

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

TWO BOOKS FOR A HOLIDAY.

THE vacation season is now upon us and the tired bookseller buys his ticket for the country with great gusto. It is an ideal trip for a brain worker of any kind, and especially so to the bookseller, as he can there forget entirely all about the various little worries of a modern bookseller's business. The only books he need carry with him are his pocket book (which should be full of notes) and a reprint of our old friend, Isaac Walton. We guarantee that when he returns his mind will have had a complete rest, and he will see new possibilities ahead of him which have never come before his hitherto tired vision.

HAD A PREFERENCE FOR BRITISH BOOKS.

During the Epworth League convention, which was held in Toronto last month, it was noted by the booksellers that the American delegates, when visiting the book stores, generally wished to see works which were published in England, as they had heard that English books were so much cheaper than the American editions.

A CANADIAN BOOK ON FOREIGN TRAVEL.

Towards the end of August a new volume of travel will appear from the press of William Briggs, entitled "A Ride in Morocco, and Other Sketches," by Arthur Campbell, of Ottawa. This work will be very interesting and will undoubtedly be a good seller.

A VOLUME ON HALIBURTON.

William Briggs will have ready about the end of August a new work, entitled "Haliburton: A Centennial Chaplet." This will consist of a number of sketches by various writers. The following are some of the sketches which will appear in the volume: "Haliburton as a Humorist and Writer," by H. P. Scott, M.A.; "Haliburton, the Man and the Writer," by F. Blake Crofton; "Sketch of the Life and Times of Judge Haliburton," by his son. A valuable addition to the work will be the complete bibliography of Haliburton's works, compiled by John Parker Anderson, Esq., of the British Museum, London, Eng.

MR. CUMBERLAND'S NEW BOOK.

William Briggs reports numerous enquiries and orders for their new work on the Union Jack, entitled "Story of the Union Jack," by Barlow Cumberland. This work promises to fill a want which has been long felt for a work which would give a clear idea as to the origin and significance of the various flags which are now flown by the British

land and naval forces. It will be fully illustrated and will prove a valuable work to all who are interested in "the flag that has braved a thousand years the battle and the breeze."

CANADIAN BIOGRAPHY.

Mr. Henry J. Morgan's work on "Canadian Men and Women of the Time," which was expected to be ready before the British Association met in Toronto, will not be ready until about the end of September. The work will be very extensive and will prove valuable to all newspaper and press writers and public and private libraries. It is being issued with the well-known imprint of William Briggs.

SHERIDAN UNABRIDGED.

Fraser Rae, who has had the advantage, which he enjoyed while writing Sheridan's "Biography," of examining and making unrestricted use of the Sheridan manuscripts preserved at Frampton Court, is preparing for publication what may be considered to be the first authentic and complete edition of Sheridan's plays. Not a single play in the current editions of them is in Sheridan's own words; some of the best sayings of Mrs. Malaprop and Sir Lucius O'Trigger have been mutilated or suppressed; the songs in "The Duenna" have been altered for the worse; while that English classic, "The School for Scandal," as Sheridan wrote it, will be accessible for the first time in this edition.

A BOOK ABOUT THE KLONDYKE.

Now that everyone is talking about the gold discoveries in the Klondyke, a book which A. N. Marquis & Co., Chicago, are publishing, will take in this country. It is entitled "The Gold-fields of the Klondyke," and contains a history of the Alaskan and Canadian gold-fields, and information of the country, the people, the climate and the mineral treasures. It is illustrated, and also contains colored maps and diagrams.

CODE OF QUEBEC CIVIL PROCEDURE.

A new book has just appeared from the press of C. Theoret, Montreal, and at a very opportune time. Some years ago a commission was appointed by the Quebec Legislature to revise the "Code of Civil Procedure." During the last session the Legislature decided to adopt the new code prepared by the commission. By a proclamation of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council the new code comes in force on the first of September next, when the fall courts open. Mr. Theoret has just issued an

edition of the new "Code of Civil Procedure" prepared by Messrs. Albert P. and Oscar F. Dorais, advocates. Besides the text of the code, this edition contains references to the law and authorities which form the basis of the new system, and a reproduction in extenso of the special observation of the revising commission. Under each article will be found the articles of the "Code of Civil Procedure of Lower Canada," the dispositions of which are reproduced in full or in part, as the case suggests, which renders more easy the use of the old editions of the code where the jurisprudence is noted, pending the time when a new jurisprudence may be in force. There is also, under form of reference, the comparison of the articles of the Code of Procedure with those of the Civil Code, and the numbers of other articles analogous thereto. The edition consists of one volume of 513 pages, to which is added a complete index, making the volume a most useful one. Mr. Theoret's is the first edition which has been given to the public.

THE "CHRISTIAN."

The Canadian edition of Hall Caine's "Christian" will be out about the middle of August. Messrs. Morang and Gregory are representing the foreign publisher, and have Canadian rights. There will be 3,000 copies in the first edition, a pretty confident boast of a large demand. It will sell in paper at 75c.

FOR CANADIAN FREEMASONS.

Mr. John Ross Robertson, M.P., of The Toronto Telegram, has ready his new book, "The History of Freemasonry in Canada," which Carswell & Co. will publish in a few days. Mr. Robertson has bestowed his customary research and tireless energy in getting this book together. The first edition will be 1,000 copies. The work will be in two vols., at \$5 for the whole work.

THE HARPERS' LONDON OFFICE.

The London firm, Osgood, McIlvaine & Co., has been joined to Harper Bros., Mr. McIlvaine being the first one not a Harper to be admitted to that firm. Mr. McIlvaine has been representing Harper Bros. in London, and, though a young man, has shown his ability in the publishing line. It was he who secured Dumaunier for the Harpers.

CARMAN'S VERSE.

The Speaker, commenting on the new volume of poetry by Bliss Carman and Richard Hovey, "More Songs from Vagabondia," says: "Mr. Bliss Carman is always worth listening to, and so, perhaps, is Mr. Richard Hovey; though as we've never met him alone we are likely to ascribe