

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS—Continued.

esprit of last Autumn. Richard Carvel is a young Maryland aristocrat, as is also the heroine of the story, Dorothy Manners. The action takes place, between the years 1752 and 1782, and moves back and forth between the old cavalier colony with its gay Annapolis and lordly country life and the London of Horace Walpole and George Selwyn. The strong, broad treatment of the plot of "Richard Carvel" is a far cry from the skillful lightness of "The Celebrity," but it is no less original or absorbing. "Richard Carvel" is a book of some 500 pages and is illustrated by Malcom Fraser and Carleton Chapman.

GAGE'S FICTION SERIES.

It seems to be the aim of The Gage Co. to get away where possible from the 75c. novel and give to the public in equally attractive form their fiction series at 50c. They have placed on the market two very attractive books at this price issued from their press the latter part of May.

"By Berwen Banks" by Allan Raine, is a charming, in fact, an idyllic love story, showing how a girl-wife is separated by accident from her lover and suffers shame in consequence. "The Mandarin" is an admirable story of adventure, crisply written throughout, with eight very fine full page

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Among the publications announced for June will be found some popular books at 50c.

"Fortune's My Foe," by J. Bloundelle-Burton, author of "The Clash of Arms," etc. This story moves briskly and there is a constantly sustained interest with plenty of dramatic action. It is a story of the XVIII. Century life in which the London of the period is deftly sketched and the social life of that day accurately delineated.

"A Pauper Millionaire," by Austin Fryers, will prove excellent Summer reading. A story of an American millionaire stranded in the city of London, his identification papers lost and but a few shillings between him and starvation. After many distressing, and, to the reader, amusing experiences, he is finally released from his sufferings. This book, written in a lighter vein in which pathos and humor alternate, may be confidently recommended for holiday reading, as the interest is sustained from start to finish. The experiences of "A Pauper Millionaire" point a moral and adorn a lively tale.

"Postle Farm," by Geo. Forde. A quaint and pleasing tale of West of England

life, and "A Lunatic at Large" will also be issued at 50c. These are all copyright books and the enterprise of the publishers in placing them on the market at 50c. cannot be too highly commended.

"A Lunatic at Large," as its name would lead one to suppose, gives a field for a bright and witty writer to sketch amusing situations. That he has been successful in this, the eagerness with which the English public are looking forward to the publication of the English edition is an evidence. Mr. J. Storer Clouston, the author of this book, will no doubt be heard from again.

"Samuel Boyd of Catchpole Square," is also announced for June. Published at 6s. in England, Mr. Farjeon's detective stories have run through many editions, this, his latest and probably his best, will be issued in Canada at 50c.

Quite another type of book will be "John King's Question Class," by Rev. Mr. Sheldon, author of "In His Steps," etc. This is an authorized edition by arrangement with Mr. Sheldon himself. Copyright is being secured and simultaneous publication arranged for in England, United States and Canada. The trade, in purchasing the Canadian edition, will be protected against cheap reprints.

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