

## BOOKS AND PERIODICALS—Continued.

ing the popularity of this clever and amusing book, the publishers have issued a handsome edition in a striking cover specially designed for the book. As will be seen by the accompanying cut, the artist illustrates the story very effectively. The irony of situation is strikingly enforced. A millionaire stranded in London, without money or identification papers, is forced by the extremity of his position to the last resort, the poorhouse, where he breaks stones for his living.

The interest is sustained throughout, and issued in this attractive edition, with a cover design in two colors, it will doubtless prove a leader for Summer reading.

A NEW CORELLI BOOK.

In announcing a new novel by this popular author, the publishers have pleasure in ad-

vising the trade that this new long story is the most important volume by Marie Corelli published for some years, and the first issued since the author's serious illness.

It is entitled "Boy," and the author dedicates it to her dearest friend, Bertha Vyver.

This versatile author is so well and favorably known that the announcement of her new book is of special interest to the trade. As the title indicates, the book is a departure from the lines of her previous works. She has studied "Boy's" career from babyhood to manhood, and, in describing the results of his environment, discusses the problem of present-day civilization—responsibility of parents to their children. "Boy" is not a creature of the imagination who overcomes all difficulties, but is, indeed, most natural, and, therefore, interesting, from his babyhood days, when, amazed at his drunken father staggering and swearing, he lisped "Poo Sing," to his death on the field of Colenso. The reader will follow with absorbing interest the life, not alone of the Boy, but also of his friends who tried to rescue him from the debasing home influence of a drunken father and sloven mother.

W. J. Gage & Co. will publish "Boy" this month, and, as it is a handsome volume of 352 pages, it will, doubtless, have a ready sale among the author's many admirers.

THE COPP,  
CLARK CO.'S  
NEW BOOKS.

"London to Ladysmith via Pretoria," by Lieut. Winston L. Spencer Churchill, published by The Copp, Clark Co., Limited, is having big sales.

The book promises to be the most interesting one. Paper, 75c.; cloth, \$1.50.

Mrs. C. N. Williamson, author of "The Barn Stormers," has just written a thrilling romance of the present South-African War. The title, "Ordered South," is a taking one, and may have been suggested by that line in "The Absent-Minded Beggar," "A gentleman in khaki ordered south." Lady Kathryn Catling is the most conspicuous character in the book. A recent critic has compared her to Lady Macbeth, and she is certainly a fiend in woman's dress, her plots and diabolical schemes keeping the reader at a high pitch of excitement throughout. There are other people in the book, however, who are very charming, and seem all the more so by contrast.

The Copp, Clark Co., Limited, are also the publishers of several recent books, which are admirably adapted for Summer reading. For example, there is the humorous work of Jerome K. Jerome, "Three Men on Wheels," which is full of mirth-provoking scenes likely to prove entertaining in these bicycling days.

"The Master of Craft," by Mr. Jacobs, is another work which is decidedly amusing, and is emphatically a Summer book in this sense. The latest book by Stanley Weyman, "Sophia," is one of the best historical romances which have come from the press in recent years, and there can be very little doubt but that it will please all the admirers of Mr. Weyman, who were delighted with his previous series. In the same category of Summer novels should be mentioned "Feo," which is already selling splendidly, and will certainly do well all Summer. It is a love story with a large element of dramatic interest running through it, and cannot fail to go well in the paper edition.

Mention should also be made of "The Garden of Eden," by Blanche Willis Howard, which is one of the most charming American books which have recently been published, and which is well calculated to please Canadian readers.

It is seldom that a Canadian novel of a distinctive Canadian type meets with any actual success on the open

market of its own country. The demand for a national literature is too frequently limited by a marked hesitancy on the part of the public to buy, or the dealer to advertise, any book that deals with scenes and characters side by side with the realities of everyday life. The recent story by Mr. A. R. Carman, of Montreal, "The Preparation of Ryerson Embury" has, however, surmounted the obstacles that oppose a "home tale" and has met in Canada, as well as in England, with instant



From "The Biography of a Grizzly."

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James Lane Allen, author of "The Choir Invisible," is soon to bring out another book, "The Reign of Law." Those who have been charmed with Mr. Allen's genius for Southern stories, will be delighted to hear that his new book tells a tale of Kentucky, and at the close of the Civil War. (Paper, 75c.; cloth, \$1.25. The Copp, Clark Co., Limited.)

From the same publishing house comes "Princess Xenia," by H. B. Marriott-Watson, being the story of an imaginary German State, in which an Englishman of immense wealth endeavors to play the part of Providence. His interference with State affairs makes an exciting plot, which thickens until a grand climax is reached.

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