

MAIA MIKAUTADZE

SILOVAN KHUNDADZE'S GEORGIAN GRAMMAR (COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF DIFFERENT EDITIONS)

The first edition of Silovan Khundadze's "Georgian Grammar" was published in 1904 in Kutaisi. It was a very popular textbook of its day for teaching of the Georgian Grammar to fifth-eighth graders in secondary schools.

The issues of the Georgian grammatical structure are covered by Silovan Khundadze's "Georgian Grammar", being consistently distributed over the four-year period and closely following the school curriculum.

S. Khundadze highly valued the purity of the Georgian language. He had always re-edited his grammatical research papers.

The proposed article analyses the modifications occurred throughout the first five editions of Silovan Khundadze's "Georgian Grammar" (published in 1904, 1907, 1911, 1915, 1917, respectively).

Through comparing the above-mentioned editions we have identified the ways in which the scholar reconsidered and modified his views and hypotheses in line with his principles, how closely he followed the considerations and critical statements of other scholars by accepting rational and well-reasoned criticism, on the one hand, and defending his own ideas, on the other hand.