

# LITERATURE

THE BUCKEYE DOCTOR. By William W. Pennell.

THIS is a bright, snappy story to read, to be grateful for, and to turn to again with pleasure.

In it we have a picture of the rustic life of thirty years ago in a typical American village, with the "ups and downs" of a young physician in his encounter with rivals, ignorance, and maliciousness.

It is a delineation of one of those country villages—alas! not yet extinct—where the people are entirely preoccupied with themselves—and their neighbors.

In these leaves from life, the author preserves for posterity many of the dialects, customs, and methods of thought, of their forebears.

In search of the picturesque and romantic, many writers wholly neglect the great middle class from which they probably sprang. Not so our author!

It is safe to predict for this delightful volume a widespread and hearty recognition. The typography is excellent.

*The Grafton Press, New York.*

MORE LIGHT ON A DARK SUBJECT. By Dr. J. R. Bailey.

THIS book is different from anything that has hitherto been published on the subject of sexology, which is saying a good deal.

Dr. Bailey thinks along original lines. He treats the subject from the standpoint of nature, apart from any system of therapeutics. In nature there is nothing impure, but, unfortunately, humanity has strayed a long way from Eden, and needs to hie it back to first and harmonious conditions.

In these days when we have "picnic marriages," and "Christmas divorces," when we have marriage for wealth, marriage for prestige, or perhaps for mere curiosity, these brave, outspoken, manly pages are fitting and timely.

In this treatise, Dr. Bailey handles the subject with great delicacy, and in an able,

commendable manner. To many his practicalities and helpful suggestions will come like a revelation.

*Chequamegon Press, Ashland, Wis.*

THE UNTRAINED NURSE. By A Graduate of Bellevue Hospital.

THIS book, which meets a need hitherto unmet, ought to be worth its weight in gold to every household.

It was written primarily to help those who are unable to engage the services of a trained nurse, and who still recognize their own ignorance and inexperience as nurses.

It will be especially helpful, too, in the country, where skilled aid is not always obtainable.

The chapters are entitled Home Nursing, Medicines, Water, Chest Diseases, Diseases of Heart and Blood, Fevers, Home Surgery, Eyes, Ears, etc., Children's Diseases, Operations, Selected Receipts, Death, and in Danger of Death. The book is also indexed for ready reference.

Every home should have a copy of this really excellent work.

*The Angel Guardian Press, Boston.*

WOOD FOLK AT SCHOOL. By William J. Long.

EVERY new thing that comes from the pen of this writer, we mentally declare to be his best. This is the sixth of Long's books, and assuredly we love him more than ever.

In this work, Long takes us into the forests, that we may watch the mothers teaching their little kindergarten schools in spruce dens and thickets of alder. The wood-folk, he tells us, receive their knowledge from instinct, training and experience.

To-day, scientists and nature lovers are studying afresh the instincts of men and beasts, because these instincts are nature's prophecies foretelling coming events. Instincts never deceive any beast, and it is through them he guards against danger,