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The Editor of the CLASSICAL REVIEW will be glad to receive short paragraphs (or materials for such paragraphs) upon classical topics of current interest. These should reach him as early as possible in the month preceding the publication of the REVIEW.

Prof. Andrew A. F. West whose statistics of the growth of classical studies in America appeared in our last issue reviews the general educational situation in the *Atlantic Monthly* of December. He believes that Greek will make accelerating progress in secondary schools. His words upon the relation of Greek and Latin may be quoted, as they present a familiar but not always remembered truth with the light of fresh experience.

'Without Greek the demand of Latin for its full integrity cannot be met. Greek is in Latin as French is not in German, or German in French. But Latin is not in Greek. It may be taught with advantage, with great advantage, but without Greek it cannot be taught to the best advantage, because it is cut off from a large range of important illustration and support. This has been seen again and again in our schools. Classes studying Greek and Latin regularly surpass classes studying Latin alone.'

* The restoration of Latin to its former position as a universal language has found a recent advocate in Dr. F. Tönnies of Hamburg. Dr. Tönnies thinks that in 'the resurrection of neo-Latin' may be found a remedy for the mischiefs arising out of the inconsistency and irrationality of 'philosophical terminology,' which all philo-

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sophers deplore. His arguments, which will be found in the January number of *Mind*, are well worthy of attention. But Latin, it is not rash to predict, will not cease to be a dead language until it is taught as a living one.

The standing notice at the head of this page appears in the present issue for the last time. Its omission does not mean that the contributions which it invites will be less welcome than heretofore. On the contrary it is the hope of the editor that the future will furnish more of such contributions than the past.

The editor avails himself of the opportunity which the New Year presents to offer his warmest thanks to the scholars who have offered contributions to the *Classical Review* during the last eighteen months. He regrets that of some of these he has been able to make no use through the remediable omission of the names and addresses of the senders.

At the moment of going to press we hear from Mr. G. D. Kellogg of the discovery of a new fifteenth century manuscript of Catullus in the Vatican Library. Our next issue will contain further particulars.

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