

## Literary Notes.

TO PUBLISHERS.—All books, tracts, pamphlets, magazines, etc., intended for notice or review in this department must be addressed to the Editor of THE DISCIPLE OF CHRIST, 85 Wellington Street North, Hamilton, Ont.

THE TREASURY for May, 1895, begins the thirteenth year of a scholarly and well known publication. But in this number it is evidently a new magazine with new and most attractive features. It contains a large number of beautiful illustrations, the fine effect of which is brought out by coated paper and superior press work. A new department of "Applied Christianity" exhibits in striking description the progress of Christian and philanthropic work at home and abroad. The sermonic and critical sections, always able and helpful, include in this number such preachers and writers as Drs. R. S. Storrs, David Gregg, P. S. Henson, Sheldon Jackson, and J. S. Kennard; and Rev. Messrs. D. A. Blackburn, J. K. Baillie, J. D. Burrell, D. Sutherland, and G. B. F. Hallock and Prof. Geo. H. Schodde, Ph. D. In this combination of able scholarship and Christian character, with the beauty and attractiveness of a first-class illustrated magazine of the present day, *The Treasury* occupies a field entirely its own. Annual subscription, \$2.50. Clergymen, \$2. Single copies, 25 cents. E. B. TREAT, Publisher, 5 Cooper Union, New York.

THE CANADIAN MAGAZINE.—The May number of the Canadian Magazine, the first of the fifth volume, is replete with most interesting matter. The illustrations are good, and, altogether, the number compares well in interest and variety with any of the magazines of the month. The illustrated articles are: "Glimpses of Norway" by Frank Yeagh; "The Home of the Ojibwaniche," by E. T. D. Chambers; "The Underground Railway a Story of its Operation," by Thomas E. Champion; and the "Ontario Ladies' College," Whitby, by Rev. J. F. German. Edward Meek contributes a clear, valuable and timely article on "The Manitoba School Question and the Remedial Order." Henry Fry, ex-president of the Dominion Board, tells of the past history of ship-building in Quebec city, and urges the advantages of that city for steel ship-building. Other articles are "The Penalties of Genius," by B. St. George Lefroy; J. W. L. Forster's "Early Artists of Ontario"; "Robert Louis Stevenson," by Hector Charlesworth; and "Canadian Newspapers Interviews" by P. Spaanjaard. J. Cawdor Bell, the charming author of "Two Knapsacks," contributes to fiction "The Trumpeter and the Child." Mrs. Ella Atkinson gives a very natural story, "Old John's Easter Lilies;" and William Lutton, "Dora, the Pretty Typewriter." THE CANADIAN MAGAZINE is published by the Ontario Publishing Co., Ltd., Toronto, for \$2.50 per annum, or 25 cents per single copy.

## Children's Day for Foreign Missions.

DEAR CHILDREN:—How few of us have travelled any great distance from our homes, and how few can describe the manner of living and customs of the people in those far-away countries of Asia, Africa or Oceania, as equally

well as we can talk of our beloved America. Imagine, if you can, a country where thousands of its inhabitants are destroyed yearly by the horrible cruelties of the slave trade; where parents murder their innocent infant children without interference; where, through superstitious beliefs and ignorance of medical laws, untold agony and torture is the portion of their sick and diseased; where many thousands of lives are sacrificed to appease the anger of the gods, whom these ignorant people worship; then pause and ask why your lives are so favored, why your homes are so happy, why your country is so different; and the answer comes quickly, "nothing but the knowledge of Jesus, and the power of Christian influence in the government and the inhabitants."

Far away in sunrise Japan many a little child is appealing piteously to those in America, uttering the same cry as little Chinese Ling-Te, "Who will open the door?" Not the doors of the country; raised high are its gates that the emissaries of the Cross may come in; but no door of knowledge is open, no school room is found vacant to admit her.

The Church of Christ has sent forth only one missionary for every four hundred thousand of the heathen. Each of the forty million (40,000,000) Christians have sent, on an average, but thirty (30) cents a year for the support of missionaries, teachers schools and orphanages.

