

Bishop Hurst severely to account for saying in his account of the Ecumenical Conference : "The session devoted to the present status of theology and its grand relation to scientific progress gave this key-note to the exact relation of science to Methodism in every part of the world, namely, that while it considers its basis of faith permanent, it holds that its theology is not a finished thing, but progressive and developing according to the new light reflected by every advance in science." While our views are in substantial agreement with those of Bishop Hurst, we are glad to see the other side of the question so ably represented, and we cordially recommend this article to such as desire to see the conservative side of it treated with ability.

The *Atlantic Monthly* still retains its high place among the monthlies. As it depends entirely upon its literature to commend it, of course it is at a disadvantage in its appeal to that class of readers who buy magazines chiefly for the pictures. But as a literary magazine it has no superior, if indeed it has any equal. One of the chief attractions of the September number is a poem addressed to Oliver Wendell Holmes, in commemoration of his birthday which occurred on the 29th of August, by John Greenleaf Whittier, the last thing, perhaps, that the Quaker poet ever wrote.

*The Century* for October. This number completes the twenty-second volume of the new series. These volumes are a whole library in themselves, for in them may be found suggestive, practical articles on current subjects of thought; keen, critical discussions on problems of literature; timely biographical sketches, well written; well illustrated articles on the great cities of the world, and sensible patriotic records of the past history of America. In addition there are numerous short stories and poems, with illustrated serials by masters in the art of fiction. Articles especially noteworthy in October are, "What I Saw of the Paris Commune," by Archibald Forbes; Emilio Castelar's—the eminent Spanish statesman—continuation of his "Life of Columbus;" "Money in Practical Politics," by Jeremiah Jinks—this is a very able article, embracing such points as Party Organization, Campaign Funds, Campaign Methods, How Votes are Bought, The Effect of Vote Buying on the Voters, Causes of Corruption and Remedies

Once in a while a stray copy of the *Review of the Churches* finds its way to our library table, but it is a very welcome visitor when it does arrive. Though avowedly modelled after the style of the "Review of Reviews," Dr. Lunn, the editor, has given it life and characteristics of its own. It is the foremost advocate of Christian Reunion, and under its auspices the famous Reunion Conferences at Grindelwald are now being held—a series of Conferences which in our opinion are destined to be a history-making event. A large part of the September number is devoted to a verbatim report of the proceedings, including the written papers and addresses.

Among the articles of special interest in the September *Andover Review* are, "Parallels of Hexateuch Criticism," "The Bible in the College," and "The Divinity of Christ." *The Chautauquan* for October begins Vol. XVI. with "Required Readings for the Chautauquan Literary and Scientific Circle," which is the American-Greek year, besides the "General Reading" department, "Woman's Council Table," etc. The October *Expository Times* begins Vol. IV. with Milton's "Primeval Man," Professor Wendt's "Teaching of Jesus," "The Notion of Divine Covenants in the Bible," "Recent Biblical Study in Canada." In the review section of the *Homiletic* are