

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

CANADIAN BOOKS.

THE volume containing the poetical works of the late Archibald Lampman, of Ottawa, which was prepared by a committee of the poet's friends, including Mr. Duncan Campbell Scott, was issued in Canada last month by Morang & Co. It has been so largely taken up by the admirers and friends of Mr. Lampman, both in Canada and England, that the whole of the first edition is now exhausted. As the proceeds of the work go to the poet's family, the success of the book is a gratifying tribute to the popularity and appreciation bestowed upon the poet, both during his lifetime and since.

"The Python and the Worm" is the title of a new book by "the Khan," the well-known Toronto journalist, with illustrations by Sam Hunter. The book consists of a story of Ontario life and some of the Khan's recent poems. The author gets very near the hearts of his readers in all he writes, and these verses are selected carefully.

"The British and Dutch in South Africa," is the title of a pamphlet by James H. Stark, of St. John, N.B. It is a collection of facts obtained from the most authentic sources as to the cause of the present war, and what its effect will be on the future of the British Empire. The pamphlet is for sale at J. & A. McMillan's.

"The History of the Montreal Stage" is an interesting book that is to be published shortly by the Franklin Association, Philadelphia. It will be written by Frank T. Graham, who has gathered materials in six different countries. The annals of the Montreal stage extend back to 1786, and will prove interesting to many Montreal readers.

The sale of Kingsford's "History of Canada," is now in the hands of William Briggs, who took over the stock when the former publishers, Rowsell & Hutchison, gave up business. The work is the standard on the subject—in fact, the only exhaustive history of Canada that we have. In ten large volumes, it covers the ground from the earliest discovery of the country to the year 1841. Mr. Briggs has also arranged to handle the remaining stock of Kingsford's "Early Bibliography of Ontario," a valuable little work in which is

found much information hardly procurable elsewhere.

RYERSON EMBURY.

Mr. Albert Carman's new novel, "The Preparation of Ryerson Embury," will continue to attract attention for some time, on account of the questions it raises affecting religion and the Methodist Church. It is brightly and incisively written. The narrative is lively and entertaining, and no one who knows Canada can doubt that it is a true picture of life in a college town. Embury is a student who rejects the "revival," and by gradual steps becomes an avowed freethinker. This severs him from his lady-love, by setting up a barrier between him and the church-going class. A strike in the town turns his attention to the woes of the poor and the rights of labor. He adopts Henry Georgism and is called upon to address the strikers. If he does so he knows he will lose his position in the law office where he is beginning life. For the sake of truth and the strikers he makes the sacrifice, and the curtain falls upon a reunited pair of lovers, and a declaration by Embury that religion worked out as Henry George lays it down, is a real and living force. Portions of the book are dramatic, and all are readable. The various characters in its pages are well drawn. The dialogue is never dull, and sometimes sparkles with happy phrase and humorous allusion. All who are interested in the attitude of young Canadians toward the church will care to read the book, and, although it is not what one would call a sympathetic view of religious life, there is nothing improper or coarse from cover to cover. The dealer, therefore, can recommend it without fear.—Publishers' Syndicate, Toronto.

REVELL CO.'S NEW BOOKS.

The Spring announcement of The Revell Co. contains a number of splendid new books, some of which are enumerated below:

"Arabia, The Cradle of Islam," is by Rev. S. M. Zwemer, F.R.G.S. It contains studies of the geography, people and politics of the Peninsula, with an account of Islam and missionary work. It is well illustrated, is 8vo in size, with over 400 pages, and the price is \$2. The book is ably planned and executed. It practically has the field to itself, for there is no other available book which gives such an excel-

lent idea of the country and its inhabitants, and none at all which includes so much information of general interest about Arabia, together with an account of Christian missions there.

A new volume of Stories of Missions Series is entitled "The Cobra's Den," by Rev. Jacob Chamberlain, author of "In the Tiger Jungle," a book which has had a very large sale. "Legalized Wrong," a comment on the tragedy of Jesus, is by a Chicago barrister, Robert Clowry Chapman, a 16 mo, bound in cloth, price 50c. Newell Dwight Hillis says of it: "It is clear, strong and convincing." "The legal argument is in itself a masterpiece of which the bar may be proud, stronger because it is clothed in language which any student may understand," is what The Chicago Law Journal says of it."

A theological work by a Canadian author is also announced, "Bible Studies on Sanctification and Holiness," by Rev. J. D. MacGillivray, Presbytery of Truro, Nova Scotia; 2mo, cloth \$1. "Village Life in China," by Arthur H. Smith, recently published, is having a good sale. This firm also announce The D. L. Moody Year Book, a living daily message from the words of D. L. Moody; "Moody's Latest Sermons and Short Talks," by D. L. Moody, two posthumous works by the famous evangelist.

MORANG & CO.'S NEW LIST.

After some delay, the complete book on "The English in Africa," which has been in preparation by Hon. David Mills, is now on the point of issuing from the press of Morang & Co. From advance sheets, we can say that the work will supply much information hitherto inaccessible. A large part of it has been derived from diplomatic correspondence and State papers, and, therefore, presents some new aspects of the question arising out of the British operations in Africa, new even to wide readers. Particularly on the subject of the South African Republics, Mr. Mills throws much light on the causes of the war. His remarks are not confined to mere general observations, but gives special instances of great importance. While the reader cannot fail to be convinced of the absolute necessity of the present military operations, the book is by no means one-sided, and it comments upon Mr. Gladstone's policy. One of the most interesting things in the book is the statement of Lord Randolph Churchill respecting the difficulties in South Africa, after a personal inspection of the conditions. The author also gives in extenso a very judicious monograph on the subject by Lord Selborne. As might be expected, the book is strong on the constitutional and legal aspects of the