

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS—Continued.
 dured, and its thorough Canadian qualities were everywhere highly appreciated.

In the list of the Gage books W. J. GAGE CO.'S BOOKS, there are several which are most important. The announcement of a Canadian edition of Felix Gras's "The White Terror" will prove of interest to the many readers of historical romance. This book lately published in the United States at \$1.50, is already receiving the appreciation due to merit. M. Gras paints with singular vividness the strange conditions offered in the Midi after the more familiar events of the French Revolution in Paris, and forms a romance extraordinary in its sympathetic quality and dramatic power which throbs with life and holds the reader tense with suspended interest. The enthusiastic reception given to M. Gras's "Reds of the Midi" and "The Terror" indicates the welcome awaiting his new romance. The above enterprising publishers are issuing this volume in paper at 75c. and in cloth at \$1.25. The cloth edition is handsomely bound and decorated and is said to be in every respect equal to the American edition at \$1.50.

"Terence," by Mrs. Croker, issued late in December, turns out to be one of the most delightful of this writer's novels. As previously outlined, it relates how an English heiress of retiring disposition, but independent character, goes to an Irish fishing resort. The coachman, Terence, is the scion of an old family. In helping her silly half-sister, a married woman, out of the scrapes into which heedless flirtation involves her, the heroine is thrown into friendly relations with Terence. They become attached to one another, and, after undergoing some tribulations, are united. The types of Irish character are delightful and the book is humorous without being frivolous. It is a man's, as well as a woman's book.

A second edition of Dr. Algie's clever novel "Houses of Glass" has been called for. This is a novel that will sell a long while. Its merits, once appreciated, mean a long life for the book. It is emphatically a work for the man rather than woman reader.

The English critics consider "The Crown of Life" a much weightier production than Gissing's previous novels. At the same time it is just as readable as any of them.

In "The Vizier of the Two-Horned Alexander" we cannot help thinking that, although the book is entertainingly humorous, Mr. Stockton expects to be taken with a degree of seriousness. He has put some time and study on the periods of history he deals with and the eminent men

of the past whom he introduces. One's curiosity is aroused by the supposed career of a man who has lived for several thousand years.

The passing traveler who has dropped into a bookstore to get something to read and has not yet perused "A Lunatic at Large" will simply snap at it. It is funny in the extreme and the rapid action keeps the reader in a perpetual state of excitement. The comic situations created by the vagrant humor of the "Lunatic," with the German baron in his train, have been equalled by very few writers of fiction.

WM. BRIGGS Mr. D. B. Read's "The NEW BOOKS. Lieutenant-Governors of Upper Canada and Ontario (1792-1899)," makes its appearance with the new year, and is in every respect a creditable volume. The publisher certainly has done his part with excellent taste. The paper is of good quality, the presswork, both of text and of the portraits, could not be better, and the binding in corded cloth of silk finish is very handsome. The Ontario coat-of-arms in gold appears appropriately beneath the title on the cover.

Nothing, however, will more delight the possessor of the book than the magnificent series of 22 half-tone portraits, executed for the work by Mr. J. E. Laughlin. The originals from which Mr. McLaughlin worked were obtained from the fine collection of Mr. Alfred Sandham and from the portraits in Government House. For each of these Mr. Sandham was able to provide a facsimile of the Governor's autograph. One or two of the portraits given in the book are published for the first time. Mr. Read has done his work well. The book will probably be the most popular of his admirable series of volumes, biographical and historical. It is gratifying to know that orders for more than 400 copies of this work were in the publisher's hands awaiting its issue. The price is \$2 in cloth and \$3.25 in half morocco.

Egerton R. Young, the well-known missionary author, has followed up his "Three Boys in the Wild North Land" by another volume entitled "Winter Adventures of Three Boys in the Great Lone Land," full of exciting adventure, and splendidly illustrated by J. E. Laughlin, of this city. The book has the imprint of Hunt & Eaton, of New York, and is handled in Canada by William Briggs. Mr. Young's books have had a sale far exceeding 100,000 copies. He is better known to English and American boys and girls than any other Canadian writer.

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