BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

The long story in the August St. Nicholas is a capital railway story for boys, called "Tom Jarnagan, Junior," written by Francis Lynde.

The August Century is a fine number, containing short stories by Edna Kenton, S. Weir Mitchell, and Frederick Palmer; poems by Joel Chandler Harris, Bliss Caman and William Watson. Amongst the articles of general interest may be mentioned P. T. Barnum, Showman and Humorist.

Mr. F. Hopkinson Smith's serial, "Oliver Horn," is concluded in the August Scribner; and a most charming beginning is published of Barrie's new serial, "The Little White Bird." If it is continued as finely Mr. Barrie's public will have much to be grateful for. The short stories are particularly good.

Mr. Balfour is the subject of the first article in the August American Monthly Review of Reviews, a very interesting account is given of him by Mr. A. Maurice Low. Other articles are on M. Bloch, and G. F. Watts.

One of the most interesting contributions to the August Cosmopolitan is Herbert George Wells and His Work, by E. A. Bennett, who gives much importance to Mr. Wells' powers of scientific prophecy.

The Youth's Companion have begun the publication of a series of Tales of a Mississippi Pilot, by L. S. Canfield, the second of which, "The Coming and Going of Singasong Eph," appears in the issue for the 31st of July.

The Living Age for August 2nd contains a very good s'nort story by the same Mr. E. A. Bennett, entitled "A Feud in the Five Towns," which was originally published in the Conhill Magazine.

The August Atlantic is as usual a fine number of this excellent magazine. There are two almost remarkable short stories: Night's Lodging," by Arthur Colton, and "The Cane of Adullam," by Alice Brown, besides others of not quite so high a note. Revival of the Poetic Drama" is by Edmund Gosse; and "The Short Story," by Bliss Perry. Duncan Campbell Scott cont ibutes a poem called "Rapids at Night," and Mr. A. C. Merwin a very interesting account of Bret Harte.

The first article in the July Studio is devoted to the work of an American painter, Mr. Eric Pope. It is written by Miss Regina Armstrong, and is illustrated by reproductions of many of his paintings. The International Exhibition of Modern Decorative Arts Turin is the second contribution to the same number; and the third is six exquisite drawings by Tony Grubhofer of different scenes in London. Recent Domestic Architecture and Home Arts and Industries are other important contributions.

Home and School Library. Editor: IL AURIE MAGNUS, M.A.; publisher: Mr. John Murray, Albemarle Street, London, England. The following three books are from this long-established publishing house: "Plato's Republic," 2s. I. M. Campbell, M.A., LL.D., Professor of Greek, St. Andrews: