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TESTIMONIALS IN FAVOUR OF ADAIR'S "EXCELSIOR COPY BOOKS."

From JOHN MANSELL, Esq., All Saints Schools, Shrewsbury

Your "Excellor Copy Books," Nos. 9a, 9b, and 9c, I consider very good indeed. The copies are bold and clear, free from blunders, and well adapted to secure a very desirable style of handwriting.

From WILLIAM COOLING, Esq., Cong School, Tydesley

I have spent some time in examining the Copy Books you sent me. I think the style worked out in the higher numbers is extremely good, and that the student for them a great success. I am so pleased with them that I intend adopting them in my own school.

From R. COOLING, Esq., Head Master, Sacred Heart Schools, St. Helens

My opinion of your "Excellor Copy Books" is that they are admirable in every way. I have used them extensively in my school and recommend them highly.

From R. L. COOLING, Esq., British School, Anleby-in-Makerfield

The additional numbers, viz., 9a, 9b, and 9c, to your "Excellor Copy Books" are excellent, and for acquiring the "Civil Service hand," which so many desire, and at so few attains, they are unique.

From WILLIAM QUINLIRAN, Esq., Maryboro',

I am giving a trial to your Series, and I am confident that if the pupils of National Schools can be got to give anything like a faithful imitation of your series, everything desired in writing would be attained, and our schools thereby increased in popularity.

From JOHN KANE, Esq., The National School, Abbeygara, Co. Longford

Both myself and pupils are delighted with Nos. 9a, 9b, and 9c, and experience a feeling of gratitude that we have at last got an ideal Civil Service Series of Writing.

From T. JAMES, Esq., Head Master British Schools, Misterton, Suffolk

I like them exceedingly well, and shall introduce them into my school at once. I am of opinion that the large and round hand copies of old are useless as having no practical value when acquired, therefore think the whole attention and time of the pupil should be spent upon what is to be of daily use hereafter. This I consider the great aim of your series, while the copy for imitation are also perfect specimens of the art. I shall certainly recommend them.

From W. H. HEMMING, Esq., Huntingdon Street Board School, Nottingham

The "Excellor Copy Books" issued by your firm are, in my opinion, most admirable. The style of the copies is everything one could desire—elegant and bold, and similarly free from superfluous strokes. The use of these books will doubtless facilitate the acquisition of good penmanship in schools, a result not so easily or so commonly achieved as those outside the profession may imagine.

From A. R. EATON, Esq., St. Mary's, Near Liverpool

In my opinion, the series of Copy Books deserves high commendation for their general excellence, and I shall have pleasure in bringing the series under the notice of the Liverpool and District Teachers' Association. Allow me to congratulate you upon this bold departure from that old and ill-advised plan of teaching writing, viz., requiring little fingers to transcribe characters of immense size, as a first lesson and then familiarity with the use of the pen increased, reducing the size till small hand is reached. I believe the series will be highly instrumental in improving the handwriting in Elementary Schools, the letters being correctly shaped, bold and elegant in style, and at the same time entirely free from flourish.

From F. RAMSHAW, Esq., Church Schools, Ballycastle, Northumberland

I have examined the Copy Books, and think them excellent. They are carefully graded, and the letters are formed in such a way as to give a graceful look to the whole line without tempting the pupil to get into a careless running style. I shall introduce them into my school.

From A. A. HAYES, Esq., British School, Leek, Staffs.

I am much pleased with them. Among some dozen kinds with which I am acquainted I think they take the first place.