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**Literary Notes.**

American readers will be glad to know that the important Quarterly Review article on "The Character of the Queen" will be reprinted entire in *The Living Age* for May 25 and June 1. No article regarding the Queen has made such a stir in England as this; and no other is written from so close and intimate a knowledge. The London correspondent of *The New York Tribune* writes that there is almost as much speculation as to its author as there has been regarding "An Englishwoman's Love Letters." The two numbers of *The Living Age* containing the article will be mailed, postpaid, for twenty-five cents.

There is probably no one to-day living who knew Henry Ward Beecher in a more intimate way than did the man who married his daughter,—the Rev. Samuel Scoville. The Sunday School Times has taken advantage of this fact, and has secured from Mr. Scoville four reminiscence articles on the family life and personality of the great preacher. The series opens, in the issue of May 18.

Calumet "K" A Romance of the Great Wheat Corner. Wheat speculation, love and business are the motives of a great serial story by Marwin Webster, authors of *The Short Line War*, which will be begun in *The Saturday Evening Post* of May 25th.

The Missionary Review of the World for May is rich in variety, interest and value. Among the lands represented are Arabia, by S. M. Zemer; India, by Miss Abrams, Dr. John Craig, and Mr. Guilford; Laos, by Mrs. W. C. Dodd and Mrs. L. W. Curtis; Japan, by Rev. J. H. De Forest and Dr. Spencer. There are historical sketches of the S. P. G.; of Ramabal's work; of Missions Among the Telugus, and a biographical account of Frank Crossley of Manchester, England. The Science of Missions and Religion is considered in articles on Preaching to the Mohammedans; the Notable Conference in China, and Minister Wu's Confucian Propaganda. The illustrations are numerous and unique; the brief paragraphs enable one to keep up with all that is of interest in the missionary world. Each issue of the Review is of economical importance and value.

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**News Summary**

A petition has been presented in the Northwest Territories assembly praying for a plebiscite on the liquor traffic.

Mrs. Lyman J. Gage, wife of the secretary of the treasury died at Washington on Friday from heart trouble, the result of grip complications.

At a meeting of the Halifax City Council Thursday, H. H. Banks was re-appointed liquor license inspector after 35 ballots had been taken.

Captain Farquhar, who is now in England had purchased a steamer called the Erik for the Halifax-Sydney route, and he will bring the steamer to Halifax.

It is officially announced that the Hungarian wheat and rye crops are medium, and that the barley is medium, except in the northern mountainous districts.

Very Rev. Francis Paget, D. D., Dean of Christ Church, Oxford has been appointed bishop of Oxford in succession to the late Right Rev. William Stubbs.

Patrick Hogan, brakeman on the I. C. R. and a native of Tatamagouche, was instantly killed while the train was being shunted at Georges River Thursday night.

United States battleship Indiana is scheduled to arrive in Halifax August 10th and will remain until the 15th. She will likely be accompanied by the Chesapeake.

An inquiry into the use of opium in Vermont has produced figures which show that the adults of the state, male and female consume on the average one and one half grains of the drug a day.

The committee which the British government appointed early in the year to consider War office reform has reported in favor of a scheme of re-organization that is almost revolutionary.

The admiralty will lay down this year three battleships of 18,000 tons each which will be the largest and most powerful vessels of their class ever built. Each ship will cost fully \$6,250,000.

Steamer Federal was lost off the Australian coast during the heavy gale at the end of March. Thirty-two persons perished with her. Six bodies were recovered with a boat, but no other wreckage was found. When the bodies were found wild dogs were eating them and were driven away with difficulty.

Lady Minto intends taking up the question of erecting memorial tablets over the graves of Canadian soldiers who have fallen in South Africa. Captain Graham, A. D. C., says the public will not, however, be appealed to for this purpose until the country is quieter and more settled. The graves are marked and identified.

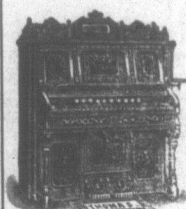
In the court of review at Montreal, Friday, Justice Curran annulled the marriage between two Catholics, Joseph Durpe and Miss Durochia, of Bedford, Quebec, married at East Franklin, Vermont, in June, 1891, by Rev. Mr. Prouty, Protestant minister, because the marriage was not solemnized by a Roman Catholic priest. The case in principle is similar to the famous Delpit case.

The Pretoria correspondent of the London Times, writing Thursday, reports greatly improved prospects for the winter campaign. "The numerous surrenders of the Boers are a healthy sign," he says. "I am unable as yet to see a near date for the close of hostilities, but one may be more hopeful, especially if the results of the coming activity resemble those of the past month."

A horrible murder was committed in Ste. Cunegonde, a western suburb of Montreal, Thursday night. Mrs. Louis Lefebvre, a young married woman, was shot through the head and killed by Joseph Lepaine, thirty-six years old, who boarded at the Lefebvre house. The only explanation Lepaine would give for his deed was that he was in love and that his love was not returned.

In the British House of Commons, Mr. Brodrick made the following significant statement: "We propose to attach to the Yeomanry, I hope, at no distant date, similar forces to those colonial forces who served in South Africa." It is understood the Imperial government proposes to confer with the colonial governments as to the colonial wishes in this matter of co-operation of the colonial forces with the imperial army, through the new imperial yeomanry.

Regimental establishment changes have been announced as follows: All cavalry regiments to have a uniform establishment as follows: Four regiments, 50 officers 30 staff sergeants and sergeants, 300 rank and file, 324 horses; the appointment of second lieutenant is abolished, and the number of lieutenants increased accordingly. Garrison artillery appointment of second lieutenant is abolished, and the number of lieutenants increased accordingly. An adjutant is authorized for second division, 1st Halifax Regiment; three officers' horses are authorized for other regiments.



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1883	309,376.60	64,006.01	373,382.61	1,149,427.40	11,018,625.00
1888	512,005.46	129,672.17	641,677.63	2,542,041.75	16,616,360.50
1893	796,505.04	185,894.86	982,399.90	4,520,133.04	24,288,690.00
1898	965,626.36	265,571.03	1,231,197.39	6,825,116.81	29,521,189.00
1900	1,063,748.59	329,121.84	1,392,870.43	7,799,983.89	32,171,215.00

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The course is not intended to qualify persons as teachers of the subject; but satisfactory work done during this period will be counted towards the work of the Special Training Course of six months' duration.

There are no fees whatever in connection with the school; and all teachers eligible for admission. Early application should, however, be made by persons desirous of attending, as it is anticipated that a good number will take advantage of the course. All teachers of the Province of Nova Scotia taking the full summer course will, with the consent of the trustees of their school section, be allowed extra vacation of two weeks. Applications should be addressed to the Director of the MacDonald Fund for Nova Scotia, T. B. Kindner, Truro, N. S. who will be pleased to afford any further information required.



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Detectives and the police have broken up a band of American brigands who have been operating in the province of Pangasinan, near Manila. This band committed outrages and murders. The band sometimes represented themselves as American deserters, and at others as American soldiers.

Among recently granted patents was one to Samuel McIntyre, of Canterbury, York county, for a device for hitching and unhitching horses, and one to David A. Brittain, Westfield, for skidding tongues, and one to George Henry Cove, Amherst, for a propeller.