

The Christmas *Lippincott* contains interesting contributions from Miss Agnes Repplier, George Hibbard and Amelia E. Barr. Mrs. Barr's contribution is the complete novel, "Souls of Passage." There is also a charming fairy story by Evelyn Sharp.

Mr. Lawrence Hutton contributes to the December *Book Buyer* a most interesting account of Penelope, Mrs. Wiggin's Penelope, which is no more commendatory in tone than that fascinating young person deserves. There is also a pleasing article on "The Old Gentleman of the Black Stock," written by George W. Cable.

With the exception of Mrs. Wiggin's Penelope, the palm must be given to a very taking contributors' club in the December *Atlantic*. The headings, from which one may imagine the variety and charm of the disquisitions, are: Charles Dudley Warner; A Bit of the Gospel According to Stevenson; Profanity as a Resource; Pot Boiling; The Glittering Generality, Woman; The Inaccuracy of Accuracy; The Passing Bell.

The Christmas number of the *Century Magazine* is most successful in illustration and from a literary point of view. "Down the Rhine," by Augustine Birrell, is the contribution most worthy of attention from a literary standpoint, although if "Broken Wings" were quite as successful as most of Mr. James' stories one would hesitate before saying so.

Puvis de Chavannes, by John La Farge, is a piece of successful art criticism which appears in the December *Scribner's*. Besides a number of pleasing short stories, there is also an article of considerable weight on George Eliot by W. C. Brownell.

MACAULAY'S ESSAY ON CLIVE—Williams (Longmans—Copp, Clark Co.)

A very complete annotated text, with annotations of the right kind, supplying the information not accessible to the ordinary student or reader. The book has a valuable introduction in which the literary characteristics of the great historian are intelligently discussed.

The Temples and Ritual of Asklepios. By Richard Caton, M.D., F.R.C.P. London: C. J. Clay & Sons. 3s.

This is a beautifully printed and illustrated volume, containing two lectures delivered at the Royal Institution of Great Britain. It is a most interesting and instructive account of ancient Greek medicine. The history of medicine is now a very favorite subject with medical scholars, who will receive the present volume with delight.

Books received:

Longmans, Green & Co, through The Copp, Clark Company, Toronto—

Elementary Algebra, by W. G. Constable and Jos. Mills.

Preliminary Magnetism and Electricity, by John Henderson.

Macmillan & Co, through the Copp, Clark Company, Toronto—
Elementary Mechanics of Solids, by W. T. A. Emtage.

Ginn & Company, Boston—

Folk-lore Stories and Proverbs, gathered and paraphrased by Sara E. Wiltse.

The Story of American History, by Albert F. Blaisdell.

Wilderness Ways, by Walter J. Long.

Krieg und Frieden, selected and edited by Dr. Wilhelm Bernhardt.