

these are, "Ann Boleyn and Catherine of Aragon." New editions, revised and mainly re-written, of this author's former works—"The Switzers," and "History of Wm. Penn, the founder of Pennsylvania," are also announced.

Messrs. Strahan & Co.'s new bulletin of books is important. They embrace a volume of "Selections from the Writings of the Rev. Canon Kingsley;" "Some Talk about Animals and their Masters," by Sir Arthur Helps, author of "Friends in Council;" a posthumous work of the late Rev. Norman Macleod, D.D., on "The Temptation of Our Lord;" and a volume of "Contemporary Essays," by the Rev. John Hunt, author of "The History of Religious Thought in England."

The new volume of the Christian Evidence Society Lectures is now ready. The subject, akin to that of the first series, is, "Faith and Free Thought." Among the contributors are Sir Bartle Frere, Dean of Ely, Canon Mozley, Canon Birks, Dr. Angus, and others.

The new issue, for 1873, of "Whitaker's Almanac," has come to hand, and more prodigal does it seem of information of every kind than ever. The compiler, the editor of the chief organ of the English publishing trade—the "Bookseller," appears to us to rise to the highest conception of what a reference book of this kind should be, in an age such as the present, when he sat him down to the task he has here so successfully accomplished.

The fashion of the day seems to run upon portraiture. In a number of leading English newspapers we have recently had a series of sketches of prominent statesmen and well-known writers. We suppose the curiosity which seeks this gossip about the personality of the men of the day is legitimate and rational. How far it is agreeable to the subjects of these biographies we shall not pretend, however, to say. We enumerate four of these volumes recently issued:—"Cartoon Portraits and Biographical Sketches of Men of the Day," (*Tinsley*); "Cabinet Portrait Sketches of Statesmen," by Mr. T. Wemyss Reid, (*King & Co.*); "Modern Leaders," by Mr. Justin McCarthy, (*Sheldon & Co.*); and the 4th series of the "Vanity Fair Album," (*Vanity Fair Office*). All of the works have merit, and are exceedingly readable; the last named volume is a collection of clever caricatures of public men in England.

The department of travel has had the following additions to it during the month, viz., a work on the Greek nation, by the Hon. C. K. Tuckerman, late Minister Resident of the United States at Athens, entitled, "The Greeks of To-day;" an entertaining account of a visit to Algeria in 1871, by Lady Herbert, entitled, "A Search after Sunshine;" "A

Scamper to Sebastopol and Jerusalem," by Mr. James Creagh; and a new volume, "Bokhara; its History and Conquest," by Prof. Arminius Vambéry, author of "Travels in Central Asia."

Mr. Ruskin's new volume of Oxford Lectures on Art is just ready. The subject is the relation of natural science to art, and its title, according to the author's wont, is a fanciful one, viz., "The Eagle's Nest."

The Life and Correspondence of Field-Marshal, the late Sir John Burgoyne, Bt., comprising extracts from his Journals during the Peninsular and Crimean War, is now ready. Many letters of interest on the political and military situation during the Russian campaign will be found in the work, from such men as Lord Raglan, Omar Pasha, Lord Palmerston and others, while the historic characters of an earlier era figure largely among the private and official correspondence of the subject of the memoir.

The announcement is made of the result of the recent tour of Mr. Anthony Trollope, the novelist, in the shape of two volumes, in the conventional English Library style, entitled, "Australia and New Zealand." In the same form, and from the same publishers, we have a new work by Mrs. Elliott, author of "The Diary of an Idle Woman in Italy," on the "Old Court Life of France."

A new volume of "Sermons, preached for the most part in Ireland," was just been issued, by the Archbishop of Dublin (Trench). The Archbishop of Canterbury has published his recent charge on "The Present Position of the Church of England."

Mr. John Timbs seems to be following closely in the wake of Mr. Jeffreson, whose "Book about Doctors" is well-known to the profession. Mr. Timbs' new volumes are upon "Doctors and their Patients; or Anecdotes of the Medical World and Curiosities of Medicine." In a more general field we find also from Mr. Timbs, a volume entitled, "A Century of Anecdote;" a fourth instalment of "Things not Generally Known, on Notable Things in our own Time and Things to be remembered in Daily Life;" and a collection of gossip on "Clubs and Club Life in London," with anecdotes of its famous Coffee-Houses, Hostleries, &c., &c.

A new volume of Sermons, preached before the University of Cambridge, by the Master of the Temple, the Rev. Vicar C. J. Vaughan, is in press. The subject of the new work is "The Young Life equipping itself for God's Service."

Of the recent issues of Cassell & Co., may be noted—the second and concluding volume of the "Illustrated History of the War between France and Germany"—an admirable pictorial treasury of the wars and the fourth volume of "Little Folks," an illustrated magazine for the young.