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MARCH MAGAZINES.

Captain A. T. Mahan opens the March *Atlantic* with his recent address on The Writing of History—a remarkably sound and stimulating paper which will be eagerly welcomed. John Burrows follows with a paper on Real and Sham Natural History, in which he characterizes with outspoken and delightful pungency the utterances of certain writers whom he considers sham naturalists. Another striking and important article is the second of President Arthur T. Hadley's notable papers on Academic Freedom in Theory and Practice.... There is a wealth of good reading matter in the March *Canadian Magazine*. The Hon. Clifford Sifton writes of The Needs of the Northwest, pointing out that the period of experiment has passed, and that the settler who now goes to the west goes with a certain and absolute prospect. J. M. Jackson writes of Ice-boating on Toronto Bay, and Katherine Hale tells some interesting things about Albani, the Canadian prima donna. There are three excellent short stories by Philip Marche, Hubert McBean Johnston and Frank Ford.... A charming sketch of the school colony at Mandres-sur-Vair, sustained by the XIth arrondissement of Paris as a summer resort for its school children, appears in the *Living Age* for February 21st, from the pen of Sir Edmund Verney. The *Edinburgh Review's* careful and appreciative criticism of Mr. Henry James's novels is attracting much attention among English readers. It is reproduced entire in the *Living Age* for March 7th.... A subject of the greatest importance to those who would be correct in social matters is the quality of their stationery. One is judged almost as much by the external appearance of a letter as by the contents, and in this regard, as in all others pertaining to the usages of polite society, there are certain prescribed rules. In fact, there are fashions in stationery as in dress. A feature of the March *Delineator* is a display of fashionable stationery, showing various shapes of envelopes and sheets, and examples of address headings and crests. Mourning borders, as well as the quality and color of paper, are referred to, and altogether it is an interesting page.... Among the leading features of the *Chautauquan*, the article entitled, The Danger Line in Western Asia, sets forth clearly the long unended struggle between England and Russia for the prize of India and the control of the East. This month's instalment of *Studies in English* is a valuable one and of much benefit to writers of our language.

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