be ready about December 18, and will sell in paper at 50c., and in cloth at 75c.

A volume that has received considerable attention from the critics is " Wayfarings," a book of poems by Professor G. Herbert Clarke, of Mercer University, Macon, Ga. Mr. Clarke is a Canadian who for some years was on the stati of The Baptist Union, Chicago, and this year occupied the position of professor of English language and literature in Mercer University. The New York Outlook remarks that "Mr. Clarke has a fine metrical sense and a facile pen." The Buffalo Express says . " Mr. Clarke is more than a maker of verse, he has in him the spirit of poetry. He has thought for himself on life and duty; he is master of a forceful and expressive style."

"Better Lives for Common People ' is a new volume in the Books on the Better Life series, by Rev. John Maclean, Ph.D. It is a practical, helpful work on Christian life, after the style of the F. B. Meyer and and the Andrew Murray books. The first volume in the series, "The Making of a Christian," has run into a second edition.

Marshall Saunders will lose nothing, but materially gain, in reputation by his latest story. "Tilda Jane," the Canadian edition of which has just appeared. It is a piquant, clever and wholesome story of child life and it is in writing for and about the children that Miss Saunders is at her best.

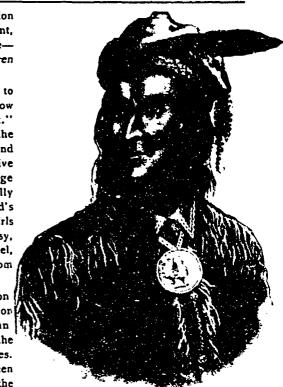
A book that the trade should show to those seeking gift-books for boys is Barlow Cumberland's "History of the Union Jack." Not only is it an interesting work in the reading, but its many colored plates and numerous illustrations and its attractive binding make it a book that the average boy will be proud to possess. An equally attractive book for girls is Mrs. Sheard's "Trevelyan's Little Daughter." Our girls all should enjoy the acquaintance of Daisy, Maida, and little Groyneth, and of Raphael, the Italian organ grinder's boy, about whom the romance of the story turns.

The "Treasury of Canadian Verse" con tinues a popular gift-book. A second edition for Canada has been demanded this Autumn Last Christmas this book—particularly the half-calf binding—was one of the favorites.

A strikingly handsome cover has been designed for "Patriotic Song," showing the emblems of the various parts of the British Empire represented in the anthology. The



Specimen Illustration From "The Voyage of Ithobai "



Tecumseh, From Charles Mair's Poems.

collection of patriotic poems is a most interesting one, and should stir the British spint everywhere. A halt call edition will be ready for Christmas.

Mr. Bernard McEvoy has prepared for the press a volume giving the impressions of his recent four months' trip to the Pacific Coast. This book is founded on a series of descriptive articles contributed to The Toronto Mail and Empire and the British press. The author, who is well known in Canada as a newspaperman, has successfully avoided what may be called the "guide-book style," and has furnished a series of impressionistic and breezy sketches of things and people in the West, such as will be read with interest even by those who are familiar with the localities and conditions described. There is a freshness and light humor in all Mr. McEvoy writes that compel attention, while, in the present instance, he combines instruction and amusement in a useful degree. His book is worthy of notice as a laudable attempt to familiatize the public with the western half of the great Dominion, and also as a step in the direction of that union of feeling that can only grow from the mutual acz aintance with each other of our entire population.

## The Annuals.

The publishers of those standard works, The Boys' Own Annual and The Girls' Own Annual, have found it necessary to put forth the most strenuous efforts to