NEW BOOKS REVIEWED-Continued.

actually commits the murder. But he hasn't and the robber turns up safe and sound, is induced by the Englishman, who has fallen under the influence of a married and good woman, to will the money to London charities. Dr. Nikola arrives to find that his prey has escaped him and is for the first time, perhaps, since Mr. Boothby made us acquainted with his devilish ingenuity and powers, a thoroughly outwitted scoundrel. No need to say that the tale is very interesting.

YULE LOGS.—Edited by G. A. Henty. Art cloth cover; illus.; 430 pp., \$1.25. The Copp, Clark Co.. Toronto. In this volume are 11 short stories of adventure for boys. Mr. Henty himself writes one, and other contributors are well-known writers like G. M. Fenn, Bloundelle-Burton, Henry Frith, etc. The illustrations are abundant and striking, and the tales all most exciting reading, perhaps a little "older" than the Henty books for boys, but well-suited to the holiday season, as the volume is undoubtedly designed to serve.

THE DIVISION COURTS ACT, ONTARIO .--By W. H. Higgins. Leather, 544 pp. The Carswell Co., Limited, Toronto. The usefulness of this law book will not be questioned. It contains the Ontario Act with amendments down to date, the new revised rules and forms, a review of the tariff of fees of clerks and bailiffs, with full instructions to the officers of the courts on questions that arise. To lawyers, officials and others concerned in division court practice the book will be a veritable boon. The author and compiler, who produced the "Division Court Hand Book" and occupies an official position in the Department, is well qualified for the task, and the publishers, who have an enviable reputation for producing law books, have done the work in their usual fine style.

SIR THOMAS BROWNE AND HIS RELIGIO MEDICI.—By Alexander Whyte, D. D. Cloth, gilt top, 90 pp., 2s. Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier, Edinburgh. Dr. Whyte has written a biographical and critical essay on the famous English physician of the 17th century, and added to it some apt selections from the best known of his writings. The extracts are selected so as the exhibit more particularly the robust nature of Sir Thomas' religion.

IN KING'S HOUSES.—By Julia Dorr. Cloth, 372 pp., \$1.50, 6 illustrations. L. C. Page & Co., Boston. As lively and healthily written an historical tale for boys,

old and young, as we have seen. Very suitable as a holiday book or Christmas present. Little Robin, supposed to be the grandson of an old nurse of Princess Anne, daughter of James II. of England, lives in the forest of Windsor. Royalty chances by, and Anne, soon to be queen, recognizes her old confidential servant. Robin plays with the little Duke of Gloucester, and ultimately rises in the world by court favor, and turns out to be Sir Robert Valdegrove, an outlawed supporter of the last of the Stuart kings. Queen Anne is well described, and the political events of the time are sparingly used to impart incident to the tale.

SIR WILLIAM WALLACE. -By A. F. Murison. Cloth, 159 pp., 1s. 6d. Famous Scot's series, Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier, Edinburgh. Prof. Murison has patiently groped about among the scanty records of the 13th century, and presents a most learned and patriotic account of the struggles of Wallace for the liberties of Scotland. This biography, therefore, although brief, is thorough and detailed. From the chroniclers and rhymers of the time, as vivid a picture as possible of Wallace's personality is drawn, and the story of the man who resisted the English and laid forever the foundation of Scotch independence, is strikingly told.

The marriage of Mr. C. L. Nelles, of Guelph, to Miss Alice M. Pipe, daughter of the late Dr. Wm. Pipe, of Berlin, and neice of Mr. Edmund Harvey, Guelph, took place Oct 15. Mr. Nelles is one of the most successful and enterprising stationers in Ontario, a shrewd buyer, a clever advertiser and a good fellow generally.

TRADE NEWS.

- E. N. Niblock, Medicine Hat, N.W.T., stationery, has sold out his business.
- W. J. Rickaby has been registered proprietor of The Canada Music Co. Quebec.

The stationery stock of M. Jolico r. Ottawa, has been sold at 42 ½ c. on the dollar.

G. B. Salmond, books and stationery, Brantford, has admitted W. W. Muir for partner.

Mr. Ogilvie has his new business running on Sparks street, Ottawa, and his advertisements appear daily in the local newspapers.

We record with great regret the death, at Blyth, by an accident, of the late Mr. Cooper, of Clinton, head of the flourishing boook and stationery business of Cooper & Co., Clinton. The business has been sold to Albert T. Cooper, as sole proprietor, who has been in the store since its establishment by his father, in 1886, and who has practically managed it during the last six or seven years. Mr. Cooper, who is an active and qualified bookman, deserves continued success.

A COMMERCIAL DIARY.

Lovell's "Commercial Compendium and Diary" for the year 1899, is in the press. This work will be of special interest to bankers, insurance managers, manufacturers, wholesale and retail merchants, etc. \$20 worth of the latest information every year, including a splendid diary of two days to the page throughout the year, for \$2 to advance subscribers, to non-subscribers \$3. Published by John Lovell & Son, law book and general publishers, Montreal.

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