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PREFACE

This book aims to give a working knowledge of elementary algebra. It supposes in the pupil such knowledge of arithmetic as is usually obtained before entrance to the highest grade in the grammar school. It introduces multiplication immediately after addition, and teaches factoring while teaching multiplication. It insures by this arrangement a saving of time, accuracy in the use of signs, and an early familiarity with the structure of those expressions which form the staple It treats the equation as derived from the problem. It leads to the problem by exercises in expression and in forming equalities. It helps the pupil to become familiar with problems of the ordinary types by means of exercises in their construction. Its purpose throughout is to tell the pupil little that he can see, and to help him to see by employing welldirected questions. It is a teaching book, useful to any beginner.

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