

eye, the philosophical mind, without which men may travel far and be little the wiser. Mr. Ballou follows the favourite route, by way of the Northern Pacific, with a *detour* through the wonders of the Yellowstone Park, with its marvellous canyons, its geysers and hot springs, to the Pacific coast. One need not go to Alaska for glaciers, for Mount Tacoma, in Washington Territory, has no less than fifteen, and the Selkirks and Rockies an indefinite number. Our tourist was well pleased with Victoria and the new city of Vancouver, rivalling in energy, prosperity, and rapidity of growth any city on the continent. He well calls the West Coast Indians "The Cossacks of the sea." The account given of Alaska corroborates all that has been written of the extraordinary wealth of its fisheries—both salmon and seal—of its furs and forests and mines. Our author pays a high tribute to the mission work being done among the Indians, confirming the statements made about the persecution encountered by Mr. Duncan and his Metlakahtlans. The sublimity of the Muir Glacier surpasses that of any other known to man. To Canadian readers, the account of the homeward journey via the Canadian Pacific Railway, will prove not the least interesting portion of the book. It is generally admitted that our northern route through the "sea of mountains" is the most magnificent of any of the great trans-continental roads.

People's Commentary on the Gospel of St. Luke. By EDWIN J. RICE, D.D. With maps and original illustrations. Pp. 336. Philadelphia: American Sunday School Union. Price, \$1.25 net.

We will venture to say that never before since the Gospel of St. Luke was written has it been so so devoutly studied and by so many human beings as it will be during this year of grace 1890. About 20,000,000 Sunday-school teachers and scholars will pore intently over

the sacred page; and the best thoughts of the world's best thinkers and profoundest Biblical scholars are being focused on this Gospel as never before. The effect on the young generation of Christendom of thus walking for a whole year in the footsteps of Jesus, and sitting at His feet, and learning of Him, only the great day shall reveal. One of the best of these compendious commentaries on Luke is that under review. Among its advantages are the authorized and revised versions in parallel columns, with critical, exegetical and applicative notes and illustrations, drawn from life and thought in the East. There are a number of engravings, many of them from photographs, which help materially to elucidate the text.

Eminent Methodist Women. By ANNIE E. KEELING, with steel portraits. London: Charles H. Kelly; and Methodist Book Rooms, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax.

Miss Keeling is an accomplished writer, and she has here an attractive theme. Among the "elect ladies" of Methodism here commemorated, are Susanna Wesley, Mrs. Fletcher, Lady Mary Fitzgerald, Hester Ann Rogers, Lady Maxwell, Barbara Heck, the Mother of American and Canadian Methodism, and several others, whose name and fame ought to be familiar to young Methodists everywhere. The book has several excellent steel portraits.

Methodist Episcopalianism. By MRS. G. W. CHANDLER. Pp. 132. New York: Hunt & Eaton. Price 65 cents.

This little book is the outcome of three papers prepared for the young Methodists of Cornell University. It contains a brief historic account of Methodism in the Old World and the New, and an exposition and defence of its institutions. It is an admirable book for Epworth League Societies.