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RECENT MAGAZINES.

There are several educational articles of interest in the October Atlantic Monthly. The Rev. C. C. Hall writes on The Ideal Minister, this being the third of a series of which The Ideal Lawyer and the Ideal Teacher are the others. The Child of the Imaginative Life, by Louisa Lane McCrady, is a valuable addition to modern child study, while George M. Stratton's thoughtful article on Externalism in American Universities deals with problems of government and administrative policy in the college world. The Atlantic will celebrate its semi-centennial birthday by the publication of a special number November 1st, which will be looked for with great interest.

The part that Lord and Lady Dufferin took in Canadian affairs during the time that His Excellency was Governor-General here should be familiar to all Canadians, and therefore an article entitled "The Dufferin Family," by Margaret Eadie Henderson, in the October Canadian Magazine, is of unusual interest. Miss Henderson tells about incidents in the life of this distinguished Irish family quite apart from what might be regarded as their purely public affairs. The October number contains other important contributions.

The Living Age for October 5th re-prints from the London Outlook a very sane and suggestive article upon Canada and Japan, which treats of the general question of the competition of Asiatic labour on the Pacific coast. The Age's new serial story, The Return of the Emigrant, by Lydia Miller Mackay, if one may judge from the opening instalments, has a decided flavour of Ian Maclaren, though without any suggestion of imitation. The picture of the enforced emigration from Boronach is very strongly

The *Delineator* for November is a number replete with fashions, stories and other literature for the home. There are several appropriate stories and articles for Thanksgiving, and Chas. G. D. Roberts contributes an illustrated story called The Gentling of Red McWha.

The Canadian Magazine for November, contains interesting contributions, including Shakespeare and the Latter Day Drama by Wilfred Campbell; an introduction to the narrative of Col. David Fanning, by Judge Savary, and the first of what promises to be a delightful series of articles on French-Canadian folklore by Dr. Louis Frechette.

Lord Meath Empire Day Challenge Cups and League of the Empire Prizes.

ESSAY COMPETITION FOR EMPIRE DAY, 1908.

The following are the subjects and conditions for the Essay Competition inter-all-Secondary Schools and inter-all-Primary Schools of the Empire for Empire Day, 1908. A. SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Subject.—State and criticise the relation between Great Britain and any Country or Crown Coloný with which you are acquainted.

Conditions.—(Secondary Schools). A Silver Challenge Cup, value £10. 10s., presented by the Right Hon. the Earl of Meath, K. P., to be held by the School, and a personal prize of £5. 5s., given by the League of the Empire, is offered for competition, inter-all-Secondary Schools of the Empire, for an Empire Day Essay not exceeding 2,000 words. Age limit, 14 to 18 years old.

B. PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Subject.—(a) Write a letter to a friend desiring to emigrate, and point out the advantages of any Country, State, Province, or Crown Colony with which you are acquainted; (b) or to a friend living in any other part of the Empire, and point out the advantages of coming to settle in the United Kingdom.

Conditions.—(Primary Schools). A Silver Challenge Cup, value £10. Ios., presented by the Right Hon. the Earl of Meath, K. P., and a personal prize of £3. 3s., given by the League of the Empire, is offered for Competition, inter-Elementary Schools of the Empire, for an Empire Day Essay, not exceeding 1,000 words. Age limit, under 14 years old

All essays must first be judged in the schools, and afterwards by the authorities kindly co-operating with the League in the different countries of the Empire.

Only those Essays sent in through the authorized channels will be eligible for the final judging arranged for by the Federal Council of the League in London.

The Essays which are entered for the final judging in London, must reach the Central Office by the 1st of February next, and New Brunswick Essays must be sent to Education Office, Fredericton, not later than Jan. 1st, 1908.

The names of the winning schools will each year be engraved upon Cups, which are replicas of the Warwick Vase.

The Cups and Prizes will be dispatched in time to reach the winning schools before the 24th of May each year.

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