

which were drawn from his own diary, written in the wild solitudes where he laboured among the red-men. This biography has always been a favourite, and probably has had a widespread influence for good; it is said that Henry Martyn, on reading it, decided to become a missionary. The volume

is appropriately prefaced by an essay on "God's Hand in Missions," by Dr. Arthur T. Peirson, and the closing pages contain the funeral sermon, preached by Jonathan Edwards on the death of this faithful missionary to the Indians, who could say in life's closing hours, "My work is done."

NOTES.

MEDALS are this year offered by the Education Department of Ontario for competition among the students of Art Schools and Mechanics' Institutes.

AN astronomical chart, "The Stars and Constellations," intended for use in schools, academies and colleges, is shortly to be issued by Messrs. Funk and Wagnalls, of New York.

TEACHERS and others engaged in literary work know well the value of a good Cyclopædia, such as that lately published by A. J. Johnson & Co., of New York. Testimonials from the highest authorities are a guarantee for its excellence.

EDINBURGH students from this side of the "sea," have formed a club to be known as the trans-Atlantic club. At their rooms, 37 Chambers Street, Edinburgh, they offer lonely student lads an opportunity to read home papers and journals and enjoy the society of fellow-exiles.

THE *Pennsylvania Teacher*, now in its tenth volume, has lately appeared in an improved form. The contents are varied—original articles of a high order (e.g., "Poverty of Ideas among the Older Scholars" in the February number), selected articles and short poems. We wish the *Teacher* good speed.

THE *Canadian Science Monthly*, of Wolfville, Nova Scotia, is issued in connection with the Canadian Postal College of the Natural Sciences and for the purpose of carrying out the course of study prescribed

by that college. It contains a good deal of scientific information in a concise and modest form.

ANOTHER volume of the Teachers' Handy Library has just been issued by The New England Publishing Company of Boston. "School Keeping, How to Do It," by Dr. Frank Orcutt, author of "Gleanings: from School Life Experience." It is dedicated to the teachers of New England, and bids fair to add to the reputation of its author.

A DICTIONARY of national biography in fifty volumes is to be brought out in London by Smith, Elder & Co., and in New York by Macraillan & Co. The *British Quarterly Review*, in a recent number, speaks of it as a great national enterprise, and mentions Bishop Abbott, Queen Anne and Prince Albert as among the biographical subjects in Vol. I. which has just been issued. Mr. Leslie Stephen is the editor.

THE fiction of the March *Lippincott* is above the average, the chief attraction being Mr. Baylor's "On This Side." The short stories are good, and the paper on Mexico, by John Heard, Jr., is instructive. Among the solid articles is one on the New Orleans Exposition. The author seems to join in the impression that the scheme is unwieldy and unpromising. *Lippincott* holds its own well among the first magazines.

THE high reputation of *Littell's Living Age* is not likely to depart from it, even in the midst of the keen competition in its own province. In the number for the week end-