

Personal.

Dr. Herbert Saunders, professor of clinical medicine in Queen's University, Kingston, died on Wednesday aged 49

Senator Boulton has addressed an open letter to Sir William Dawson on the Manitoba School Question, criticising the latter's letters to Sir Charles Tupper on that subject.

Admiral McClintock, who, between 1848 and 1857, was connected with four Arctic expeditions in search of Sir John Franklin's remains, does not believe that Dr. Nansen has discovered the North Pole.

The Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, died on Wednesday, after an illness of six months, at Fergus, Ontario. The funeral will take place on Monday next at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto

Literary Notes.

General Greeley's article in March Ladies' Home Journal upon "The Personal Side of Washington" will show that Washington was largely influenced by his environments, but also that he steadily teaded toward the higher standards of the present age, especially as regards his habits and ideals.

W. H. Mallock, whose "Labour and the Popular Welfare" aroused so much interest, has written a new volume of essays, in which he discusses such topics as the distribution of wealth (controversing the principles laid down by Karl Marx), the minimum of humane living, wages, the products of work, and the census and the people.

In the February number of The Century is a paper on "The Palmerston Ideal in Diplomacy," by Edward M. Chapman. This was written before the President's Message on the Venezuela question, but has a distinct bearing upon it. The article is in a friendly spirit, but attributes to Lord Palmerston's diplomatic ideals the present isolation of England.

Two articles by Herbert Spencer appear in Appletons' Popular Science Monthly for February. One is devoted to the Sculptor, in Mr. Spencer's series on "Professional Institutions;" the other is a reply to the Marquis of Salisbury's criticism of the doctrine of evolution in his inaugural address as President of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

The contribution in the February Atlantic which will attract perhaps the widest attention is an able paper entitled "The Presidency and Mr. Reed." It is a thoughtful presentation of the requirements of the presidential office and a discussion of Mr. Reed's fitness for it. It is the first of a promised series upon the issues and some of the personalities of the forthcoming campaign.

We have to congratulate Mr. De la Fosse, the editor of Athletic Life, on the success of his bright periodical. The February number contains several articles of great interest. Mr. De la Fosse himself writes about the Toronto Athletic Club; Mr. S. B. Flower discusses Hockey in Canada, and Mr. James G. Merrick continues his paper on "The History of the University of Toronto Athletic Association." Amongst other contributors are Mr. C. H. Riggs and Mr. M.W. Sparrow.

Outing for February is excellent in text and illustrations. The contents are as follows: "The Llewelin Setter," by L. H. Smith; "Sweet Marjory," by Sarah Beaumont Kennedy; "Modern Snipe," by T. S. Van Dyke; "Shooting at Swatow," by A. B. Hoff; "The Wizard of the Cascade," by S. C. Kendall; "Hunting the California Lion," by L. D. Rees; "A Thread of Mystery," by Louise D. Mitchell; "Cruising on the Gulf," "Lenz's World Tour Awheel;" "Rugged Labrador," by R. G. Taber; "Cycling in Mid-Atlantic," by O. Howarth; "Paddling a Pipanti in Honduras," by E. W. Perry; "About the Balearics," by Chas. Edwards; "Rabbiting," by H. Rave; "The New Hampshire National Guard," by G. H. Moses; and the usual editorials, records, poems, etc.

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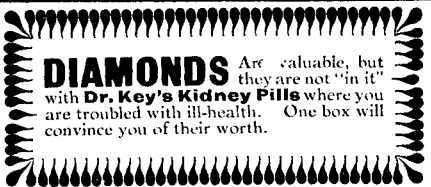
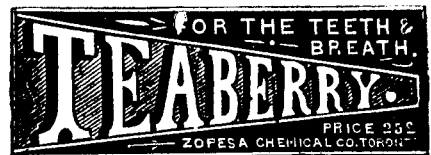
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