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COLLECT FOR DOMINION DAY.

(From the Century.)

Father of nations ! Help of the feeble hand !
Strength of the strong ! to whom the nations kneel !
Stay and destroyer at whose just command
Earth's kingdoms tremble and her empires reel !
Who dost the low uplift, the small make great,
And dost abase the ignorantly proud,
Of our scant people mold a mighty state,
To the strong, stern— to Thee in meekness bowed !
Father of unity, make this people one ?
Weld, interfuse them in the patriot's flame,—
Whose forging on Thine anvil was begun
In blood late shed to purge the common shame ;
That so our hearts, the fever of faction done,
Banish old feud in our young nation's name.

CHARLES G. D. ROBERTS.

Amen !

BOOK NOTES.

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