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AMONG books which Morang & Co. are bringing forward for Autumn sale are some admirably choice gift books in poetry, what used to be called belles' lettres, and natural history.

Among these may be named Hamilton W. Mabie's last work, "The Life of the Spirit," bound uniformly with his other works, at the moderate price of \$1.25. In a series of short chapters Mr. Mabie has endeavored to settle the great truths of the religious life in vital relation to human experience.

A book of an altogether different character, so that the contrast seems rather bizarre, is a beautiful \$2.50 illustrated edition of "Rip Van Winkle." This is a delightful book. Here we have the text of the play by the famous actor, Jefferson; here we have a capital portrait of him, and here are reproductions from photographs of the stage, with the play upon it. That this will vividly recall to many people the most brilliant performance of an old favorite goes without saying.

Paul L. Dunbar's "Lyrics of the Hearthside," beautifully bound, at \$1.25, is another book that will take the eye of those who are looking for a nice little present for a friend. It is full of gems of poetic feeling, and the typography and general get-up are unexceptionable, as is also the little volume by the same author and at the same price, "Lyrics of Lowly Life."

In all her voluminous writings George Eliot never surpassed her "Silas Marner," and it was worth while to produce it in the glorified edition which is now announced by Morang & Co. The book lover will here find a book to please him. It is adorned with 60 illustrations by Reginald Birch and is well worth the \$2 asked for it. If we can get a classic on our bookshelves we are lucky, but if we can get it in such a pithy dress as has been given to this volume we may deem ourselves supremely fortunate.

"Society Types," by Ko Ko, is another bright little book being a keen and bright series of 14 essavettes or sketches of society people. This book is sure to have a great sale. It touches on the mystic region of Society (with a big S) which occasionally excites the admiration the satire, the envy, and the spleen of everybody. Here the author airs his opinion on the Beauty, the Widow, the Young Man, the Guest, and the Parson, with pleasing vivacity and freshness.

Some will think him a little too "fresh" sometimes. This book has a very snappy cover representing the society man and society woman who have apparently just stepped out of their carriage to attend a ball. A book of this kind for 75c. is a marvel, particularly when you take into consideration the dainty binding and the gilt top. The great success of Edward Seton Thompson's "Wild Animals I Have Known," which is in its 20th thousand—pretty good for a \$2 book—is to be followed up by another nice book by the same author entitled "The Trail of the Sandhill Stag." Morang & Co. will also bring out this in Canada. It will sell at \$1.50 and has seven full-page illustrations, one in color, and numerous marginal drawings of the same character as those which decorated the previous book.

Morang & Co. also give notice of their issue of a copyright Canadian edition, "The Orange Girl," by Sir Walter Besant. He is one of the few writers of fiction who has the ability to transport the reader to a bygone age and make it seem as real and vivid as our own. "The Orange Girl" is a story of the eighteenth century, and the heroine is full of heroism, by no means a truism as those will agree who read many modern novels. Much interest is manifested in the forthcoming of this book. It will be illustrated with eight drawings by Warren Davies, and will sell in cloth for \$1.25; paper 75c.

On Morang's list also will be found the "Stalky & Co." of the irresistible Kipling. There is no necessity to gild Mr. Kipling's gold, or to advertise the best advertised man in the world, so that it is only necessary to say that this book of stories of school life with its charming slang and joyous spontaneity is coming out in good shape at the price of \$1.50.

Much has been said about Tolstoi's new novel, "Resurrection," which The Cosmopolitan ceased publishing after they had begun it, because they were not allowed to modify the excessive directness with which the grand old Russian calls a spade a spade. But Tolstoi's realism is a realism of cleanliness and not a realism of dirt. If certain people think that his pages are not fit for Sunday-school reading, they, of course, have a right to their opinions, and the judicious bookseller will probably not make this the first book to show to people of spinster-like propriety. What the book

really describes is the resurrection of a man from the death of animalism to the life of a pure and holy love. Morang & Co. will issue this book (cloth, \$1.25; paper, 75c.) as soon as it is re-leased for publication in the other places one finds in a map of the world.

Anthony Hope, in "The King's Mirror," takes us to a kingdom that seems familiar and that we at first suppose we can find by a moderately careful search of the atlas. The characters seem to be familiar European statesmen and diplomats, kinglets and queenlets and other high mightinesses. But they are all fictional, though in reading the book it is hard to realize this. Mr. Hope is a trifle more analytical and psychological and introspective in this novel than he has previously been, but the book will be read, not only on account of the author's name, but because of its intrinsic interest. It will sell at \$1.50 cloth; 75c. paper.

"My Lady and Allan Darke" is a romantic story of the last century by Charles Donnel Gibson. The story element is strongly in evidence, and the incidents follow fast. There are several escapes from death, a mysterious lady of surpassing beauty and haughtiness, and a suitable confounding of the villain in the last chapter.

"Mr. Dooley" has had such an enormous success (he is now in his hundredth thousand), that a new book by the same author will receive a hearty welcome. It will be entitled "Mr. Dooley in the Hearts of His Countrymen." It will be full of humor and of bits to be read aloud by anyone who has the knack of imitating the Irish accent, and it will sell for \$1.25 and 75c. in paper.

"Nothing But Names" is having a considerable success. It is, as will be remembered, an inquiry into the origin of the names of the counties and townships of Ontario, by Mr. H. F. Gardiner, of The Hamilton Times. This book of 560 pages, beautifully bound, is cheap at \$2.50. So is "The History of the American Nation," by Prof. McLaughlin. No better account of the rise of the great republic to the south of us has been produced. It is comprehensive and lucid, is bound in cloth, lavishly illustrated, and with numerous maps. It seems very cheap for the moderate price of \$1.50.

The \$3 edition of the Life of Nelson, by Capt. A. T. Mahan, is a book which will be picked up by the best class of customers,