

*Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science.* Vol. V., No. 6, and Vol. VI., No. 1. Philadelphia. \$5.00 a year. The great question of municipal government for cities stands out prominently in these numbers. Among the cities brought under review we have London, Glasgow and Berlin in the Old World, and New York, Boston, Philadelphia and San Francisco on this continent. Three other articles, valuable to students of political economy and politics, are, "Theories of Value and the Standard of Deferred Payments," "Ethical Basis of Distribution and its Application to Taxation," and "Development of the Present Constitution of France."

*Current History.* Vol. V., Nos. 1 and 2. Buffalo, N.Y. : Garretson, Cox & Co. \$1.50 per annum. These two numbers of an exceedingly convenient *résumé* of current events carry us to the midsummer of the present year. We notice a pretty decided American (United States) coloring in the presentation of events, with perhaps a little spice of Anglophobia. Scientific impartiality would add to the value of a work of this kind, which, notwithstanding this defect, represents a large amount of valuable and judicious labour.

*The Religion of Science Library.* May and July numbers, 1895. \$1.50 per annum. Chicago : The Open Court Publishing Company. The second of these numbers, "The Gospel of Buddha," we have already reviewed in another form. The May number, "Wheelbarrow on the Labor Question," is a unique work. The author began life as a laboring man with a pick and a wheelbarrow, passed on to be a school-master, and finally a general in the American army during the Civil War. He brings to bear on his varied subjects wide observation, keen common-sense and a vein of original wit, humor and pathos, all combined. Every chapter in the book holds the reader in the keenest interest, and even delight, as he sees one after another of the castles of ignorance, prejudice, assumption and conceited theory demolished by the literary weapons of the gifted author. The book (price, 35 cents) should be read by every man who deals with social questions from the public platform.

*The Preacher's Assistant.* Frank I. Boyer, Editor and Publisher, Reading, Pa. \$1.00 per year. In the July number Count A. Bernstorff, of Berlin, says : "We must have Christians who, remaining laymen and workmen, are able to preach the Gospel." This is just what John Wesley thought, and by the blessing of God he raised up a noble band of local preachers, many of whose names the Church will never let die. The August number has some weighty words on "Culture and Spirituality."

*The Chautauquan.* Dr. Theodore L. Flood, Editor, Meadville, Pa. \$2.00 per year. July, August and September numbers. The former is the "Summer Recreation Number," and like the others, is filled with a great variety of useful and interesting contributions.

The *Review of Reviews* for September calls attention to the change in European sentiment on the liquor question, as shown especially in the establishment of the French monopoly of the manufacture and wholesale supply of strong liquors, in the work of the Belgian Commission, and in the still more important action taken by Russia in setting up a government monopoly of the entire wholesale and retail traffic in liquors throughout the Empire. "Everywhere in Europe, says the editor of the *Review*, "the fact is becoming recognized that liquor selling is not only an unbecoming business, but one that is socially and politically dangerous—requiring new and rigid regulation or else total suppression."