

who are ten thousand, through the quaint old city, introducing them to scenes, works of art, and all sorts and conditions of men, until they feel that they know Venice, and are thankful to their cicerone for the delightful manner in which he has enabled them to share his knowledge and appreciation. One is often at a loss to know what sort of inexpensive volume to give to a friend who possesses culture without any definite literary taste. For such a purpose "*Gondola Days*" would be very appropriate. It is a bright, yet restful book, that could be taken up at any moment, and confer the luxury of European travel upon the reader with none of its discomforts and annoyances.

The Proceedings of the Royal Society of Canada is a large octavo of 193 pages, including many illustrations, giving an account of the Cabot Celebration, held last year in Halifax, under the patronage of the Governor-General and the presidency of Archbishop O'Brien. To this is added the Archbishop's Address on Cabot's Landfall, and thereafter follow papers by two Bristol delegates, "*Modern Bristol*," by W. Howell Davies, and "*Bristol in the Days of the Cabots*," by W. R. Barker. The Proceedings are thus of more than usual interest, though containing mere abstracts of the other papers read, which will be published later in the Transactions. Professor M. M. Curtis to whose attentions I have been introduced by our ancient alumnus, Dr. Robert MacDougall, sends me two Bulletins of the Western Reserve University of Cleveland, Ohio. Their contents are very varied. Professor Curtis himself contributes "*An Outline of Philosophy in America*," which is a valuable monograph, together with "*A Select Bibliography for the Study of Locke*," and a paper on "*The Intellectual Development of Cleveland*." All sorts of subjects, philosophical, scientific and literary, are dealt with in the Bulletins, which are well-printed small quarto brochures of an average of 50 pages. From my friend, Mr. James Croil, I have received "*The Continental Presbyterian*" for the current year, edited by the Rev. J. E. Somerville, B.D., F.S.A.