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Elementary Lessons in Physics: Mechanics (Including Hydrostatics) and Light (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Elementary Lessons in Physics: Mechanics (Including Hydrostatics) And Light Some years ago a body of educational leaders declared themselves in favor of teaching physics by means of experiments involving exact measurement and weighing by the pupils in grammar-schools. To the author of this book, well aware of the difficulty of establishing and maintaining a thorough course of quantitative experimental work in academics and high schools, the new proposition did not at first commend itself. Difficulties of various kinds, financial, mechanical, pedagogical, appeared in the way. Indeed, the author at first expressed, somewhat publicly, the opinion that grammar-school physics must be lecture-table physics, an hour or two a week devoted by the teacher to the performance and discussion of simple experiments in the presence of the pupils. He thought, and still thinks, that such a course would be not unprofitable. There are several books describing this kind of work, and their number is rapidly increasing. But the advocates of the lecture-table method of science-teaching cannot claim for it the disciplinary advantage and the power of bringing...



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