"But what can I do," you say. In the early history of missions, amidst the deepest disappointments and greatest discouragements and in the face of the strongest opposition, the puzzling question arose how to make the work successful and permanent. The answer came from a missionary's little son, who brought his own pennies earnestly and tearfully pleading that they might be sent to the poor children in darkened heathen lands. Until then, no one had thought of the children engaging in this work. Now, when we hear of all that the children's funds have done for the support of schools, or of foreign children in those schools, during the past few years, we are led to exclaim, "Surely a little child shall lead them." When the call rang throughout the world many years ago to "arise, and rescue Christ's tomb or burial place from the hands of the infidels," one hundred thousand children, forming the Children's Crusade, left home and friends, and marched on through terrible suffering and want to certain death. Now our modern Crusade is training children to carry the news of a living, loving Saviour to

those in heathen gloom by going or sending or praying.

Christ sacrificed His heavenly home and even his life for us. Surely dear children, we should give up for Christ's sake that which costs us some pang to relinquish. "Freely ye have received, freely give." If we give, we receive a lasting blessing. There is but one lake on the surface of the globe which has no outlet. That is the Dead Sea, which receives much but gives away nothing. Around it is desolation, and in it no life. Do not let this state illustrate our case. Who receive all the peace, joy, pleasures and happiness of Christian homes and privileges, and hesitate to give out of such abundance. "There is that which scattereth and yet increaseth."

Christ plainly teaches us His mission was to the whole world. We need help at home, you say. Truly, but should you keep all for the success of the work and the salvation of all the heathen at home? Have you any proof that the time will ever come when all these at our doors will accept Him? You have no such hope. They are heathen in spite of a preached Gospel, the others are so for the lack of it. May we not thus thoughtlessly strangely reverse our Master's teaching, and leaving the ninety and nine to wander to destruction, alone and without hope, remain by the fold to feed the one.

May we use strenuous efforts that the children's offering this year exceed that of any previous year, as the work is being increased and extended in obedience to His command. "Preach the Gospel to every creature."

May these be our resolutions for that collection: That, whereas, The Bible has given us a rule that upon the first day of the week, every one is to lay by him in store as God has prospered him (1 Cor. xvi. 1, 2); therefore,

*Resolved*, That since we see the advantage to the mission work, if all should give to it, in obedience to Him, we promise that each one of us will lay by something each week till this special collection.

*Resolved*, That we will give the money we will earn, or save from money given, or obtain by denying ourselves unnecessary luxuries.

*Resolved*, That this gift shall not be given of necessity, neither grudgingly, but of our own free will, for God loveth a cheerful giver (2 Cor. ix. 7).

We make a solemn appeal to all the members of our Sunday-schools to consider this matter with the greatest earnestness, and as in the presence of the Master, whose warning words ring in our ears, "In as much as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to Me."

## Children's Work.

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

"Cheerful Givers," Warton, . . \$2 65  
JENNIE FLEMING,  
Treasurer.  
Kilsyth, May 4, 1895.

The session set apart for children's work at the Convention this year bids fair to be both interesting and entertaining, and will be something like an oasis in a desert of hard work. The greater part of the time will be devoted to a programme which is being prepared by the London Mission Band and St. Thomas Junior Endeavor Society. I quite expect that this practical illustration of what our children are doing and can do may promote the interests of children's work better than anything else. An address by the Superintendent, on its value and importance, will be a feature also of the programme.

Please do not forget your reports.

J. E. L.

## A Prominent Witness.

Rev. J. M. McLeod, Pastor of Zion Church, Vancouver, B. C., writes, July 3rd, 1895:—"It is nearly three months since I finished the package of K. D. C. which you sent me, and, though I have for more than twenty years suffered from indigestion, that package seems to have wrought a perfect cure. Since taking your remedy I have not had the slightest symptom of a return of my old enemy. It affords me much pleasure to recommend K. D. C. to the numerous family of dyspeptics as the best known remedy for that most distressing malady"

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