The taking title of this little book for beginners in Canadian history¹ will draw attention to it, and there will be a good deal of pleasure among young readers over its pages. The volume is printed in large, clear type, and contains such selections as A Trip Through Canada To-Day, Long Ago in Canada, The Red-Man, The First White Man, Jacques Cartier, Marguerite de Roberval, or The French Girl on the Lonely Island, Champlain and the Indians, The Band of Heroes, Acadia and Its Sad Story, The Hero of Queenston Heights, and a number of other similar sketches. The author's fancy, of the maple and the chestnut listening to these stories, is a happy one, but the choice of the Exile of the Acadians for very young readers is not a happy one, and the story is not well told.

¹ STORIES OF THE MAPLE LAND, or Tales of the Early Days of Canada, for Children, by Miss Katherine A. Young, of Hamilton. Cloth; price, 25c. The Copp, Clark Co., Ltd., Toronto, publishers.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

MASTER SUNSHINE, by Mrs. C. F. Fraser, Halifax. Crowell & Co., Boston, publishers.

LOVE, by Hon. J. W. Longley, D. C. L. Copp, Clark & Co., publishers, Toronto.

Scenus from Shakespeare, by Mary A. Woods. London; Macmillan & Co., publishers.

The School Cookery Book, by Mary Harrison. London; Macmillan & Co.

Macaulay's Life and Writings of Addison, by R. F. Winch, M. A. London; Macmillan & Co.

NOVEMBER MAGAZINES.

Upon educational questions, in which the Atlantic is always strong and interesting, the November number offers three valuable papers. Hamilton W. Mabie pays a judicious and well-deserved tribute to the activity and energy of the great West in promoting educational literature by schools and associations; and Three School Superintendents detail many of the most crying evils of the public school system and indicate the remedies in matters which vitally concern the whole community....The leading place in the November number of Appleton's Popular Science Monthly is given to the examination, by Prof. E. S. Morse, of the ever-interesting question, Was America

Peopled from Asia? particularly with reference to the origin of the aboriginal civilization of America. The author finds the evidence in favor of the affirmative of the question insufficient. The Cause of Rain is found, by M. J. R. Plumandon, of the Observatory of the Puy de Dôme, to lie in condensation upon dust particles floating in the atmosphere.... The Century's first competition for college graduates has been awarded to Miss Grace M. Gallaher, and her story, A Question of Happiness, is given in the November number....With its November number, St. Nicholas begins a new volume and celebrates its twenty-fifth birthday. In honor of this anniversary the magazine dons a special cover. Notwithstanding its quarter of a century of existence, St. Nicholas is just as young as ever in spirit S. Parkes Cadman concludes his series on The Cathedrals of England in the November Chautauquan with scholarly descriptions and brief historic data of Westminster, York, Lincoln, Lichfield, Norwich, Wells, Gloucester and St. Paul's.... In the November Ladies' Home Journal, the editor Edward Bok, under the heading Fifteen Years of Mistakes, writes most interestingly of the growth of that magazine. Its circulation, he asserts, is 850,000, and it goes to nearly every civilized country on the globe.... The Canadian Magazine opens its twelfth volume with November, much to the delight of those who recognize the value of Canadian literature. appearance is healthy and encouraging, while its articles, stories and illustrations are equal to any 25-cent magazine in the world. The November number contains the first instalment of a new story by Joanna E. Wood, the famous Canadian who has written The Untempered Wind and Judith Moore.... The Forum, in an interesting article on Does College Education Pay? produces statistics to show that the one per cent of graduates, against 99 per cent of non-graduates, has furnished 36 per cent of the members of congress, 55 per cent of presidents and cabinet ministers, 69 per cent of judges and 86 per cent of chief justices....Littell's Living Age contains in its weekly issues the current thought of a great deal of the best English magazine literature.

Official Notice.

With the consent of the School Trustees, first obtained, teachers may substitute as a teaching day any Saturday in December in place of Friday, December 23rd, so that the school may be closed for the term on Thursday, December 22nd.

J. R. INCH,

Chief Superintendent of Education.

Fredericton, N. B., November 5th, 1898.

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