

BOOKS OF THE MONTH

Boyle, Virginia Frazer. "Serena." New York: A. S. Barnes & Co. Cloth \$1.50. This new author has produced a story on an old but inexhaustible theme—the American Civil War. Amid the breaking up of the old social order and the wreck of homes, touching episodes of heroism occur. Love plays the usual part in the drama, and is rewarded in the usual way after the heroine has, by high courage and resolve, saved the life of her twin brother and maintained the family honor as a second Joan of Arc on the field of battle.

Castle, Agnes and Egerton. "Rose of the World."

Drummond, Hamilton. "The King's Scapegoat." Toronto: The Copp, Clark Co. A story of France in the fifteenth century. Gaspard Hellewyl, the hero, strikes a bargain with King Louis, by which he is to recover his estates and at the same time take vengeance upon his enemy. The service required in return is that Gascon de Foix, the young Count de Narbonne, upon whose domains Louis has designs, is to be delivered into his hands. The undertaking miscarries, and Gaspard is about to pay the forfeit of his life but is saved by the timely death of the King and the faithfulness of his lady love, Suzanne de Narbonne.

Freussen, Gustav. "Jorn Uhl." Boston: Dana Estes & Co. Cloth \$1.50. A translation from the German by F. S. Delmer. This remarkable book, which in his own country has made its author famous, is a story of German farm life, simple in language and style, profound in thought and design and artistic in treatment. Jorn Uhl is not so much a hero in the novel sense as a study—a study of the evolution of a human



Specimen illustration from "Stories and Sermons of Buckskin Brady." (William Briggs.)

Toronto: The Copp, Clark Co., Limited. Cloth \$1.50. One of the best novels of the season, with a unique plot that is very refreshing. In brief, Lady Geradine, married the second time as a matter of convenience, is by circumstances led to fall in love with her first husband, whom she had married when a immature girl, and who is supposedly dead. The return of the first husband in the end clears the atmosphere.

Cennolly, James B. "On Tybee Knoll." New York: A. S. Barnes & Co. Cloth \$1.25. A fresh, breezy story of the woods, the river and the sea on the coast of Georgia, wholly devoid of sentimentality. There is not even a love story, though there is one impending at the close. Strong, resourceful and brave, Tom Charlton, with love of home and deep filial affection for his native, fights his way through dangers by land and sea and the envy of rivalry to a well-earned success.

soul. His whole life is passed in the almost boorish simplicity of German country life, excepting three years of the conscription and a campaign of the Franco-Prussian war. Heredity, environment and the forces of nature all have their bearing upon the main design, which is to show that the human soul is greater than these, and that faith in God is the mainspring of action.

Green, Anna Katharine. "The House in the Mist." Indianapolis: The Bobbs-Merrill Co. Cloth 75 cents. Anyone who has read previous books by this author will understand what a treat is in store for them. Mystery in its most absorbing form lurks in all her stories. In "The House in the Mist" an element of tragedy and horror is infused that renders it one of the most memorable of mystery tales.

Gulick, Sidney L. "The White Peril in the Far East." Toronto: Fleming H. Revell Co. Cloth \$1 net. The real significance of the struggle in the Far East is