

# NEWS OF THE BOOK WORLD

## APRIL BEST SELLERS.

Below is a list of the six best selling books in the United States and Canada for March. The leader, both in Canada and the United States, is the "Port of Missing Men," by Nicholson. One feature is that "The Doctor" occupies the same position—No. 4—in each of the lists. It is gratifying to see the work of a Canadian author selling so well in the States, especially when that author is not only Canadian by birth, but permanently resides here, and draws his inspiration and material from Canadian sources.

### Canadian Summary.

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| 1. The Port of Missing Men, by Meredith Nicholson | 73 |
| 2. Cruise of the Shining Light, by Norman Duncan  | 16 |
| 3. Lone Furrow, by W. A. Fraser                   | 40 |
| 4. The Doctor, by Ralph Connor                    | 38 |
| 5. Running Water, by A. E. W. Mason               | 25 |
| 6. Dust of Conflict, by Harold Bindloss           | 20 |

### United States Summary.

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| 1. Port of Missing Men, by Meredith Nicholson | 328 |
| 2. Running Water, by A. E. W. Mason           | 165 |
| 3. Friday the 13th, by Thomas W. Lawson       | 144 |
| 4. The Doctor, by Ralph Connor                | 108 |
| 5. Hilma, by W. T. Eldridge                   | 73  |
| 6. Half a Rogue, by Harold McGrath            | 68  |

## PUBLISHING ACTIVITIES.

The publication of F. Marion Crawford's "Prima Donna," the sequel to his "Fair Margaret," has again been postponed until the autumn. The Macmillan Co., of Canada, are to be the publishers.

A new novel by William Stearns Davis, entitled "A Victor of Salamis," is announced for early publication by the Macmillan's. It deals with one of the most fascinating periods of ancient history.

The Macmillan Co., of Canada, are the publishers of "The New Theology," the book by the Rev. R. J. Campbell, of London, which has created such a stir. It is undoubtedly the most important theological book of the year. (\$1.50 net.)

Volume I of a "Cyclopedia of American Agriculture," edited by Professor L. H. Bailey, has just appeared through the Macmillan Co. It is a unique publication, issued for the benefit of farmers and is sold in sets only at \$5.00 net per volume.

The Macmillan Co. have just issued a new collection of stories by Israel Zangwill, entitled "Ghetto Tragedies" and have simultaneously issued a new edition of his "Ghetto Comedies."

The Musson Book Company have been delayed in the publication of their edition of "The Princess Virginia," by C. N. and A. M. Williamson. The book will be out about the middle of the month.

On or about May 25, the Musson Book Company will publish a new story by Marjorie Bowen, the juvenile authoress of "The Viper of Milan." It will be entitled "The Vale of Weeping."

McLeod & Allan have just issued their new novel by

R. W. Chambers, entitled "The Tree of Heaven." This book treats in Mr. Chambers' peculiar, imaginative style of the mysterious, the unexplained and the occult in everyday contemporary affairs. It is issued in cloth only at \$1.25. Mr. Chambers' novel, "The Younger Set," now being published serially in Appleton's Magazine, will be issued by the same firm about the end of August.

About the end of May, the Copp, Clark Co. will have ready their new Oppenheim novel to be published with the title, "The Secret," in cloth and paper editions, at \$1.25 and 75 cents.

For publication within the next month or two, the Copp, Clark Co. will have four first-class summer novels by popular authors. These will be, "The Nether Millstone," by F. M. White, "The Great Plot," by William le Queux, "The Man Who Was Dead," by A. W. Marchmont, and "Rising Fortunes," by John Oxenham. All four will appear in cloth and paper at \$1.25 and 75 cents.

The Copp, Clark Co. will shortly issue paper editions of "Prisoners," by Mary Cholmondeley; "Benita," by Max Pemberton; "The Second Book of Tobiah," by Una L. Silberrad and "On Common Ground," by Sydney H. Preston. (75 cents).

The Copp, Clark Co. are Canadian publishers of that highly amusing story by the author of "Pigs is Pigs," entitled, "Perkins of Portland." The character of Perkins is extremely diverting and his adventures in the field of advertising are highly amusing. (Cloth only, \$1.00).

The Macmillan Co., of Canada, expect shortly to publish Mr. Vachell's new novel, "Her Son." Their readers report that it is a story of remarkable strength and power and outclasses any of this author's former work.

William Briggs has just issued "Short Cruises," by W. W. Jacobs, a collection of those humorous sea stories, which only Jacobs can write. He has also "The New Chronicles of Rebecca," by Kate Douglas Wiggin.

The Copp, Clark Co. have just issued "The Man of the World," by Antonio Fogazzaro. This is the second book in the trilogy of which the third, "The Saint," was the first to be published in Canada. For copyright reasons the publishers are unable to use the original title, "The Sinner," for this book. (Cloth only, \$1.25).

New paper editions just ready at the Copp, Clark Company's office are "The Little Brown Mouse," by Madame Albanesi; "The Heart That Knows," by C. G. D. Roberts, and "Frank Brown," by F. T. Bullen. (75 cents).

The Macmillans' have issued a paper edition of Le Queux's "Invasion of 1910," which foretells an invasion of London by the Germans.

## NEW CANADIAN BRANCH.

Announcement is made in this issue that a Canadian Branch of Cassell & Co., Limited, London, will shortly be opened in Toronto, under the name Cassell's Canadian Publishing Co. The location of the branch has not yet been settled, but until such time as an announcement is made relative to this point, enquiries may be addressed to Cassell & Co., La Belle Sauvage, London, E.C. It is intended to push the sale of Cassell's books and periodicals in this country.