, to habituate to a climate.
Ab'scess (-ses), a collection of pus.	Ac oli'ma tize, same as Accli- mate.
Ab sois'sion (-sizh-), the act of	Ao oliv'i ty, a slope.
cutting off.	Ac com'pa ni ment, that which
Ab'sence, a being away.	accompanies.
Ab sinthe' (-sinth), a cordial of	Ac com'plice, an assistant.
brandy and wormwood.	Ac cor di on, a musical instru-
Ab ste'mi ous, sparing in diet.	ment.
Ab'sti nence, the act of abstain- ing.	Ac count'ant, one skilled in ac- counts.

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Ac cre'tion, a natural increase. : A'er o naut, a balloonist. Ao orue', to increase. Ac cu'mu late, to collect. A ceph'a lous (-sef-), without a head. A cerb'i ty (-serb-), harshness. A ces'cent (-ses-), turning sour. A ce'tous (-se-), having a sour taste. Ache  $(\bar{a}k)$ , to suffer pain. A chieve', to accomplish. A cio'u lar (-sik-), needleshaped. A cid'u lent (-sid-), sour. Ac knowl'edg ment, owning; avowal. Ac'me, the summit. A coustics, the science of sounds. Ac qui esce', to concur. Ac quit'tal, a setting free. A cu'men (-kū-), quickness of perception. \*Ad'di ble, that may be added. A dieu', a farewell. Ad'i pose, fatty. Ad ja'cent, lying near. Ad mis'si ble, worthy of being admitted. Ad o les'cent, growing. A do'nis, an elegant young man. Ad soi ti'tious (-st-), additional. Ad van ta'geous, profitable. Ad ven ti'tious, accidental. Ad'ver sa ry, an enemy. Ad ver tise', to make known. Ad vis'a ble, prudent. Ad vi'so ry, containing advice. A e'ri al, pertaining to air.

Af'fa ble, courteous. Af'fe rent, conducting. Af fl'ance, to betroth. Af flux'ion, flowing to. Af fright', to alarm. Af'ghan (-gan-), a kind of blanket. Aft'er math, a second crop of grass. Ag'ate, a kind of quartz. Ag'gran dize, to exalt. Ag gran'dize ment, exaltation. Ag'gre gate, to bring together. Ag grieve', to afflict. A ghast' (-gast), struck with amazement. A gra'ri an, wild. A'gue, chilliness. Aid'-de-camp, an officer assistant. Aisle (il), a passage-way. Al a mode', according to the fashion. Al be'it, although. Al bu'men, a white nourishing substance found in almost all food. Al cal'de, a Spanish judge. Al'che mist (-ke-), a chemist. Al'co hol, the spirituous element of liquor. mathematical Al'ge bra, 8 science. Al'ien (al-), foreign. A lign', to form in line. Al'i ment, food. Al'ka line, pertaining to alkali. Al le ga'tion, affirmation.

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Al lege's ble (-lej-), that may | Anch'o rite, a hermit. An'cient (an-), old. be alleged. An'oil la ry, subordinate. Al le'gi ance, loyalty. A nem'o ne, the wind-flower. Al'leys, passage-ways or streets. An'eu rism, a soft, pulsating Al li ga'tion, a tying together. All'spice, the berry of the tamor. An'gli ciem, an English idiom. pimento. An'i line, a color. Ally', a confederate. An i mos'l ty, enmity. A lys'sum, a kind of flower. An'ise, a kind of plant. Al lies', confederates. An ni'hl late, to reduce to no-Al'mond (a'mund), a nut. thing. Al'oe (al'o), a plant. An'nu al, yearly. Al pac's, a kind of cloth. An'nu lar, ring-shaped. Al'ter, a communion-table. An'o dyne, stilling pain. Al'ter, to change. A noint', to spread over. Am a teur', one who has a taste A nom's lous, irregular. for the arts. A non'y mous, nameless. Al've o lar, pertaining to the A'n't, a contraction of am not. sockets of the teeth. An te ced'ent, preceding. Am'ber gris (-grees), gray am-An'thra cite, a kind of coal. ber. An'ti mony, a metal. Am'bro type, a kind of picture. An tip'o des, those on opposite Am'e thyst, a kind of quartz. sides of the globe. A mor'phous, without regular An tique' (-teck), ancient. form. An tig'ui ty (-fik'wi-), ancient Am phib'i ous, having two natimes. tures. An tith e sis, contrast. A myg'da loid, a kind of rock. Ap'en nine, a ridge of the Alps. An a bap'tist, one who denies Ap'erture, an opening. the validity of infant bap-Aph'o rism (df-), an axiom. tism. A poo'a lypse, disclosure. An ach'ro nism (-ak-), an error A poo'ry phal, fictitious. in computing time. A pol'o gize, to make an apol-A nal'o gous, bearing resemogy. blance. A pol'o gy, an excuse. A nal'y sis, a dissolving. An's lyze, to resolve into ele- A pos'ta sy, a desertion of one's principles. ments. An'arch y, want of government. A pos'tro phe, the mark used

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