

whether German, Italian, or British might with all becoming propriety undertake the writing of a history of the period to which Rankè has bent the energies of his mind. The book is well written, somewhat heavy at times, but much more free from those obscure and clumsy characteristics which have been justly complained of in his History of the Popes of Rome.

*Lamartine's Restoration of Monarchy in France.* Volume IV.

Harper and Brothers have completed their edition of Lamartine's great work on the Restoration of Monarchy. This book is one of Lamartine's very best. No man in France was so capable of furnishing the world with a book on this subject as Lamartine. Having lived to see no less than some ten revolutions in that tumultuous and unsettled country, and having been engaged for nearly half a century either in the capacity of a journalist or a politician, or both, he has possessed himself of all the material required for such a work. Many of the principles which, as a politician, he propounds, he has been advocating for years in his place in the senate-house, and many of the facts he has been recording as a journalist; so that he writes, not as a man who is subject to the toil of plodding through authorities and ransacking journals and Parliamentary documents, but of the immense laboratory of his own memory and experience, he pens the ample material which, arranged in a most orderly and logical manner, and written in a most racy and fascinating manner, affords the reader one of the finest specimens of historical literature on record. The stirring events of his own time, of which he can truly say "*Magna pars fui*," have thrown an enthusiasm and a charm about this work, which renders it as attractive to the reader of taste as the most thrilling tale of ancient or modern romance.

*Complete Works of S. T. Coleridge*, Vol. VI.

Harper and Brothers have issued the sixth volume of their new and magnificent edition of Coleridge. This volume embraces his views of Church and State, in two parts, and his Table-talk. Both topics are of profound interest. The former is important, because it embraces a subject against which, on this side of the Atlantic, there is a strong prejudice. The latter is equally so, because it teaches the valuable lesson, that our chit-chat and gossip in this country is often a ruin of time and a prostitution of intellect. What a privilege to the mind given to reflection, to be thrown into contact with men and minds, that muse and converse on themes higher than the low grovelling gossip of the ale-house, or the gabble and slander of addle-headed elderly young ladies, who cannot speak or think well of anybody! The evil is tolerable in this class of our gossiping community, but when it is found among our sage and hoary-headed men of mind, it becomes the most intolerable and despicable thing imaginable! Let any one read Coleridge's and Johnson's Table-talk, and learn from the domestic conversation of such men that, irrespective of the moral view of the subject, men's minds were made for higher purposes than to be eternally thinking evil of one another, and their

mouths for better ends than to be incessantly speaking evil of each other.

We must own it, right or wrong, whether from weakness or from a strong tendency to hero-worship, we do admire S. T. Coleridge; and we have no sympathy with the malignant detractors who denounce the man, the author, the Christian, who from conscientious and clear conviction exchanged his Socinian views for the orthodoxy of English Episcopacy.

W. D. Donn.—"*The Friend of Moses*," by W. F. Hamilton, D.D. Mobile, Ala.

This volume embracing twelve lectures by one of our ablest American Divines, has recently been republished in Great Britain, under the patronage of some of the leading Theologians of the empire. The learned author has laid the Christian world under a debt of gratitude to him by the undertaking. The talent and learning which he has brought to bear on some of the leading and popular objections to the Pentateuch—do honor alike to his head and heart.

In the 12th lecture, which treats of the "Unity of the races of men." He has not only given a triumphant refutation to some of the apologists for modern slavery, but he has taken a most impregnable position in favor of the liberty of the coloured man. In this he has set our Southern Theologians an example worthy of universal imitation. Dr. Hamilton has spent the past year in travelling in the East, and prosecuting researches of a most important nature in Syria, Palestine and Germany. We sincerely wish his life may be spared to enrich still further our Theological Literature by his efficient and masterly labours.

During the year, Dodd has issued among others, the following volumes to which we shall call attention more at large in forthcoming numbers: "*The Society of Friends*," by Mrs. Greer. "*Love affairs in our village twenty years ago*," by Mrs. Caustic. "*The Foulard Family*," by Mrs. Corbridge. "*The World's Laconics*," by Wm. Sprague, D.D. "*The Path of Life*," by Henry A. Rowland. "*The Old and the New*," by Wm. Goodell. "*Open Communion*," by S. W. Whitney, A.M. "*Justification by Faith*," by Rev. Jonathan F. Stearns, D.D. "*Light in a Dark Alley*," by Henry A. Rowland. "*The Young Ladies Guide*," by Harvey Newcombe. "*The Gospel Harmony*," by Walter King, A.M.

The above catalogue embodies some most valuable works, which shall have our attention in our next issue, as they arrived late.

BUTLER & Co., have also republished several of the works of Professor J. R. YOUNG, which as text books for University, College and School study, have no rivals: Elements of Geometry with notes, a complete system in eight books, constructed after the French model of Lagrange and others who do not adhere so strictly as English Mathematicians to the Euclidian method.—Elementary treatises on Algebra, from the latest British Edition, revised by the Professor himself.—Elements of Plane and Spherical Trigonometry, with additions from the discoveries of T. S. Dakies, F.R.S.E., T.Y., S.S., &c. &c., a new and splendid Edition with tables.—The Elements of Mechanics, comprehending Statics and Dynamics, with mechanical problems.