

BOOKS OF THE MONTH—Continued.

life, made up of heterogeneous nationalities, Mr. Gibbons, out of his 15 years' experience, has depicted with insight and dramatic power. The motive is uplifting, the action constant and the story altogether absorbing.

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"The Little Green God," by Mrs. Carolina A. Mason. This is a story on the question of, "Is Hinduism making headway in America?" It looks so in some localities where so-called Christian churches are opening their doors to lecture in praise of it. Here we have a story, indeed a pugent satire, witty, humorous, pathetic, and, of course, terribly in earnest and serious in meaning. It is the story of a returned missionary from India, who beholds to his amazement the heathenism of half-hearted Christianity, and he ultimately turns his back on so-called Christian America to seek refuge in heathen India. This little book will make a sensation (Revell, 75c.).

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Announcement of a new story by Miss Marshall Saunders, of Halifax, will interest a large constituency of Canadian readers. Miss Saunders entitles her new story "Joe's Paradise; or The Island of Brotherly Love." It is a sequel to "Beautiful Joe." "Joe's Paradise" is a book hard to describe, because it has no exact parallel. It is one of the most original books for children of all growths that has appeared for years; even those who are familiar with Miss Saunders' previous delightful stories will find a surprise awaiting them when they open the enchanting pages of "Joe's Paradise." It is a book bubbling over with boyish spirits, and the gayest, most fantastic humor; a lovely wonder-story, attuned to that spirit of marvels so dear to the childish heart, so far from the merely skilful writer's attainment; a book appealing to every lover of animals, a tale so genuine, so touching in its quality that tears are almost ready to follow in the wake of laughter, as one reads. In short, the children of to-day are going to have the time of their lives; and the children of to-morrow have a classic in store for them.

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A new story by J. P. Mowbray, the author of "A Journey to Nature" and "The Making of a Country Home," is announced for early issue in a Canadian edition. The title of the new story is "Tangled up in Beulah Land." It abounds in the delicious appreciations of nature that made "A Journey to Nature" an instant and universal favorite. Next to a trip to Muskoka would be a quiet reading of Mowbray's book to get into the very heart of nature.

The famous Negro educationalist, T. Booker Washington, principal of the famous Tuskegee Institute, and altogether the most remarkable man that his race has yet produced on this continent, has written a new book entitled "The Making of Character." It is a collection of the lectures given to the students of the institute. The personality of the author gives interest to everything that comes from his pen, and no doubt this new book, although the theme is by no means novel, will have a wide sale.

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Rev. S. J. Allin, of London, has written a brochure entitled "Christian Science, False and True," published this month by William Briggs. The subject matter was originally prepared for a paper read before the Methodist Ministerial Association of London, and was published by request of the Association. If Christian Science is not demolished it will not be for lack of literature with an earnest intention to destroy its foundations.

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"Enoch Walked with God," is the title of an essay written by Mr. C. B. Keenleyside, of London, and published in pamphlet form, with an introduction by Rev. Chancellor Burwash.

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The growing popularity of "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" is one of the features of the book trade this year. It is said to be selling at 10,000 per month. The third Canadian edition is already exhausted. No doubt the book owes its sale to the possession of the quality that gave "David Harum" its popularity and that established Dickens in the affection of book-lovers for all time to come, namely, the spirit of humanity, with its humor and pathos and good-nature.

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The latest addition to the splendid series of nature books of recent publication is a work on "American Food and Game Fish." It is described as a "popular account of all the species found in America north of the Equator, with keys for ready identification, life histories and methods of capture." The authors are David Starr Jordan, Ph.D., president of Leland Stanford Junior University, and Barton Warren Evermann, Ph.D., Ichthyologist of the United States Fish Commission. It is a sumptuous volume of close on 600 pages, with colored plates and text drawings, and with photographs from life by A. Radclyffe Dugmore.

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Marie Corelli's new story, "Temporal Power: A Study in Supremacy," will not be published until late in the Summer. Methuen & Co. are the English publishers, William Briggs the Canadian. The story is said to be a singularly striking and powerful one, dealing with a subject which has never before been treated in fiction, and ultimately touching upon certain topics which have for some time been uppermost in the minds of many people. In length, the book is only slightly shorter than "The Master Christian." The author desires it to be known that this romance does not treat of the possessions of the Pope, but of a still more powerful potentate.

WINNIPEG BOOK TRADE.

TRADE in heavy stationery and office supplies is quiet. This is the usual condition of affairs during July and August. The lighter class of magazines are selling well, but in this respect there is a difference from former years, owing to so much wet weather. A great many families that are usually at local Summer resorts during June have, this year, remained at home, and apparently have found something else to divert their minds, as they have not bought the usual quota of light literature.

In the matter of books to come interest centres just now in "Colin of the 9th Concession," by R. L. Richardson, ex-M.P., and editor of The Tribune. One gentleman who has been privileged to read the MSS., reports it as a cross between "David Harum" and "The Man from Glen-garry." It is understood that Mr. Richardson has worked on the book at intervals for the last 20 years.

"Heralds of Empire" has not met with the ready sale of "Lords of the North," and the majority of opinion in the West is that Miss Laut has injured, rather than added to, her reputation by its production.

If the author of "The Leopard's Spots" dreamed he was going to rival "Uncle Tom's Cabin," he must by this time have had a sad awakening. It is worth reading for all that; anyone who believes as fiercely in the justice of their cause claims a certain amount of respect, no matter how wrong-headed they may be. There are some glaring mistakes in the matter of dates, etc., but that does not take from the interest materially.

"The House With the Green Shutters" has not had any great run in the West, possibly because it is so utterly at variance with all Western ideals and standards.

Gilbert Parker's "Right of Way" still continues to sell and is perhaps more admired than when it first came out.

"The Childerhouse Mystery," by Guy Boothby, is a good tale for an idle afternoon. There is mystery and murder, but it ends happily, and will not occasion either sleepless nights or bad dreams.

Best selling books are in the order given as follows: "Truth Dexter," "Right of Way," "Rock Haven," "House with the Green Shutters," "Dorothy Vernon."

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