of the English does not presuppose a knowledge of the ancient Scents. It is necessary to study a foreign language, in order that we may be more clearly and appropriately fully the peculiar beauties of our own, why not study one of the modern languages which will at the same time serve the purposes above mentioned and be of frequent use to us in the everyday business of life. This certainly seems the most judicious as well as the most economical course. On this whole, the idea that our language, that in which we were brought up and which we learn almost by induction cannot be acquired by the study of languages which were spoken thousands of years ago and which increased civilization and refinement have swept from the face of the earth is as utterly absurd as to be unworthy of serious consideration. But that system of education would necessarily be imperfect which regarded the intellect alone as the object of instruction and the nature of man. And although moral education more appropriately belongs to the domestic fireside, still it cannot safely be neglected in the school room. The subjects to which the attention of the student is directed and the ideas with which his mind is familiarized necessarily influences the formation of his character as well as his qualities of heart as for power of intellect. And such subjects should be presented to him as not only tending to the civilization of his mental faculties but also to the development and refinement of his moral qualities. For this purpose the study of the ancient languages is manifestly unsuitable. For not only does it exert a deleterious influence in the formation of his moral character in that it narrows his mind and excludes the possibility of comprehending views and political, liberal sentiments but its influence is more directly injurious. The ancient Greeks and Romans were held to be unconscious of the existence of a God and knew nothing of the Bible. Their ideas of morality and of the duties and responsibilities of man were narrow and degraded. Their philosophers were superstitious and selfish Thus they