

Ballous Monthly comes to us with its usual quota of pleasing articles while the wide circulation it enjoys, tells plainly how well it is appreciated. Agriculturists and Horticulturists, in fact every one who takes any interest directly or indirectly in these two branches of industry would do well to subscribe for "The American Agriculturist." The interesting amount of matter and the large number of beautiful illustrations in this periodical make it a desirable luxury, nay necessity to thousands. ARTHUR'S LADIES' HOME MAGAZINE and CHILDREN'S HOUR, as usual present a pleasant variety of interesting and instructive reading matter.

We have received the Prospectus of a new weekly paper about to be published in Toronto, entitled "PURE GOLD." Should the proprietors effect all they promise, and we hope they will, they will issue a Journal well worthy the support of everyone who wishes to see a healthy, moral, and elevating class of literature take the place of the great amount of trash stuff that seem to be hailed with so much pleasure by many readers. We earnestly hope the enterprise will be a great success, and that PURE GOLD will continue long to shine undimmed in literature as in metal, for all time. Mr. Geo. H. Flint of this City is the publisher of the Journal for the proprietors.

We beg briefly to refer to the "CANADIAN MAGAZINE," which is dealt with it, at length in our Editorial elsewhere. Volume two, will witness the change of name in our Magazine. The cover will be quite a new design, the size of the Journal greatly increased, and the Magazine illustrated, while the articles will be from the pens of some of the best living writers. We promise our many readers something of superior merit, during the coming year of our publication.

The publishers urgently request that all subscribers who are as yet in arrears with their

subscription, will remit the amount to them at once, as they are desirous of having everything settled before the issue of the new volume. Our friends will be good enough we trust to remit the \$1 cts. by return post.

Fifty-five hundred copies of Hans Anderson's latest story, *Lykke Peer*, were printed for the first edition in Denmark; a remarkable large venture for that little country.

Victor Hugo was a quiet spectator of the siege of Paris, but far from an unobservant or passive looker-on; and he now sends forth to the nations a valuable lesson in the form of an allegory.

George Sand, though in her 67th year, contemplates a long journey through the Orient the coming spring, for the purpose of collecting materials for a new work, *Religions of the East*.

In the British Museum are a number of cases bequeathed by Francis Douce, the well-known literary antiquary, on condition that they are not to be opened until the year 1900. No one is aware of their contents.

Geo. Augustus Sala has a book about France in preparation. Mr. Sala has sued the publishers of Mr. Friswell's work, *Modern Men of Letters Honestly Criticised*, a book in which his personal peculiarities and private habits are handled in the most offensive manner.

Prof. Weber, of Berlin, is printing a romanized edition of the *Samhita of the Black Yajur Veda*. This is the only *Samhita* now remaining unprinted. The Bengal Asiatic Society are publishing an edition with *Sayana's Commentary*, in their *Bibliotheca Indica*, two volumes of which have already appeared.

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