

"The Departure of Charles Haddon Spurgeon—Part II.," by the editor-in-chief, Arthur T. Pierson, D.D.; "Are Mission Converts a Failure?—Part II.," by Rev. Archibald Trumbull, B.D.; "The Training of Missionaries," by Rev. Edward Storrow. The "Monthly Concert of Missions" is devoted to "Siam," written by Rev. F. F. Ellinwood. Other departments have the usual interest and variety.

*The Preacher's Magazine* for February and March. We have had occasion to remark before on the excellency of this monthly; of its kind, it occupies a very front rank. Especially valuable are its sermonic outlines, giving just enough of material for the thoughtful student, without catering in any way to the lazy man. Its articles are solid without being heavy; for illustration, see the sharp incisive notes on the Sunday School lessons. Especially timely are the address on "Games and Gambling" in the February number, by Rev. S. C. Keeble, and "Present Day Preaching," a sermon by Hugh Price Hughes, in the March number. Among evangelical preachers, Mark Guy Pearse is a very prince, and his two sermons on "The Secret of Successful Work," and "The Cloud of Witnesses and Ourselves," are full of quaint, terse sentences, enforcing great truths, and enriched with telling illustrations gleaned from many sources. The diligent student will always find this magazine a mine of wealth, and he who is interested in Bible study cannot well do without it. What is specially noticeable about this "up to date" magazine, is its unpretentiousness. Without setting itself up as an authority in Scriptural interpretation, it abounds in wise counsel and helpful thought.

THERE are some magazines that when read you throw lightly aside or lend to your neighbor, not caring whether you see them again or not; then there are the treasured few that are laid carefully aside for the binder's hands. Among these latter, *Christian Thought* always demands a place. Though the present number, for February, is a little behind the high standard Dr. Deems usually sets before us, yet any one of the articles is well worth the price of the magazine. Profound in its research, scholarly in its interpretation, suggestive in its side lights thrown on spiritualism, *et al.*, is the article on "The Influence of Association," by Dr. Wilbur, while it also expounds at considerable length the laws that regulate the association of ideas, and the part these laws play in the mental and moral development of mankind. Original in conception, if a little too strained at certain points, is "Calvinism and Art," by Doctor Abraham Kuyper, translated by Rev. Hendrik De Vries, of New York. It is at all events a very striking development of æsthetic principles within the rigid pale of Calvinism. The purpose of the article is to enter a protest against the slander, "that in unhistoric circles was heard against our Calvinism, as if it only taught the despising of art, and left not its side lights behind it, in that delightful world of art, which immediately after the Puritanic age came to charm the eye." We admire the skill of the reasoner though we cannot always admit the truth of the logic adduced to prove this. "Matter and Man," a paper read by Doctor Millard before the American Institute of Christian Philosophy, is a carefully worked out examination of the claims of agnosticism to dominate the thought of man. It and revelation are carefully contrasted both in their demands and their influence on man's life, and so incisively is the whole matter set before the ordinary reader, that with the author, in the concluding paragraph, you seem to stand in the audience chamber of the heavens, bowing in humble adoration before the presence of God.