

NOTES ON CURRENT LITERATURE.

THE CENTURY for July contains, besides what we predicted last month, a timely contribution by Mr. Charles Barnard, profusely illustrated, on "Inland Navigation of the United States," with a brief accompanying paper by Mrs. van Rensselaer on the "Advance in Steamboat Decoration." "Women in Early Ireland" is the illustrated paper in Mr. de Kay's Irish series. Bishop Hurst, in his article, "The Temperance Question in India," gives results of a recent visit to that country and discusses a subject recently brought to the attention of the British Parliament. Rev. Dr. J. M. Buckley gives many curious instances and much good advice in his article on "Presentments, Visions and Apparitions." The "Topics of the Time" are "The Day of Independence," "The Summer Exodus and What it Testifies" and "Outdoor Sports." The "Open Letter" are on "Industrial Education for the Negro," "Imperial Federation," "One Reason of the Inefficiency of Women's Work," and others.

IN THE JULY ST. NICHOLAS the opening story deals with revolutionary times, and particularly with a devoted old Whig who had vowed to wear the same coat until the war was decided. His chagrined grand-daughters try a shrewd device to make their grandfather ashamed of his worn-out garment, but he is enabled to outwit them and keep his vow. The story is stirring, elevated in style and sentiment, and by a new writer. Following this is "Louis the Resolute," which is, virtually, the true story of a boy who walked from his home in Massachusetts to Washington and secured for himself, by personal application to President Lincoln, an appointment to Annapolis. There is a bright little sketch by Eliza Scidmore of the Prince Imperial of Japan, with a portrait, and a stirring description of his hand-to-hand conflict with a small American boy whose hat His Imperial Highness had knocked off; with a great variety of exceedingly pretty things: "The Bunny Stories," "Mermaids and their Pets," "Soap Bubbles," and "Tiger."

THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS (American Ed., Potter Building, N.Y.) has during the past four weeks presented its readers with the usual amount of excellencies, in both illustration and reading matter. Rider Haggard's story, "Cleopatra," is completed in the July 13th number, and one by Wilkie Collins, "Blind Love," is to be commenced in the next number. In "My Notebook," by James Payn, among many other things, we find, July 13, a blow at Pasteur. Mr. Payn says: "His opponents even affirm that 'there have been more cases of

death from hydrophobia in Paris since he began his researches than before,' and that 'M. Pasteur is very angry with the Australians for rejecting his loathsome plan of destroying their rabbits by inoculating them with an infectious disease.'" Payn usually cuts deeply.

THE SPIRIT OF MANUAL TRAINING will be set forth by Prof. C. H. Henderson, of Philadelphia, in an article which is to open the August Popular Science Monthly. Prof. Henderson says that the ideal school will aim to develop men, not to produce fine articles of wood or iron, or to cram heads with information, and that the name "manual-training school" does not rightly describe an institution designed to train the "whole boy." A suggestive article on the wastes of modern civilization, by Felix M. Oswald, M.D., will appear in the August Popular Science Monthly. Dr. Oswald points out a number of ways in which the resources of the modern world are used up with no care for their replenishment or in producing useless or harmful results. Mr. Malloch on Optimism is the title of a critical article which Mr. W. D. LeSueur will contribute to the August Popular Science Monthly.

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