

tures in which these take part are too funny to have had their counterpart in real life.

Outline Study of Political Economy.

By GEORGE M. STEELE, LL.D.
Pp. 195. New York: Chautauqua Press. Toronto: William Briggs.
Price 60 cents.

Few subjects demand at the present day more thoughtful study than political economy. There exist upon this subject the most vague, crude, and contradictory notions. Yet it touches daily life in many of its most vital and practical relations. Dr. Steele has done good service by this brief, plain treatise upon a large and difficult topic. He treats the subject under four heads—Production, Consumption, Exchange, and Distribution. The relations of capital and labour; productive and unproductive labour and consumption; protection and free trade; banks, banking metallic and paper currency; wages, profit, interest, rent and taxation are some of the subjects judiciously treated. Were the principles of this science more carefully studied there would be less friction and irritation in the relations of employer and employee, and more thrift, content and prosperity in both classes.

Book-Keeping by Double Entry. By JOHN MISCALL. Toronto: Copp, Clark & Co.

The mysteries of book-keeping, we are sorry to say, are beyond our comprehension, but an expert to whom we have shown this book speaks very highly of the method set forth.

Brief Memories of Hugh McCalmont, the First Earl Cairns. By the author of "English Hearts and English Hands." Toronto: S. R. Briggs.

Lord Cairns has won a nobler title to our regard by his zeal as an earnest Christian than even by his ability as a wise statesman. He added lustre to his coronet by his saintly character. This little volume gives an outline of his services to the cause of God in a lofty sphere, which is too often disgraced by ignoble vices

and sordid aims. Such examples of piety in high places do much to redeem the peerage from the reproaches which unworthy members have brought upon it.

"*I Come Quickly*," being papers read at a Conference on the second coming of our Lord, held at Niagara, July 14-17, 1885. Toronto: S. R. Briggs.

The authors of these papers are the Rev. John Mutch, M. A., J. H. Brookes, D. D., H. M. Parsons, W. G. Edman, T. C. DesBarres, J. Denovan, S. H. Kellogg, D. D., and M. Baldwin, D. D. Although we cannot agree with these honoured brethren in their interpretation of Scripture on the important subject here treated, there will be found in this volume by every devout mind much that will tend to edifying.

LITERARY NOTICES.

That well-known Parliamentary reporter, Mr. Henry Lucy, has written two stout volumes which he calls "A Diary of Two Parliaments." The volumes are literally what they profess to be—a diary of events passing under the eye of the observer; not only is it a diary of events, but it is a gallery of portraits sketched from the life with quick vigorous strokes during the Premier'ships of Disraeli and of Gladstone.—*Cassell & Co., Publishers.*

The Statue of Liberty Enlightening the World is the subject of an elegantly printed and illustrated pamphlet, containing a description by the sculptor, M. Bartholdi, of this colossal statue. A fine steel engraving of the completed work, and numerous wood-cuts, show the manner of its construction. It is published for the benefit of the Pedestal Fund, by the *North American Review*, 30 Lafayette Place, New York.

From the Rev. J. G. Bond, whose interesting story is now running through this MAGAZINE, we have received a printed copy of his admirable lecture on "Chinese Gordon," delivered at St. John's, Newfoundland.