

thoughts of all Christians. A large number of excellent pictures of places and scenery give it a special interest and value. Through the aid of its pictures and Dr. Talmage's wonderful descriptions accompanying them, the book brings Palestine to our dwelling places. "From manger to throne" marks a new era in the literature of Bible Lands. It is sold on the exclusive territory basis, and persons desiring to secure it, or agencies, should address the Methodist Book Room, Toronto, Ont.

THE ILLUSTRATED NEWS OF THE WORLD (Am. edition Illustrated Lond. News) keeps up its high reputation admirably. Since the charming Christmas number it gives a great many sketches of scenes:—"At Baruc," "Valley of San Roque," "Mashonaland Expedition, South Africa," "On the Yanisei River," "Seal Hunting on Board the Biscaya" and from the Christmas plays at the theatre, very pretty; also numerous portraits of eminent men and handsome full page pictures—"Three Heads better than One," "Elena," "A Stolen Tryst," "A Proposal," "The Good Shepherd," etc. A New Story, by W. Clark Russell, "My Danish Sweetheart," illustrated, commences with the number for January 17.

THE CENTURY for January is a rather exceptionally attractive number. We find some fine scenes "Along the Lower James," and pictures by Kenyon Cox; "Among the Mongols of the Azure Lake," and "Pioneer Families in California," both profusely illustrated. There is a long thrilling illustrated article, "A Romance of Morgan's Rough Riders,—The Raid, the Capture and the Escape." The highly interesting "Memoirs of Talleyrand" are commenced in this number and will attract many readers. His strange childhood, how he went into society, his mission to England and visit to America, are touched upon.

THE GRAPHIC, Chicago, is sustaining its well earned reputation as a three-dollar illustrated weekly family paper of the highest order. The Christmas number was a specially artistic one. Since that issue we find a very pretty double page picture, "Friends or Foes,"—children meeting a herd of fawns; "Blossoms of New Years;" Sketches, proposed, of the World's Fair; "Old America Revived"; "Churches of Chicago"; and a "Birds eye view of the site of the World's Fair."

THE POPULAR SCIENCE MONTHLY for February will contain the conclusion of Dr. Andrew D. White's paper from Babel to Comparative Philology, also that of Prof. Huxley's discussion

of The Aryan Question and Prehistoric Man, with the usual amount of excellent reading matter of a highly scientific, entertaining and instructive character.

THE DOMINION ILLUSTRATED, in its enlarged and improved form, should be a weekly visitor in most Canadian homes. The enterprising publishers, who seek to greatly increase the circulation of this journal, and also to induce their subscribers to cultivate the habit of careful reading, have hit upon a scheme that will be of mutual benefit. They will, during the next six months, distribute over \$3,000 in prizes for answers to questions, the material for which will be found in current numbers of the journal itself. The first prize is \$750 in gold. There are 100 prizes in all. On receipt of 12 cents in stamps, the publishers (The Sabiston Litho. & Pub Co., Montreal) will send a sample copy and all particulars. The well established reputation of The Dominion Illustrated is an ample guarantee that faith will be kept with subscribers.

THE METHODIST MAGAZINE this January begins its 33rd volume. The number is a capita one. It is considerably enlarged, and is more copiously illustrated than ever. The romantic region of the Black Forest is fully described with pen and pencil in two articles. Lord Brassey gives an account of the return voyage of the Sunbeam after the lamented death of Lady Brassey. The Rev. Mr. Bond in his charming "Vagabond Vignettes" gives an account of the journey from Baalbec over the two Lebanons to Beyrout and Sidon. Rev. M. R. Knight begins what promises to be an important series on the Canadian poets, with a monograph. A new department of Popular Science is introduced with two papers—on "The Wonders of a Celestial Journey," and "The Former Level of the Upper Lakes," A thrilling Irish story of the Siege of Derry is given.

THE COSMOPOLITAN is really a most admirable publication at only \$2.40 a year. The Detroit Free Press says of it: "It would be almost a relief to the reviewer if it would give one an excuse to say an ill-natured thing about it now and then, but it does not. It is uniformly good. Its managers show the utmost enterprise, not only in the selection of contributions, but in the careful attention to detail in mechanical matters. There is not in all this country, distinguished as it is for the excellence of its work in this line, a magazine better printed, better illustrated or more thoroughly creditable than is the Cosmopolitan."