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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS IN MUSICAL GOODS.

A full and detailed catalogue of Christmas goods has been issued by Nerlich & Co. for the use of the retail trade. Besides giving full information regarding their staple lines of dolls, toys, etc., it also deals with those lines of which the firm are making a specialty this season.

Musical goods, for instance, are being specially pushed. The line includes violins, mandolins, guitars, banjos, symphoniums, music boxes, "Imperial" and "Empress" accordions, harmonicas in endless variety. The new "Clover" harmonica, with a one-piece brass cover, is a specialty in this variety of instruments.

The graphophone, which is now coming into very general use in Canada, both for business purposes and amusement, is likely



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to be very popular as a Christmas present. Either as a talking machine or a musical record it is a great entertainment to young and old, and the musical efforts of the machine include band airs, concert solos, etc., which take very well.

The late Principal Caird has left a considerable quantity of manuscript, which is being prepared for the press by his brother, the Master of Balliol. The addresses which were delivered annually to the University of Glasgow, will be published first, and it is hoped that this volume may appear in October. This will be followed by a volume of sermons delivered to the University of Glasgow, and by the Gifford lectures on natural theology, which were almost completed just before his illness. These volumes will be published by Messrs. MacLehose & Sons.

NEW LONDON BOOKS.

PRINCIPAL PARKIN'S BIOGRAPHY OF THRING—OTHER LITERARY ITEMS FROM THE CENTRE.

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DR. PARKIN, of Toronto, has written, and Macmillan has published, "A Life of Edward Thring, Headmaster of Uppingham School; Life, Diary and Letters," with portraits, in two volumes. The critics speak well of it.

The Marquis of Dufferin and Ava contributes to the forthcoming Cornhill a descriptive article on the siege of Bomarsund by the British and French fleets in the Summer of 1854. Lord Dufferin witnessed the siege from his yacht, the Foam. In a preliminary engagement he was on board the frigate Penelope under a heavy fire, and had several narrow escapes.

A novel on the vaccination question seems a curious development even for modern fiction—and it is no less curious that the author should be Rider Haggard. The story "deals with the results of the conscientious objector clause, under which the safety of many thousand children, and through them, of the community, is practically left in the hands of the anti-vaccinationist party," and it will be issued, under the title of "Dr. Therne," next month, by Messrs. Longmans.

In consequence of the death of Harold Frederic, the publication of his novel, "Gloria Mundi," is now delayed until November 1. Mr. Frederic had finally passed the proof sheets of this for press, and he also leaves another complete novel, which will appear in due course.

Of the sixpenny edition of R. D. Blackmore's "Lorna Doone," 150,000 copies were rapidly sold. As this edition has now been withdrawn, the cheapest is the half-crown one with the author's portrait.

Messrs. Methuen will publish, on Nov. 1, "Chitral; The Story of a Minor Siege," by Sir George Robertson, who was, at the time, British agent at Gilgit, and who has written the story of Chitral from the point of view of one actually besieged in the fort.

In Sir Herbert Maxwell's forthcoming biography of the Duke of Wellington there will be, besides a full-page photogravure portrait of the duke, pictures, on the same scale, of his leading generals, as also of Napoleon, Soult, Ney and Blucher. The life will be in two volumes, and the illustrations will be very numerous.

SMART SET'S STATIONERY.

White dies on a blue or gray-blue paper are what the smart woman affects this season. Gold and silver and the eccentric greens, pinks, yellows, and lilacs are only popular with the schoolgirl letter-writer,

who changes her colors and fads as easily as she pens twenty pages about nothing. The monogram placed across the upper left-hand corner is still in favor, but modest entwined initials placed straight on the left-hand upper corner and a one-line address in the centre of the upper part of the sheet are convenient, effective, and correct. White sealing wax is, of course, the proper thing for the blue envelope.

NEW MAP OF CANADA.

DOES anybody realize how much hard work has to be done in drawing a new map? In the case of Canada, which is a new country, the preparation of an accurate map, based on the latest topographical surveys, means an immense amount of careful work. The fact is, that there has not yet been a map of Canada embodying the fullest information regarding our northern districts, and in the preparation of their new Canadian map, The Copp, Clark Co., Limited, have found necessary a great many corrections, verifications and additions. The new map shows Canada on a much larger scale than do previous maps, especially the northern portion, as the extent shown covers from 40° to 83° north latitude. The map no longer gives one the impression that Canada is a "fringe" along the northern boundary of the United States. The enormous size of Hudson Bay, 540,000 square miles, that is, 900 miles long and 600 broad, is shown more clearly than in other maps. All the explorations of Mr. Ogilvie, Mr. Lowe and other traveling members of the Geological Survey are being embodied with a thoroughness which entails a large number of corrections, especially regarding the shape of the northern lakes and the courses of the rivers. In the Yukon, all the towns are marked, as well as the various routes into the country. The boundaries of all our new western divisions, including Franklin, are correctly given. The international boundary line is drawn in accordance with the latest data. The railways in the west are all named, and the National Parks, the coal areas, the gold mining districts, are all features of the map. The projected railways to Hudson Bay from Winnipeg and to James Bay from Toronto are marked. Perhaps the most revolutionary feature of the new map is the alteration in the spelling of many northern names, which are wrong on the maps now in use, and which have been corrected by official authority. As the new map is not a copy of any other, but comes near to being a national work of very considerable magnitude, it is probable that its appearance will arouse a good deal of public interest. It is finely colored and mounted.

The memoir of the Duchess of Teck may be expected about the first of next year. Kinloch Cooke, the author, has been able to draw for his materials on the voluminous notes in the diary which the indefatigable Princess regularly kept.