

## BOOKS AND PERIODICALS—Continued.

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The "World's Epoch Makers" series of books from the press of T. and T. Clark, Edinburgh, is now well under way. Five of the volumes have already been issued by The Publishers' Syndicate, Limited, Toronto, who are T. and T. Clark's sole Canadian representatives. This series will contain works dealing with all the great movements that have taken place in the world during the past nineteen centuries, and will form, when complete, an invaluable library of reference and general reading. The books are issued in uniform style and size, being of handy shape and excellently printed, and, being retailed at the moderate price of \$1 each, are brought within the reach of all. The entire set should be kept in stock, while the volume may also be readily sold separately. The books will be issued from time to time throughout the coming year.

"The Canadian Wild Life Calendar for 1901," issued by The Publishers' Syndicate, Limited, met with the success its excellence deserved, practically the whole of the large issue being sold out by the middle of December. A small number of this issue are still in stock at the end of December, and those who have not secured some copies should write for them at once, in the hope that they may be in time to secure what has certainly proved the finest art calendar ever published in Canada.

The new Sheldon book announced by the Revell Company last month will be ready beginning of January. The title is "Edward Blake: Student," and in the American reviews to hand it is very highly commended. The advance orders are quite up to expectation and a good sale is assured. The prices will be, cloth, 50c., paper, 25c.

The Revells have also been fortunate in securing the Canadian market for Newell Dwight Hillis' new book, "The Influence of Christ in Modern Life"—a study of the new problems of the church in America. Dr. Hillis is one of the most popular of the present-day American religious writers, as

is evidenced from the fact that his other three larger books have reached a sale of about 50,000 copies. The present work is certainly up to the standard of his former books and is sure to have a very large sale. It is a crown, 8vo volume, cloth, gilt top, price, \$1.50.

"Thy Will Be Done" is a new book by Andrew Murray, the well-known author of so many popular devotional works. The sub-title, "The Blessedness of a Life in the Will of God." Meditations for a month, gives a good idea of the nature of the book. Though only ready two weeks before Christmas, the publishers report a large sale. Bound uniform with the "Ministry of Intercession," price, 75c. Many of the trade will be glad to know that the second part of the "Twentieth Century New Testament" is now ready. There have been many inquiries for it, and there is no doubt those who bought the first part will surely buy the second. Price, 50c. net.

"The D. L. Moody Year Book," which was to have been ready early in the Fall, was not ready until December, but, notwithstanding the delay, has had a good sale. The sub-title of the book—"A Living Daily Message from the Words of D. L. Moody"—explains the nature of the book, which will appeal to a large circle of Mr. Moody's friends in Canada. The selection has been made by his daughter, Emma Moody Fitt, is illustrated and very neatly bound. Price, \$1.

One of the most timely books published by the Revells is "The Siege of Peking. China against the World," by W. A. P. Martin, President of the Chinese Imperial University, author of "Cycle of Cathay," etc., and an eye-witness of the events

recorded in the book. Dr. Martin has been a resident in China for 50 years, and is looked upon as one of the sanest writers on Chinese matters. The book is illustrated with 19 half-tone illustrations and has a striking cover design. This ought to be one of the books on recent events in China which should have a very large sale. The price is \$1.

## NEW BOOK FIRM.

Mr. Thomas Allen, well known to the trade throughout Canada as a genial and popular traveller for The Methodist Book and Publishing House, with whom he was connected for 12 years, has left that house to enter into the publishing business with Mr. George J. McLeod. The firm will be known as McLead & Allen. Mr. McLeod, in the short time that he has been engaged in business in Toronto, has established a splendid business connection, and we have every confidence that, reinforced with Mr. Allen's experience, the new firm will establish itself among the leaders in the race for commercial honors and success. They have the Canadian agency for a number of strong American houses, such as Rand & McNally, Doubleday, Page & Co., and other reputable firms. Mr. Allen's leaving the Bookroom was made the occasion by his friends of presenting him with a valuable locket and chain, accompanied by an address, expressive of the high esteem in which he is held.

S. B. Gundy, manager of the wholesale department of The Methodist Book and Publishing Co., Toronto, has gone to England, and will not return until February. He will visit all the principal British publishing houses.

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