

BOOK BREVITIES

THE FLEMING H. REVELL CO. have recently brought out two or three novels of undoubted charm. The first, "The Bondage of Ballinger," by Eugene Field's brother, Roswell Field, is the story of a dear old book lover; the second, "On the Road to Acadia," by Mabel Nelson Thurston, is a romance of an outdoor girl, with scene laid on the hills near Washington; and a good third is Margaret E. Sangster's "Eleanor Lee," which requires no further recommendation than its author's name.

Two striking figures in the religious life of England to-day are Hugh Black and W. J. Dawson. Works by both men are being published in this country by The Fleming H.



Albert R. Carman,

Author of "The Prisoners," "The Preparation of Ryerson Embury," etc.

Revell Co. An edition de luxe of Black's "Friendship," is appearing, and simultaneously his new book, "Work," is being put on the market. A volume of sermons entitled "The Reproach of Christ," is Mr. Dawson's contribution to our literature.

A clever story entitled "In Music's Thrall," by Lilla Nense, a Canadian lady, is announced for early issue by William Briggs.

Miss Laut has made a further essay into the early history of the West, in a work entitled "Pathfinders of the West." Among the great explorers whose adventures are described are Radisson and Grosseillers, the organizers of the Hudson's Bay Company; the Verendryes, father and son, the first traders to push their way clear across the continent to the Rockies; Hearne and Mackenzie, the great fur trade explorers of the north, and Lewis and Clark,

the first white men to make official exploration from the Missouri to the Pacific.

"Our Own and Other Worlds," is the title of a popular work on astronomy from the pen of Rev. Joseph Hamilton, D.D., of Mimico, shortly to be published by William Briggs.

Mrs. Ballington-Booth's book, "After Prison- What?", has a unique interest. It is a plea for the boys of the prison and is the result of seven years' experience among convicts. Revell Company.

Many thousands will be interested in the news that Mr. F. Hopkinson Smith has at last given to the public some further details in the career of the celebrated Colonel Carter of Carterville. The new story, the title of which is "Colonel Carter's Christmas," will be published early in November. (The Copp, Clark Co.)

A Puritan edition of "The Pilgrim's Progress," is to be published by The Fleming H. Revell Co. The text is the most accurate obtainable, and the illustrations are striking.

A temperance story, entitled, "The Old Orchard," by a clergyman who uses the pen-name of "Mack Cloie," is announced for issue during the present month, by William Briggs. The scene is laid in the county of Middlesex, Ontario.

"The Bar Sinister," by Richard Harding Davis, is one of the best dog stories which have been written in recent years. The original of the bull-terrier in the story is known to his intimates as "Kid." He made his first appearance in the show world in 1900 at Toronto. The book is beautifully presented with eight full-page drawings in color and numerous marginal illustrations by E. M. Ashe. (The Copp, Clark Co.)

"A History of the Central Presbyterian Church, of Galt," prepared by the present incumbent, Rev. J. A. R. Dickson, Ph.D., is being issued by William Briggs. The records cover nearly a half-century, and Dr. Dickson's writing has covered the last twenty-four years.

"Dr. Xavier" is the title of Max Pemberton's new book. The increasing sense of mystery and the perpetual charm that pervade all of Mr. Pemberton's stories are here, if anything, in larger measure. Dr. Xavier, the scientist and magician, is skilfully depicted, while the subordinate personages lend an added air of mystery to a cleverly-written tale. (The Copp, Clark Co.)

A work entitled "The White Chief of the Ottawa," by Mrs. Carr-Harris, wife of Prof. Carr-Harris, of Queen's University, is announced for early issue by William Briggs. It is the story of the settlement on the Ottawa river where now the capital city of the Dominion stands.

A beautiful book of entirely new material by William J. Long will be published this season by The Copp, Clark Co. under the title "A Little Brother to the Bear." Together with this author's earlier books, this volume is destined to become a classic. The book opens with a study of the coon and his amusing ways. Mr. Charles Copeland has made 12 full page and 200 smaller drawings to illustrate the volume.

Beatrice Harraden, the author of "Ships that Pass in the Night," has written a new story, entitled "Katherine Frensham." The hero is a man of 35 who has been thwarted in his life work by the incompatibility of his wife, whose influence follows and nearly wrecks his sensitive nature even after her death. Fortunately for him and his son, a boy of 12, Katherine Frensham comes into their

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