

"The Old Testament Vindicated as Christianity's Foundation-Stone." The book has just been placed on the market.

MANITOBA'S EARLY DAYS.

Rev. George Young, D.D., of Toronto, who has been called "The founder of Methodist missions in the Red River Settlement," has in the press of Wm. Briggs a volume entitled "Manitoba Memories: Leaves from My Life in the Prairie Province," announced for publication early in June. Dr. Young passed through stirring scenes in the early history of that country. He was sent out by the Mission Board of his church in 1868, and planted the first Methodist mission in what is now the city of Winnipeg. He and his heroic wife remained there through the troublous times of the first Riel insurrection. He attended the unfortunate Thomas Scott in his last hours, and was a sorrowful spectator of his tragic murder by the rebels. In this volume he goes very fully into the narrative of those exciting times; also describes the famine of 1868-69, the abortive Fenian raid of 1871, and relates the growth and progress of Methodism until his return to Ontario in 1884.

A NEW PANSY BOOK.

"Overruled," a new story by "Pansy," will be placed on the market the 15th of this month by William Briggs, in his well-known Canadian copyright edition.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The literature on Sabbath observance has been augmented by a treatise on "The Nation and the Sabbath," by Rev. W. H. Jamieson, M.A., from the press of William Briggs.

A CANADIAN EPIC POEM.

Mrs. Currie's epic poem "John St. John and Anna Grey: a Romance of Old New Brunswick," is announced for issue during the present month by William Briggs. The authoress, who is a Fredericton lady, has set her story in the old U.E. Loyalist times.

GOOD SELLERS.

Among the best sellers of the month past Roberts' "Forge in the Forest," and Mrs. Kingsley's "Paul: a Herald of the Cross," have held a leading place. Few stories of recent years have called forth such general and warm praise as Mr. Roberts' fine romance. It has given its author a place among the great writers of fiction of the day.

MORE CANADIAN VERSE.

John Stuart Thomson's "Estabelle and Other Verse," will appear within a fortnight with William Briggs' imprint. The age of poesy can scarcely be said to have passed

when recently this house had five volumes of Canadian verse in course of issue at the one time.

DEVIL TREE OF EL DORADO.

No wonder the Toronto News Co. report a large sale for the "Devil Tree of El Dorado." It is an adventure story of absorbing interest. It relates the experiences of a small party of explorers who visit the at present inaccessible mountain of Roraima, on the Venezuela frontier, the ownership of which is now in dispute. They find a race of white men with an advanced early civilization shut up in a city on the table land on the mountain top. The high priests are cruel tyrants and the awful devil tree is one of the most extraordinary inventions of modern romance. It is not a "shocker," but a lively, well-told story, and will be equally suitable to men and women.

GOOD BOOK SELLING.

The Bain Book and Stationery Co., 53 King street east, Toronto, have experienced quite a boom in their book department in the sale of two important books published last month—Nansen's "Farthest North" and General Lord Roberts' "Forty-one Years in India." Mr. Hæstis, the manager, thought he had a "good thing," and boomed the sale of these works, the result being that he has sold a large number of sets of these works at \$10 and \$12 respectively. Besides this, they have sold already about seventy-five (75) sets of the "Nansen" book in the cheaper Colonial editions in paper and cloth bindings.

DR. HODGINS ON SEPARATE SCHOOLS.

Dr. J. George Hodgins has compiled a valuable record of the Ontario separate school legislation from 1841 to 1876. It is made full and clear by the private correspondence of the late Egerton Ryerson and by Dr. Hodgins' perfect familiarity with the whole subject of school laws. It is a book which all who are interested in our educational and general history will wish to have, being not only valuable material for history, but in itself a striking page from our annals.

THE POMP OF THE LAVIETTES.

This is Gilbert Parker's latest novel. It is a powerful tale of French-Canadian life in the days of Papineau's rebellion. The Laviettes, parents and children, have characteristics of the race. The youngest daughter marries an Irishman of noble birth who is living the last years of a mis-spent life in Quebec. Round this strange union the most stirring events of the story circle. The end is tragic and the principal feature of the book to the ordinary reader is the striking picture one gets of the domestic life of an ambitious family with all the local

coloring of the French province. In this respect, it is a faithful delineation of a phase of character which has much interest for English-speaking Canadians. The edition in cloth by the Copp, Clark Co. makes a beautiful little book.

A NEW NOVEL OF NOTE.

The critics are praising "On the Face of the Waters," by Flora Annie Steel. It is a tale of the Indian Mutiny, told without exaggeration, and the events of history are accurately adhered to. The authoress lives in India and knows her ground well. The book is to be had in the Colonial Library from the Copp, Clark Co. and retails at 75c.

A BOOK FOR CLIPPINGS.

The bookseller is often asked by customers for a good book for clippings. Most of them require heavy and systematic labor in the way of pasting and classifying. Then, without an index, the collection is unsatisfactory. A new book for clippings just being got out by Warwick Bros. & Rutter is ahead of any we have yet seen. It is a strongly bound book, not large in size, with gilt letters on the back, "Clippings." The leaves in front are indexed, and the pages are numbered. Each page is an envelope made of thin but strong manilla paper. The flaps of the envelope are long and of stout linen. They will allow the envelopes to get fat with clippings and still hold on. The book is bound to permit of considerable inward expansion, and you are free of the trouble of pasting. You classify by simply slipping the clippings into the envelopes and the leaves in front with their lettered index supply you with the number of the page-envelope. An enquiry may be addressed to Mr. Ernest J. Hathaway, of Warwick Bros. & Rutter's, and the book will retail at \$2.

A BOOK OF THE HOUR.

Just as we go to press there arrives from England a book of which fuller notice will be given later on. It is a timely publication, dealing with a subject that is rapidly becoming the chief Imperial issue of the day: the British Empire's food supply. The work is by Mr. R. B. Marston, and is entitled: "War, Famine and Our Food Supply." It embodies the latest information on the subject, and the accompanying tables and illustrations afford those who wish to comprehend the position of affairs a clear insight into the present abnormal conditions regarding the food of the British people as affected by war. The book contains about 200 pages, with the colored diagrams and tables, and a number of illustrations, and is published at 2s. by Messrs. Sampson, Low, Marston & Co. St. Dunstan's House, Fetter lane, London, E.C. The British Empire League in Canada is taking this question up, and the booksellers should find the volume in demand.