

Last year two articles Mr. E. Zay, of Paris appeared by in the *Revue Numismatique*. In these articles, under the title, *Notice sur Quelques Monnaies des Colonies Francaises*, Mr. Zay describes, among others, all the coins struck for Canada under the old regime. One coin which he describes is altogether new to us. In his researches he had hunted up some of the original documents in which the order was given for the striking of these early colonial coinages. These documents, which he prints in full, show clearly that the *Gloriam Regni* and what are called the Louisiana pieces of 1721 and 1722 were struck for and circulated in Canada.

Papers have also been written on kindred subjects by Mr. James Stevenson, of Quebec, two of which may be noticed; "The Currency of Canada after the Capitulation," and "The Card Money of Canada." A number of other works have appeared relating to the currency which need not be mentioned here.

The number of works that had already appeared on the subject would seem to have precluded anyone else entering the field, but to-day we have before us a copy of CANADIAN NUMISMATICS, a catalogue of the coins, tokens and medals, of the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland," by R. W. McLachlan. This work describes six hundred and nineteen coins and medals nearly a third of which are here mentioned for the first time. As is stated in the preface, the work is mainly a reprint of articles that appeared in the *American Journal of Numismatics*, and as the first two of these articles were printed in 1880 and they were not written with the expectation that the work would reach such proportions, the earlier pages are somewhat incomplete. One defect in the work is that there is no historical sketch of the coinage and currency of the Dominion. This defect is, to some extent, made up by the short historical notes following the description of each coin. These notes add much to the interest of the book and relieve it of the dry-