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## PREFACE.

IN adding a new book to the large number of methods for teaching Latin to beginners, the authors feel that in many respects they have improved upon the text-books already in use.

Exceptions to rules have, for the most part, been purposely omitted, since the aim is to teach the essentials of the language; the more particular points can best be acquired in connection with the reading of the classics which will follow. Many of the sentences are original, while those of more complex construction have been taken from classic authors; all have been chosen with the aim to interest the student, as well as to illustrate the rules of syntax.

The words which make up the vocabulary are such as will prove to be of value in later study. Five review lessons in vocabulary have been introduced.

The treatment of the subjunctive mode has been withheld until after the indicative of the four conjugations has been learned. The uses of the subjunctive are introduced in eminently logical order. The discussion of conditional sentences by means of a diagram is a new feature. The treatment of the non-finite verb forms is at once most economical and clear.

The question of the quantity of vowels has received very careful attention, and the best of authorities have been consulted and compared. The usage which, on the whole, has seemed nearest the original usage has been adopted in every case.

The fables and other stories which are commonly found in other beginners' Latin books are here omitted, since ample material for reading is supplied in the text.

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