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*Mental Arithmetic Problems* (W.H. Allen & Co.) is a series of five small and very cheap books by W.T Hoyle, Cloughfold Board School, Lancashire. They cover the whole subject from the First to the Seventh Standard. The exercises are very numerous, practical and short. Explanation, with copious illustration, is given of a large number of useful abbreviated methods. A special section is devoted to the metric system. The introduction of this mode of reckoning into our current calculations would save a year of school life and many youthful tears, but we are yet a very long way from its acceptance by the country.