

## Book Notices.

"Kid McGhie." By S. R. Crockett. Toronto: The Copp, Clark Co. Pp. 400.

In this book Mr. Crockett reverts to the style of one of his earlier and most popular books, "Kit Kennedy." His studies of boy life are exceedingly clever. Kid McGhie, the son of the degenerate head of his clan, is trained like Oliver Twist in the school of crime, is taken with his pals in the act of burglary, sent to a reformatory where he is really reformed, and has in him the making of a splendid man. The finest character in the book is Archibald Molesay, city missionary, who converts a rum-hole into a successful mission, and by the spell of a Christ-like life wins the love and confidence of the roughs and toughs and thieves of the Cowgate. The book has its close relations with Canadian life. Hearne Mackenzie, the son of Lord Athabasca, North-West fur trader, becomes his father's rival for the affections of the heroine of the story, a very queer and complicated situation. But we must let the reader unravel it for himself.

"Students and the Modern Missionary Crusade." Addresses delivered before the Fifth International Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, Nashville, Tennessee, February 28 to March 4, 1906. New York: Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions. Toronto: William Briggs. Pp. xii-713. Price, \$1.50.

Many thousands of students from most of the universities of this continent were present at the great convention at Nashville last February. For them this goodly volume of over seven hundred closely printed pages will be a delightful souvenir of the stirring addresses, some of which they heard, for no man could hear them all. To the many thousands more who were unable to be present this book will be a substitute of no small value. The scores of addresses, discussions and questions of the various sessions are reported substantially as they were uttered; sometimes in the report of the sectional meetings some condensation has been unavoidably demanded. It is a perfect treasure-house of information on all that pertains to missionary evangelism, and is so well indexed that it will be a suitable book of reference for many a long

year. A fine missionary bibliography is also presented.

"In the Shadow of the Pines." A Tale of Tidewater Virginia. By John Hamilton Howard. New York: Eaton & Mains. Toronto: William Briggs. Pp. 249. Price, \$1.25.

The region described in this story is that made classic for ever by Mrs. Stowe's "Dred, a tale of the Dismal Swamp," and by Moore's and Longfellow's poems. It is the region where the slaves took refuge during the bad, sad slavery days and where so many of them found their death, while some of them found freedom. Even to the present day this vast jungle has never been thoroughly explored. The stories of later days show that a new interest is given to this region, from the fact that the three hundredth anniversary of the founding of Jamestown, Virginia, has been celebrated by a national exposition on the spot. As the Jew is coming by thousands to our shores so he is finding his way even into literature, not as the miserable Shylock or Fagin, but as the sincere and conscientious keeper of the Sabbath—and of everything else he can lay his hands on.

"The Passenger from Calais." By Arthur Griffiths. Boston: L. C. Page & Co.

This is a brightly-written and exciting story of the adventures of Lady Blackadder in her efforts to escape with her infant son, the custody of whom had been given by law to her husband. The efforts of her sister and a certain Colonel Annesley to assist her make her saviors decidedly of the "detective story."

A large, well equipped and well endowed institution, the Henry Phipps Institute, has been established in Philadelphia for the study and cure of tuberculosis. From the exhaustive and scientific investigation of this important subject, we may expect marked advance in its treatment. Indeed, it is already affirmed that the germ has been isolated and that methods of immunization have been discovered. This book of four hundred and fifty large octavo pages gives the result of the second year's research at this institute.