

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

BOOKS THAT SELL IN EASTERN CANADA.

THE eastern book trade seem well satisfied with the business of the past month, though all are looking forward to an improvement as soon as the war is over. When the "war extra" disappears the public will give more time to sensible reading, and the book business will boom correspondingly. The leading dealers speak of the following six books as the best sellers of the month: "Rupert of Hentzau," by Anthony Hope; "The False Chevalier," by W. D. Lighthall; "Quo Vadis," by Henryk Sienkiewicz; "The King's Jackal," by Richard Harding Davis; "The Choir Invisible," by Jas. Lane Allen; "The Final War," by Louis Tracey. A good demand for M. McLennan's "Spanish John" is a feature of the month's business also.

QUEBEC SCHOOL GEOGRAPHY.

The Montreal News Co. have been appointed agents for Calkin's "Junior Geography." This work is much used in the schools of the Province of Quebec.

THE NEWNES SCIENCE SERIES.

Some time ago The Geo. Newnes Co., Limited, of London, Eng., published a series of books dealing with interesting scientific subjects, told in the form of a story. The list comprised "The story of the Piece of Coal," "The Photograph," "The Solar System," "Plants," and many others. Eminent writers and scientific authorities are among the authors. These books have "caught on" tremendously, both here and in the United States, and dealers are hardly able to supply the demand for them.

A COSTLY BOOK.

Messrs. F. E. Grafton & Sons, of Montreal, have on view in their salesrooms the only copy of Tissot's "Life of Christ" that has ever been offered for sale in Canada. The book contains the story of Our Lord's life, according to the four Gospels, in both Latin and English (the original edition was printed in French), with every important incident from his birth to his crucifixion, illustrated by water-color or pen and ink drawings. James Tissot, the artist, spent ten years in Palestine studying local conditions and types of Jewish character, and it has been said by those who are competent to judge that the original paintings are the most life-

like portrayals of the wonderful scenes surrounding the life and death of The Master that have ever been produced.

The original French edition was bought by Le Mercier, of Paris, at a cost of over \$300,000. The Century Co. are issuing a special American edition. All the paintings are reproduced in original colors, and as a sample of art printing alone the work is worthy of a place in every library. Unfortunately the great expense of issuing the book has compelled the publishers to make the retail price \$80, so that it is beyond the reach of many who desire to possess it. The book is published in two volumes.

AN OLD LIST OF CANADIAN PERIODICALS.

The other day I came across one of the few existing copies of "The Family Christian Almanac," an annual published

NAME.	COMMENCED.	SUMMER.	WINTER.	CASH-TERM.
Gazette.....	May 1, 1778.	Daily.	Mon, Wed. and Fri.	25s.
Herald.....	October 19, 1811.	Daily.	Tues., Thurs. and Sat.	30s.
Minerve.....	February 12, 1828.	Monday and Thursday.	Same.	20s.
Courier.....	February 1, 1833.	Daily.	Tues., Thurs. and Sat.	30s.
Temperance Advocate.....	May 1, 1835.	Semi-monthly.	Same.	2s. 6d.
Transcript.....	September 30, 1836.	Tues., Thurs., Sat.	Same.	12s.
Literary Garland.....	December 1, 1838.	Monthly.	Same.	15s.
L'Aurore.....	December 27, 1838.	Tuesday and Friday.	Same.	20s.
Missionary Record.....	June 26, 1840.	Quarterly.	Same.	Gratis.
Times.....	March 3, 1841.	Daily.	Mon., Wed. and Fri.	20s.
Melanges Religieux.....	May 1, 1841.	Tuesday and Friday.	Same.	20s.
Canada Gazette.....	October 2, 1841.	Saturday.	Same.	15s.
Register.....	January 1, 1844.	Thursday.	Same.	10s.
Missionary S. S. Record.....	January 1, 1844.	Monthly.	Same.	1s.
Pilot.....	March 5, 1844.	Tues., Thurs. and Sat.	Same.	25s.
Revue Canadien.....	January 4, 1845.	Tues., Thurs. and Sat.	Same.	20s.
Medical Journal.....	April 1, 1845.	Monthly.	Same.	15s.
Swiss Missionary Record.....	November 1, 1845.	Quarterly.	Same.	Gratis.
Witness.....	January 1, 1846.	Monthly.	Same.	15s.
Album.....	January 1, 1846.	Monthly.	Same.	20s.
Oddfellows' Record.....	January 1, 1846.	Monthly.	Same.	7s. 6d.
People's Magazine.....	April 1, 1846.	Wednesdays.	Same.	5s.
Protestant Herald.....	May 1, 1846.	Monthly.	Same.	5s.
Economist.....	May 2, 1846.	Saturdays.	Same.	10s.
Expositor.....	August 20, 1846.	Thursdays.	Same.	10s.
Shield.....		Occasionally.	Same.	

a number of years ago by Mr. R. D. Wadsworth, of Montreal. The edition was for the year 1847, and it contained a quantity of interesting information on all sorts of subjects, from weather forecasts to political and theological arguments. To me, the most interesting matter in the whole book was the list of newspapers and periodicals published in Montreal at that time, which is reproduced here. Not many of them are left, and the few that still live have passed into other hands since then.

NEW ISSUES IN MONTREAL.

The Montreal News Co. are issuing a paper edition of Anthony Hope's "Prisoner of Zenda," illustrated by Charles Dana Gibson. The book will be identical with the paper edition of the companion novel by

this popular author, "Rupert of Hentzau," and will sell at 75c.

"The Last American," by Archibald Clavering Guntler, is a new book that they will shortly offer to the trade. The story is said to be as thrilling as its famous predecessors, "Mr. Potter of Texas" and "Mr. Barnes of New York," and an enthusiastic reception is predicted for it. The Montreal News Co. will also handle Rudyard Kipling's new novel, "A Day's Work," for Canada. This, however, will not be issued until September. The cloth edition will be sold at \$1.50 and the paper at 75c.

"A Woman of Fortune," by S. R. Crockett; "Castle Inn," by Stanley J. Weyman, and Gilbert Parker's "Battle of the Strong," are three 75c. paper books which the Montreal News Co. will have in a few weeks' time.

A TEXT BOOK ON AGRICULTURE.

C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, is engaged in correcting the proofs of a book which he has written on farming. The book goes into questions of soil, tillage, implements, forestry, etc., in a scientific, but not technical manner.

Mr. James hopes to eventually have his work introduced in the schools. It will be published by Morang.

CANADIAN VERSE.

It is proposed to issue, in time for the Christmas trade, a Treasury of Canadian Verse. The editor may be Rev. Prof. Rand, and a well known publishing-house is spoken of as sponsor.

MR. MORANG'S AUGUST LIST.

A new edition of "The Prisoner of Zenda," to accompany the sequel to the story "Rupert of Hentzau," is due to the publisher's enterprise. The sequel certainly created a demand for the story, and the new edition of "The Prisoner" is identical in appearance with "Rupert." It