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*Eighty-Seven.* By PANSY (MRS. ALDEN). Pp. 342. Toronto: Wm. Briggs. Price \$1.

Mrs. Alden has created quite a Chautauqua literature. She is in hearty sympathy with the great educational movement which Chautauqua symbolizes. This book is especially written for the 5,000 Chautauquans for the class of 1883. But all Chautauquans, and all who care to understand that greatest educational movement of our times, will find it very interesting and instructive reading. Under the form of a story the author has grouped the actual experiences of many students as given in letters which she has received. We commend the book especially to our younger readers.

*God and Nature.* By the REV. NEHEMIAH CURNOCK, F.R.M.S. London: T. Woolmer.

Mr. Curnock has gained the right to speak with authority on the scientific aspects of Nature. He here deals with what may be called its religious teachings, and a very thought-suggesting, soul-comforting little book he has produced.

#### LITERARY NOTICES.

*Proceedings and Transactions of the Nova Scotia Institute of Natural Science.*

We had the pleasure of meeting in Halifax the Rev. Dr. Honeyman, curator of the Provincial Museum. The volume before us, which would do credit to any scientific association, contains no less than four papers of distinguished ability from his facile pen. The Province is to be congratulated on having so accomplished a scientist in the important position which he occupies.

We have not had an opportunity to notice earlier the following pamphlets which have reached our desk:

*The Fishery Question: Its Imperial Importance.* This is a very

timely and valuable paper on a live topic, by J. G. Bourinot, LL.D., Hon. Sec. of the Royal Society—reprinted from the *Westminster Review*.

*Our Five Foreign Missions,* by the Rev. Dr. Grant, gives in brief space a graphic sketch—in the author's graceful style—of the Foreign Mission work of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. We have been specially interested in the account of Dr. Geddie, of Nova Scotia, the apostle of the New Hebrides, of whom it is recorded, "When he came there were no Christians, when he left there were no heathen."

*Physiology in Thought, Conduct, and Belief,* by Daniel Clark, M.D., Medical Superintendent of the Asylum for the Insane, Toronto. Dr. Clark's valued contributions to this MAGAZINE have made him no stranger to its readers. We need not say in all subjects connected with the mysterious relation between mind and matter Dr. Clark is an authority. This pamphlet is exceedingly able and interesting, and of much educational value.

An unusually important work is announced by Cassell & Company. It is "Martin Luther; The Man and His Work," by Peter Bayne, LL.D. Dr. Bayne's sympathy is as great as his literary skill. The men and women of whom he writes are made to live. The reader will not only become acquainted with the facts of Luther's life, but he follows the events of his career with the vivid realization of the spectator of a powerful drama.

That tireless literary worker, Professor Henry Morley, has nearly ready from the press of Cassell & Company what promises to be his *magnum opus*. It is a work of magnitude as well as of importance, and when completed will fill twenty volumes. "The History of English Literature" is the subject of Professor Morley's task, and it covers the whole subject, beginning with the early times before Alfred and coming down to the present day. Professor Morley has been engaged upon this work for twenty years.