

our next issue we hope to be able to give some notice of his works, which have thus earned for him the distinction of his kinsmen in Old France.

A timely and sensible essay on the subject of 'Money and Paper Currency' has recently appeared from the pen of Mr. Geo. E. Casey, M. P. for East Elgin. It will well repay perusal, and particularly just now, when so much fallacy is current on the subject of which the little volume treats.

'Fossil Men and their Modern Representatives,' an interesting addition to the literature illustrative of Pre-Historic Man in Europe, is the subject of a new work from the pen of Principal Dawson, LL.D., of Montreal, some portions of which appeared in one of the religious Magazines of England.

The long promised and important work of Principal Caird, of Glasgow University,—'An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion,'—has just appeared from the press of Messrs Macmillan & Co., and will doubtless receive that attention to which its great merit and the author's able treatment of the subject entitle it.

Messrs. Lippincott, of Philadelphia, have done a service to students of English Literature in reprinting the Rev. Dr. Brewer's 'The Reader's Hand-book' of Allusions, References, Plots, and Stories, a volume which, with Adams' 'Dictionary of English Literature' furnishes a comprehensive index to 'Who's Who' among English writers and the characters that figure in their works.

Messrs. Nimmo & Bain, of London, (Mr. Bain, we may observe, is a Canadian, the son of a Toronto bookseller,) are about to publish, under the title of 'The Modern Foreign Library,' a selection of the best novels of all foreign countries, to be edited by Henry Van Laun, the translator of Taine's English Literature and of the recently issued Edinburgh edition of the Works of Molière.

A delightfully-written essay on 'English Chimes in Canada,' from the scholarly pen of our local antiquary, the Rev. Dr. Scadding, has just been issued in form for preservation in collections of native historical and ecclesiastical literature. Though written for a specific local object, its learned and genial author manages to impart into the essay an old-

world flavour and the interest that attaches to the Cathedral shrines of the Motherland.

Mr. Mahaffy's two volumes on the 'History of Classical Greek Literature' have been reprinted by Messrs Harper & Bros. The same firm has just re-issued Mr. J. A. Symonds' 'Sketches and Studies in Southern Europe,' and the first two volumes of Mr. Ward's 'Selections from the English Poets,' with critical introductions by various writers, and a general introduction by Mr. Matthew Arnold. The present volumes of Mr. Ward's series cover the period from Chaucer to Dryden; two additional volumes will complete the issue, Mr. Goldwin Smith contributing the critical introduction to Scott.

Canadian Literature is of late notably increasing both in extent and range, a fact which it is gratifying to us to record in these pages. The following works have recently appeared from native publishing houses: 'The Treaties of Canada with the Indians of Manitoba and the North-West Territories,' by the Hon. Alex. Morris, Q. C., M. P. P.; 'Reminiscences of the Early History of Galt and the Settlement of Dumfries, Ontario,' by James Young, M. P. P.; and 'A Trip to Mexico: notes of a Journey from Lake Erie to Lake Tezcuco and back,' by Mr. H. C. R. Beecher, Q. C.

Our native Literature is about to be further enriched by the early publication of two volumes of verse of exceptionally high merit—one entitled 'Forgotten Songs,' by Mrs. K. Seymour Maclean, of Kingston, and the other, 'Orion and other Poems,' by Mr. Chas. E. D. Roberts, B. A., of Chatham, N. B., both writers being contributors to our pages, and well dowered with poetic gifts. We look forward with unfeigned pleasure to their appearing.

Many readers of the CANADIAN MONTHLY will appreciate the compliment which has recently been paid by Mr. Herbert Spencer to Mr. W. D. Le Sueur, B. A., of Ottawa, one of the most cultured and esteemed contributors to this Magazine, in Mr. Spencer's having warmly commended a recent paper of Mr. Le Sueur's which appeared in these pages and which, under the title of 'A Vindication of Scientific Ethics,' has been reprinted at Mr. Spencer's request in the current number of the *Popular Science Monthly*.