

Book Notices.

WILLIAM BRIGGS, Toronto, is publishing a Canadian edition of "Hopkin's Outline Study of Man," to sell at \$1.25, in cloth. It will be ready in a few weeks. He has published this week "Among the Laurentians," a camping story, by Sidney C. Kendall, bound in extra English cloth, 50 cents.

THE FOUR GREAT PREACHERS. - Rose Publishing Co., Toronto, \$1. The editor in his preface says: "A Spurgeon can be heard on two continents, and Beecher's eloquence, like Britain's drum-beat, may encircle the earth. The interest felt in the pulpit work of these typical preachers of Britain and America, and in that of Talmage and Moody is such as to call for the collection of sermons within this volume." The sermons are certainly selected with care and are examples of the style and force of expression of the different men. A short biography of each is given.

THE ROSE PUBLISHING Co., have published "The Story of Louis Riel, the Rebel Chief." The book is illustrated, and sold at 30 and 50 cts. The same house announce as now in press "History of the Troubles in the Province of Manitoba and the North-West Territories," by G. Mercer Adam. Cloth extra, \$1.50.

THE WILLARD TRACT SOCIETY hand us three handsome little books: "The Beauty of the King," "Daisies from the Psalms," and "The Pilgrim's Rest," published by J. E. Hawkins, London, publishers of the Mildmay cards. They are attractive in appearance and are of that style of neat and good presentative books that sell so well. They are all made up of well selected scripture texts, with handsome borders.

THE *Varsity* Board of Directors proposes to issue an edition of 500 copies of a little book containing the best things—both prose and verse—that have appeared in that journal since its inception five years ago.

THE announcement that Charles Egbert Craddock was a *nom-de-plume*, and that the real name of the writer of the famous East Tennessee stories was Miss Mary N. Murfee was a genuine surprise. This month's Literary Bulletin of Houghton, Mifflin & Co. introduces to us the portrait of the lady whose penetrating eye in more senses than one has looked in on the domestic life and tragedies of the rough mountaineer, and has told us in terse, melodious sentences of one other section of the great family of man as different from the ordinary every day life of ours as it is possible to imagine. Her latest work, "The Prophet of the Great Smokey Mountain," now appearing in *The Atlantic*, grows in intense interest as it progresses, and we have in the half-fanatic Prophet a new and weird creation in fiction. When published in book form the sale should be large.

MR. HENRY FROWDE will shortly issue from the Oxford University Press "Civilization of the Eastern Iranians in ancient Times, Based on the Authority of the Avesta, with an introduction on the Avesta

Religion, by Prof. Wilhelm Geiger, translated from the German, with notes, by Darab Dastur Peshotan Sanjana." The translator is a Parsee scholar of Bombay, and the work is stated to contain a complete examination of the Zoroastrian doctrines, as well as of the social life of the ancient inhabitants of Persia known as the Iranians.

THE famous Mazarin, or Gutenberg, Bible is to be reproduced in England by means of photo-lithography. W. E. A. Axon will contribute to the work a statement of the history and bibliography of this Bible and of the circumstances in which it was printed. The copy in the possession of the Earl of Crawford and Balcarres has been obtained as a guide. The reproduction will be dedicated to the Archbishop of Canterbury.

DODD, MEAD & Co. announce a limited cheap edition of E. P. Roe's "Without a Home," which will no doubt follow in the wake of the cheap editions of "Barriers Burned Away," and "Opening of a Chestnut burr," which are reported to have reached a sale of over 150,000 copies.

JAMES R. OSGOOD & Co., have now ready "Literary Landmarks of London," by Laurence Hutton, an excellent little hand-book, giving the haunts and homes of every English writer of note that has frequented the city, with precise indications of their present condition, all arranged in alphabetical order. It will prove an acceptable guide to tourists and others visiting the city. They have also issued "England and Russia in Central Asia," by G. M. Towle, a compact statement of the Afghan problem, with the [military] positions of the English and Russians, the great political and commercial questions involved, and the strategic value of various points in Afghanistan. The volume contains several maps, and is the first issue in the *Timely Topics Series*.

MR. SANBORN'S memoir of John Brown, which will be published by Roberts Brothers on May 9, will contain letters from Garrit Smith, Frederick Douglass, and Wendell Phillips, and a special feature of it will be a brief autobiography of John Brown's father.

LETTERS to Her Majesty, written by the late Princess Alice, have been so well received by the public, that Mr. Murray has obtained permission to publish it in a cheap form for the public. There will be an appendix, written by Her Royal Highness Princess Christian.

THERE are laws in thirteen States prohibiting the sale of sensational papers, and in order to cover those States from which his *Gazette* is excluded, Richard K. Fox has now in preparation a new illustrated weekly, the name of which is said to be the *Illustrated Sporting World*.

GENERAL LEW WALLACE is writing another novel. His love for the foreign and picturesque would lead us to expect a work dealing with scenes of his late residence in Turkey.