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Recent Magazines.

Few writers are so competent to treat that highly timely subject "Europe and the Muhammadan World" as Sir Harry H. Johnston, whose article on that subject is re- printed in *The Living Age* for January 13th, from *The Nineteenth Century*. Just at present, with Russia making war upon Persia without provocation, and Italy making war upon Turkey, and a very considerable unrest pervad- ing India, this is a subject of great moment.

The February *Century*, and the January number of that magazine have several excellent and appreciative articles on Dickens. The February number has the first chapters on a new serial—"Stella Maris."

St. Nicholas maintains its steady reputation as the best magazine for children. The February number is especially a fine number for the children.

The Canadian Magazine for February has a very read- able illustrated article on "St. John's (Nfld.); the Impos- sible Possible," by W. Lacey Curry. The descriptive matter is enlivened by touches of racy humour.

OFFICIAL NOTICES.

The new Manual of the School Laws of Nova Scotia can now be had at booksellers for twenty cents, by mail for twenty-seven cents.

A. H. McKAY,
Superintendent Education.

Halifax, January 8, 1912.

The following has been ordered by the Board of Education:—

"The school flag shall be flown on every fine day while school is in session, except in the winter and more inclement seasons of the year, and may be displayed on any day."

It has also been ordered that a text-book in Civics be prescribed for teachers' use, and that hereafter a knowledge of that subject be a general requirement for all classes of license.

Text prescribed—"Canadian Civics," The Copp, Clark Co., Ltd.

Teachers, school officers and pupils are requested to co- operate with the agricultural authorities in the work of extirpating the brown-tail moth.

Any inquiries made to Wm. McIntosh, St. John, will receive attention.

The Board of Education has ordered that a text-book in Music be prescribed; the text selected will be announced later.

Education office,
Fredericton, N. B.,

W. S. CARTER,
Chief Sup't. Education.

November 27th, 1911.