

SOCIAL AND LITERARY.

Mr. G. A. Sala is to spend the winter in the West Indies.

A movement has been started in London to erect a memorial to Charles Dickens.

The biography of George Eliot by her husband, has been greatly delayed by Mr. Cross's illness.

The number of visitors at Witttemberg, Germany, attending the Luther celebration, is placed at 50,000.

Mr. Gerald Massey has written a book bearing the title of "The Natural Genesis." He has spent twelve years upon its composition.

Mr. H. G. Vennor is not an invalid by any means, as reported in some newspapers, but is enjoying very good health and able to attend to his business affairs.

Dante Gabriel Rossetti was, it is said, a notable example of the terrible effects of the chloral habit. In the latter years of his life he sometimes took as much as 180 grains in a single day.

A startling announcement is made by Mr. S. R. Dyke, a member of the Divorce Reform League. He states that over 6,000 women die yearly in the United States from attempts to destroy unborn children.

Messrs. W. J. Linton and R. H. Stoddard have been gathering for some years the material for an elaborate collection of English poetry, and they have completed a work which is more comprehensive in its scope and more accurate in its text than any similar work heretofore sent forth.

The Methodist general conference has decided in favor of one large university to be established as soon as practicable, in Toronto or elsewhere in Ontario. At present the Church has six or seven educational institutions with 101 professors, 5,000 pupils and endowments exceeding \$400,000.

The original publisher of Uncle Tom's Cabin, Mr. John P. Jewett, believes he could have bought the story for twenty-five dollars, as, while negotiating with Professor Stowe and his wife, the Professor said, "I tell wife that if she can get a good black silk gown, or fifty dollars in money, she had better take it."

"Don't" is the taking title of a little volume published in the Parchment Paper Series by D. Appleton & Co. It is worthy a careful study by the young men of this country, as it is written for their benefit, and will undoubtedly be of value to them in the formation and strengthening of a good code of manners. "Don't" reproves many little faults which though small are sufficient to annoy and disturb the comfort of others, oftentimes.

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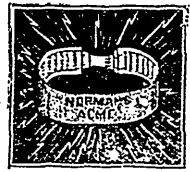
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