

Dugald Stewart, Sir James Macintosh, Adam Smith, Lord Brougham, Prof. Wilson, and Sir William Hamilton, illustrative of the history and progress of philosophic thought within the period covered by the volume.

New additions will be immediately made to the issues of Lange's Commentary, and the Speaker's Bible Commentary, in the publication of the Book of Job in the former series, and the Books of Isaiah to Daniel in the latter.

Considerable interest has been manifested in the recent Explorations in Nineveh, Assyria and Babylonia, by Mr. George Smith, of the British Museum, the distinguished Oriental scholar. That interest will doubtless be whetted by the announcement of the approaching publication of Mr. Smith's researches, with photographic reproductions of the most important inscriptions brought to light by the traveller.

Mr. Blanchard Jerrold has just issued the first volume of his highly enlogistic biography of Napoleon III., the material for which he has derived from State records and unpublished family correspondence, and to which he has had privileged access. The work is to extend to four volumes, and will be profusely illustrated with portraits, fac-similes of letters, State documents, &c.

The *Cornhill Magazine* has just commenced the issue of a new story, by William Black, the author of "A Daughter of Heth," and other novels, which have met with deserved favour recently. The story is entitled, "Three Feathers."

A new work on the Russian Empire, by Ashton W. Dilke, reviewing the political position of that country, especially in regard to the relations between the Russian and subject races, will shortly appear.

Sir Samuel Baker's Narrative of the Expedition to Central Africa for the suppression of the slave trade will be published early in November. It will comprise two 8vo volumes, fully illustrated, and bears the title of "Ismailia."

A volume of Autobiographical Reminiscences and Selections from the diaries of Macready, the actor, is announced, by one of his executors, Sir Frederick Pollock, Bart.

An important contribution to the literature of Economic Science appears in a work entitled "Some Leading Principles of Political Economy newly Expounded," by Prof. J. E. Cairnes, of University College, London. The volume appears in an English dress, from Messrs. Macmillan, and in an American from Messrs. Harper Bros.

An admirable series of educational works dealing with the History of England and Europe at successive epochs, has just been projected by the Messrs Longman, and three volumes of the issue have appeared. The subjects of these volumes are :

1. The Era of the Protestant Revolution. 2. The Crusades; and 3. The Thirty Years' War. They are all prepared by eminent scholars, and will be found useful for general reading and the refreshment of the memory as to the salient points of history, as well as of use to the student.

The posthumous volume of Essays on "Nature, the Utility of Religion, and Theism," from the pen of John Stuart Mill, may be expected early in November.

Two volumes of the speeches of Lord Lytton, with some hitherto unpublished political writings of the late novelist, have just been published. Their appearance goes far to justify Bulwer's claim to be ranked among the statesmen of his time.

The first instalment, of two volumes, of Mr. W. S. Lindsay's "History of Merchant Shipping and Ancient Commerce," has just appeared. It embraces the narrative of the commercial intercourse of the world from the beginning of the present century backwards to the maritime commerce of antiquity. The two unpublished volumes will treat of the mercantile operations of subsequent times, and will doubtless, when completed, form an important contribution to the literature of trade.

Two notable contributions to recent serial literature—viz., Mr. John Morley's paper "On Compromise," from the *Fortnightly*, and Mr. W. R. Greg's "Rocks Ahead" from the *Contemporary*, are promised for early publication in separate form.

Mr. W. F. Rae, the translator of "Taine's English Literature," will shortly issue a translation of the English Biographical Studies of M. C. A. Sainte-Beuve, collected from the *Causeries du Luvré*.

The third volume of Scribner's *Bric-a-brac* series comprises selections from Prosper Mérimée's "Letters to an Incognita;" also from Lamartine's "Twenty-five Years of My Life," and from some of the writings of Mme. George Sand. It is a delightful compilation, and will find many readers. The fourth volume of the series, we believe, will deal with the English humourists of the last century.

A Life of the late Rev. Dr. Norman Macleod, Editor of *Good Words*, is expected immediately from the press. The second and concluding volume of the Autobiography of Dr. Thomas Guthrie may also be looked for among the forthcoming publications.

A reprint is announced of the remarkable work recently published in England, entitled "Supernatural Religion; an Inquiry into the Reality of Divine Revelation," and of which the Editor of the *Fortnightly* says that "it is by far the most decisive, trenchant, and far-reaching of the direct contributions to theological controversy that have been made in the present generation.