

“The preservation of the Forests” and other subjects of present interest. The Weekly is giving large portraits of the different republican Nominees for the presidency; with the usual number of portraits of other men of prominence, along with many other sketches and illustrations of much interest.

THE CENTURY for May gives the first of Mr. Kennans Siberian papers. The author in his preface writes: “To the average American, Siberia was (in 1879) almost as much a *terra incognita* as central Africa or Thibet. In 1881, the assassination of Alexander II. and the exile of a large number of Russian revolutionists increased my interest in Siberia and intensified my desire not only to study the exile system on the ground, but to investigate the Russian revolutionary movement in the only part of the empire where I thought such an investigation could successfully be made,—namely, in the region to which the revolutionists themselves had been banished. The Siberian expedition of The Century sailed from New York for Liverpool on the second day of May, 1885. It consisted of Mr. George A. Frost, an artist of Boston, and Mr. Kennan. They both spoke Russian, and both had been in Siberia before.

THE POPULAR SCIENCE MONTHLY for May is a strong and promising opening of its thirty-third volume. It contains Hon. David A. Well's closing paper on “The Economic Disturbances since 1873,” which is a masterly review of the whole situation. The outlook is regarded as hopeful; wages have increased and a better style of living is obtained by the wage-earners. This number contains also the first of three articles which recently appeared in the leading Church journal of England, discussing “Darwinism and the Christian Faith” from the orthodox side, in an unusually clear and competent manner. The same subject is treated from a different standpoint by Prof. Joseph Le Conte, under the title “The Relation of Evolution to Materialism.” MR. EDWARD ATKINSON will open The Monthly for June with an incisive paper on “The Surplus Revenue.” He suggests a way, apparently overlooked, of solving the great problem. The June number will also have an article on “The Effects of Moderate Drinking,” by George Harley, M.D.

HARPER'S BAZAAR is THE ladies' literary, fashion and pattern paper of the world, and gives some excellent things. Recent illustrations are: “An Irish Beauty,” full page, very fine and chaste; “Confidence,” full page, charming; a double page one, for Ester; “Jesus Saith unto Her, ‘Mary’”; and 15 pretty scenes, “Through the Engadine.”

THE WEEKLY GRAPHIC is a good and useful periodical, at a moderate price (\$2.50 a year; 39 & 41 Park Place, New York), which has much improved during the past year. It gives illustrations, and discusses topics, of current social, rather than political interest. It takes strong ground against some social abuses and evils, and gives a large amount of newsy reading matter and many illustrations in its 16 large pages.