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### EXPLANATORY.

A few years ago a special effort was made to increase the efficiency of instruction in language in our school. Specimens of birds, minerals, and plants were placed in the hands of pupils. They were directed to examine these objects carefully and give an oral or a written account of what they saw and learned. This plan of instruction worked so well that both teachers and pupils became very enthusiastic in collecting specimens of natural history. This effort commenced in 1877, has resulted in the formation of a valuable school museum, for an account of which see summary.

In 1879 the teachers purchased a few standard books on education and laid the foundation for a professional library. Inquiry was made as to the best books for teachers. The late Hon. J. D. Philbrick wrote as follows: "I should advise you to purchase Dr. Barnard's Journal of Education, and turn over its pages by day and night." Supt. Eliot of Boston said: "Biographies, not only of teachers, but of scholars, men and women, literary, scientific, and artistic are among the very best material for a teacher's library."

Another writer said: "A wise teacher reasons as a woman does when she buys a sewing-machine, or a farmer does when he buys a mowing-machine. He avails himself of the thoughts and discoveries of others on education. Hence the importance of educational publications; they are certainly the cheapest, readiest, and surest means a teacher can employ to keep himself and his school up in front. To be a first-class teacher, you must know what the most skillful of your profession would do if in your place."