instrumentality of algebraic continued fractions leading to a somewhat full and independent discussion of the theory of such fractions.

A few typographical errors have been observed, none of which would be confusing to the reader. The formulas in $x$, pages 33–34, should, of course, be expressed in terms of $z$. The word *sixth*, page 29, line 20, is apparently incorrect, as Humbert states explicitly (*Liouville*, 1893, page 436) that the minimum degree of hyperelliptic surfaces is not yet determined, but he believes it to be *eight*, and considers a number of cases of surfaces of that degree (pages 436–449).

The book is unfortunately printed on very thick paper; while not bulky, it could have been made into a more tasty and compact volume of less than half the thickness.

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CORRECTION.

The following correction should be made in the paper by Mr. Lennes in the October *Bulletin*: Page 14, lines 14–16, *for* where $M$ is the difference ⋯ of $f(x)$ on $ab$ read *where* $M$ is twice the least upper bound of the absolute value of $f(x)$ on $ab$.

NOTES.

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