

of the most interesting contributions is the first instalment of "Through the Sub-Arctics of Canada," by J. W. Tyrell, who, in 1893, travelled 3,200 miles, by canoe and snow shoe, from Edmonton to Winnipeg. Several good features are announced for the October number. Ian Maclaren's story, "Kate Carnegie," is still running, and will be concluded by January.

*Massey's Magazine* continues to improve with each new number. The September issue contains a quantity of most interesting matter, and the illustrations are very good. B. R. Atkins' article on "Placer Mining in British Columbia," and Frank L. Pollock's paper on "Cuba in War Time," are timely and readable. *Massey's* is published in Toronto by the Massey Press.

The *Kindergarten News* has been enlarged and improved, beginning with the September number, and the price has been advanced from fifty cents to one dollar. In its new form, the magazine is well worth the increased price to those interested in kindergarten work. The *News* is published by the Milton, Bradley Company, Springfield, Mass.

The *Atlantic Monthly* for September contains an interesting educational article on "Teaching the Spirit of Literature," by Professor W. P. Trent, in which the ground is taken that literature is valuable only as appealing to the imagination of children. Professor Trent also advocates the doing away with examinations in the subject entirely, and believes that the teacher's duty is to enable the pupil to appreciate literature first, and to criticise it afterwards. "The Problem of the West," by Professor Frederick J. Turner, and "The Election of the President," by the historian, John B. McMaster, have a timely hearing on the political situation. Kate Douglas Wiggin's new novel, "Marm Lisa," is to appear serially in the *Atlantic*, the first instalment being given in the September number. It promises to be a most interesting story.

Under the able editorship of Dr. A. S. Johnson, *Current History* sustains its enviable reputation in the number for the second quarter of 1896. An unusually clear statement of the positions taken by the various parties in the political war which is at the present time going on in the United States, is given. The remainder of this splendid number of