

lan & Co., New York—leads off with a well illustrated Review of Robert Burns' life from the pen of Mr. James Sime. The second part of "The unknown country," by the author of "John Halifax, Gentleman," is also given.

The Old Testament Student—American Publishing Society of Hebrew, Morgan Park, Illinois,—for January contains some figures and facts from the Editor in regard to Bible study in the pastorate. The result of an enquiry made by him by printed form addressed to ministers in active work for over five years and less than twenty years, all graduates of a theological seminary and belonging to the Congregational, Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopalian bodies. He concludes "The ministry taken through and through comes far short of doing in the line of Bible study what is expected of them, what might be expected of them, and what they ought to expect of themselves. The Bible is not known as it ought to be known."

The American Antiquarian begins its ninth volume with the year 1887. The January number has an interesting table of contents. The first paper is treats of the Indians of Puget Sound. The second is an illustrated article on the Villages and Clans found among the Emblematic Mounds. The third describes the Red Rock or the Sacrificial Stone near St. Paul. Under correspondence the Relics of the Iroquois, Mounds near Lake Superior, Gold and Bronze Relics in Nicaragua, Serpent Symbolism, Quartz Implements in Minnesota, and the pipe in shape of an Elephant's foot found in Kentucky are described, and a list of books on native Myths is given. The Editor speaks of the antiquity of man, claiming that it has been overstated. The notes are interesting as they give accounts of discoveries and explorations.

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