

Literary Notes and Reviews.

Mrs. Gladstone's first article in the series of "Hints From a Mother's Life," which she has written for *The Ladies' Home Journal*, will appear in the April issue of that periodical.

The first number of the *Daily Standard*, published at Regina, is to hand and presents a neat appearance. THE MANITOBA wishes the *Standard* success in its new departure, it having hitherto been a weekly.

Of the many bright and readable papers that reach us, none are more welcome than the *Victoria Home Journal*. It is a weekly of sixteen pages devoted to social, political, literary, musical and dramatic gossip, and is well worthy of perusal. Published every Saturday at Victoria, B.C., at \$1 per year.

The *Colonist* for March is out. This publication is making special efforts at present to place the claims of Manitoba before the world as a field for immigration. Descriptions are given from month to month of the various districts of that province and the Territories. This last number contains an article on a trip from Winnipeg to the Coast by a well-known writer.

Of the many monthly papers we receive perhaps the most original and unique is *The Great Divide*, published at Denver, Colorado. It is literally full of interesting articles relating to the Great West, the Rocky Mountains with its gulches and canyons, and other places of interest. Each number is handsomely illustrated and printed on good paper. Being a western paper it seems nearer home to us than an eastern magazine which will make it all the more interesting. Published by the *Great Divide Co.*, Denver, Colorado. Subscription, \$1 per year; single copies 10c.

The March number of the new *Dominion Illustrated Monthly* is to hand and is fully up to the previous issue. Two beautiful pictorial supplements are given away with this number while the entire contents give us a feast of good things with numerous illustrations. The serial story "The Raid from Beausejour," by Chas. G. D. Roberts is continued and continues as interesting as ever. "From Canada to St. Helena," by A. McCook is an account of an interesting trip to the famous isle where Napoleon ended his days. "Deacon Snider and the Circus" as told by Wm. Wilfred Campbell will give you a hearty laugh and reminds us of youthful days. "Historic Canadian Waterways," by J. M. Le Moine is an interesting chapter of Canadian History; "Curling in Canada," is graphically described by James Hedley, while current events with portraits of the new Quebec Ministry. "Scraps and snaps" by F. Blake Cufton, "When Bill Came Down," a story by El. W. Sandys; "How Jack won his Snowshoes," by Samuel M. Baylie; "Jamaica Vistas," by Dr. Wolfred Campbell, and "To My Canary Bird," by Geo. Martin, complete an excellent number. Published by the Sabiston Litho. & Pub. Co., Montreal.—\$1.50 per year.

The *Weekly Mirror* is the latest addition to the newspaper field in Winnipeg. It is neatly printed, contains numerous articles on dramatic society and sporting events, also general notes on the news of the week. If not quite the *pink* of perfection the publishers are endeavoring to make it so. We wish them success. \$2 per annum, 5c per copy. Published by The *Mirror* Pub. Co., Winnipeg.

We have received a copy of the handsomely illustrated prospectus for 1892 issued by *The Detroit Free Press*. The achievements of this famous paper in the past have been great, but if its promises for the future are to be fulfilled—and there certainly is no reason to expect the contrary—*The Detroit Free Press* will in 1892 be, as its publishers confidently claim, the most entertaining and instructive paper published, giving additional pleasures to its thousands of old subscribers and fresh enjoyment to the many thousand new ones that its merits deserve. Its list of contributors for 1892 includes many of the most famous names in American literary and public life, and most of the articles to be published are of unusual importance and interest, presenting a splendid array of valuable features in addition to the inimitable work done by its own staff of bright and famous writers.

The publishers of *The Free Press* will mail copies of the paper and prospectus to all applicants. Subscription \$1 per year. Published by the *Detroit Free Press Co.*, Detroit, Mich. If you wish to obtain this paper at a reduced rate, see our clubbing offer.

The March *Eclectic* leads off with an attractive article by the Duke of Marlborough, entitled "Merry England," which seems almost a misnomer, for it deals principally with the characteristics and institutions of American life, of which the author speaks in terms of the most cordial admiration. Sir C. Gavan Duffy contributes very interesting reminiscences of Thomas Carlyle, which are very fresh and racy. Articles of reminiscences appear to be dominant in this issue. Mr. Edward Dicey gives us much suggestive talk and anecdotes *apropos* of Tewfik Pacha, whom he knew well, and there is something which might be called a symposium of reminiscences concerning the late Cardinal Manning, a picturesque and fascinating personality, independent of his rank in the Church. H.B. Trail discusses "Minor English Poets," and there is a deserved tribute to the blind poet Marston, by Coulson Kernahan. Three taking science papers of a popular turn are "The Fuel of the Sun," by J. Ellard Gore, F.R.A.S., "Inter-Astral Communication," by Camille Flammarion, and "Some Possibilities of Electricity," by Prof. Wm. Crookes. Mr. J. G. Alger contributes a paper on "Women in the Reign of Terror," of great interest, though the facts are not essentially fresh. The same fascination seems to hang over the French Revolution now as in the past. "The fall of Balmaceda" is treated by an English writer resident in Chile with a spirit of fairness, and gives the best account of the episode which has appeared. The article entitled "Prince Bismarck Followed up" studies the life of the great man since he was