

NEW ENGLISH BOOKS ANNOUNCED.

ANTHONY HOPE WRITES A NOVEL ON DISRAELI.

THE AUTHOR OF "THE GREAT LONE LAND" AGAIN—A SERIES FOR 1900—A BOOK ABOUT KITCHENER—SOME OF THE NEW NOVELS—A BATCH OF BIOGRAPHIES—
A CHEAP EDITION OF LORD ROBERTS' INDIAN EXPERIENCES—
ANDREW LANG'S HISTORY OF SCOTLAND.

LONDON, Sept. 30, 1898.

GENERAL SIR WILLIAM BUTLER, who gained considerable distinction as a writer by his well-known work on the Canadian Northwest, entitled "The Great Lone Land," is engaged on a biography of Sir George Pomeroy Colley, who was killed on Majuba Hill in the Boer campaign in 1881.

Mr. Theodore Watts-Dunton's "Aylwin," the much-talked-of romance of the art world, will appear in England and America about the middle of next month. Hurst & Blackett are the English publishers.

Sands & Co. have ready for immediate publication a new novel by Charles Edwardes, entitled "Shadowed by the Gods; a Tale of Old Mexico." The novel deals with that most interesting period of history, the time of Montezuma II.

THE NEW CENTURY SERIES.

Mr. Heinemann has in preparation a series of twelve volumes, which will be entitled, "A View of the World in 1900." The series will commence publication at the beginning of next year, and will be completed early in 1900. Professor H. J. Mackinder, of Oxford, is the editor. The following volumes will be the first to appear: "Britain and the North Atlantic," by the editor; "Scandinavia and the Arctic Ocean," by Sir Clements R. Markham; "France and the Mediterranean," by Elisee Reclus; "Central Europe," by Professor Joseph Partsch; "Africa," by Dr. J. Scott Keltie; "The Near East," by D. G. Hogarth; "The Russian Empire," by Prince Kropotkin; "India," by Colonel Sir Thomas Holdich; and "Australasia and Antarctica," by Dr. H. O. Forbes. Mr. Archibald Little will write on "The Far East," and two American authorities on North and South America.

SUDAN LITERATURE.

"With Kitchener to Khartoum," by G. W. Stevens, will be published immediately by Wm. Blackwood & Sons. The chapters dealing with the fall of Khartoum were telegraphed from the front by Mr. Stevens, and by this means a volume on the expedition will be in the hands of readers within a few days of the completion of the campaign.

Sampsons & Low have just issued a six-penny edition of Father Ohrwalder's "Ten Years' Captivity in the Mahdi's Camp,"

edited by Col. Wingate, the chief of the Sirdar's Intelligence Department. The Father was in charge of the Austrian mission at Kordofan, and was the first European to escape from the Soudan after the murder of General Gordon in 1885. His book and that of Slatin Pasha have formed the groundwork of numberless articles during the last few weeks.

SOME NEW NOVELS.

An announcement which will attract attention is that Anthony Hope has just finished a novel of which the central figure is Disraeli, of whom the author makes a careful and critical delineation.

Max Pemberton's forthcoming book, "The Phantom Army," which will be issued by C. Arthur Pearson, Limited, is an attempt to depict the life of a man who has the Napoleonic idea that he can go anywhere or do anything, given certain conditions.

"Graham Travers," the author of the successful story "Mona Maclean, Medical Student," has written a new novel, entitled "Windyhaugh," which Blackwood & Sons are to publish. "Graham Travers," is really Dr. Margaret Todd, formerly a distinguished student of the Edinburgh School of Medicine for Women, and now assistant physician to the Edinburgh hospital for women and children.

Miss Edna Lyall's new novel, "Hope, the Hermit," will be published by Longmans, Green & Co. next month. It is a story of the seventeenth century, with the scenes laid chiefly in Keswick and London. George Fox and Archbishop Tillotson are among the real characters introduced.

Messrs. Methuen will publish, in a few days, C. F. Kearey's new novel, "The Journalist," which is largely concerned with a picture of a contemporary English literary society, and with the introduction therein of a foreign element in the person of a man imbued with the doctrines of Nietzsche.

ITEMS ABOUT MAGAZINES.

Mrs. Ada S. Ballin, the proprietor and editor of Baby, intends to publish a new magazine, called Womanhood. It will deal with legal, political and social matters affecting the well-being and interests of women.

The New Penny Magazine is the title of Messrs. Cassell & Co.'s new weekly periodical, of which the first number is to appear on Oct. 19. It promises to provide a

greater amount of reading matter and illustrations than has been hitherto given for a penny in any magazine. Each issue is to contain 64 large pages, fully illustrated.

A distinguished body of writers and artists has been secured for the first number of The Girl's Realm, to be ready next month, including the Duchess of Somerset, Frances Hodgson Burnett, the Lord Bishop of Ripon, Rosa Nouchette Carey, G. F. Watts, R.A., the Queen of Roumania, S. R. Crockett, Lady Ramsden, Walter Crane, Lady Butler, Mary E. Mann, Ellis Roberts, Lady Eden, Alice Corkran, and Madame Darmesteter. The first number will also include not less than 140 illustrations.

BIOGRAPHIES.

Hutchinson & Co. will publish, at once, a biographical work on the wives of the Georges, Queen Adelaide, and the Electress Sophia, under the title of "Six Royal Ladies of the House of Hanover," by Sarah Tytler. The book will contain portraits of these ladies.

Smith, Elder & Co. announce for issue, to-day, Augustine Birrell's biography of Sir Frank Lockwood. It will include two portraits of him, facsimiles of two of his letters, and some examples of his humorous sketches.

Macmillan & Co. have in hand a study of Cardinal Newman as an Anglican and as a Catholic, by E. S. Purcell, author of the much discussed "Life of Cardinal Manning." The volume will include some interesting correspondence.

"A Memoir of Her Royal Highness Princess Mary Adelaide, Duchess of Teck," is to be the title of the work upon which C. Kinloch Cooke has been for some months engaged. The memoir is to be in one volume, will contain portraits and illustrations, and be published by Mr. Murray.

A special cheap edition of Lord Roberts' "Forty-one Years in India" is in course of preparation, and will be published immediately in one volume by Messrs. Macmillan. The new edition will contain the whole of the text and appendices which are comprised in the two volume edition, and will likewise include all the maps and illustrations, together with some portraits which have not hitherto appeared. The work in its larger form has run through no fewer than twenty-nine editions.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Andrew Lang's Christmas book this year will consist of selections from "The Arabian Nights' Entertainments," published by Longmans & Co. The illustrations, which in his previous volumes of this character formed such an attractive feature, will be supplied by H. J. Ford.