

speak separately. The same year, Mr C. T. Gould published in Albany, U.S., "The Analytic Guide and Authentic Key to the Art of Shorthand." It went through many editions, the last apparently in 1858; and from this an edition was republished in England.

In 1825 Duncan Macdougall published an "Improved System of Shorthand," which passed through several editions. This was Taylor's system. In 1840 Mr W. B. Templeton published in London and Manchester "Six Lectures on Shorthand, in Taylor's System," while in 1882, Mr Alfred Janes, a well-known member of the London Parliamentary reporting staff, published "Standard Stenography," being "Taylor's Shorthand, Improved and Adapted to modern requirements." In addition to the foregoing, the system has been translated into the French, Italian, and German languages. If we estimate the aggregate circulation of Taylor's system at 100,000 copies, we shall probably be well within the mark. This is exclusive of Odell's and Harding's adaptations of it.

Lewis, J. H.—Mr Lewis published the first edition of his Ready Writer in 1812; another edition in 1815. The next edition I have met with (and I remark the same in Mr Rockwell's Bibliography) is the 20th, without date, but title page slightly altered, issued from the Shorthand Institution, 113 Strand. The next issue I meet with is designated the 95th edition, issued from the same address; and finally the 97th edition, address unchanged. It is an octavo vol. of 172 pages. This is the only instance of a popular shorthand author wherein no trace of intermediate editions is found.

Then there is his Historical Account (already noticed), the first edition of which was published in 1816, by Sharwood, Neely and Jones, Paternoster row, pp. xxiv. and 214, with 17 plates, crown 8vo. Price one guinea. Another edition, really the same book, printed at the same time, but with a new title-page, was published by Simpkins and Marshall, without date, price 12s., pp. 216, crown octavo. I do not know how many impressions constituted an edition of this work. My own copy, which appears to be a first edition, has the following advertisement: "To prevent the Public being imposed upon by any spurious edition of this work, it is published as the Act of Parliament directs; and every genuine copy of it is numbered, signed and sealed by the author's own hand and seal." The number written in plain figures under the seal is 5025, then follows the signature. There has been some question raised regarding the real authorship of this most interesting work. The story is too long to go into here. Mr Lewis's family believe him to have been the author. Does not the "dedication" to Dr Haworth, M.P. throw some light upon the question? The author says: "It is a duty to the public and to myself to bear testimony to the warmth of your friend-
and to the value of those suggestions by which my humble Treatise