

an article from the pen of Mr. Williams, on the life and character of the late President Garfield.

*Song-Sermons.* By PHILIP PHILLIPS. Montreal: Dawson Bros.

This is a work on an original plan devised by Mr. Phillips, in which Bible readings are combined with hymns and music, selected with special reference to each other, so as mutually to illustrate and render impressive every part of the service. This volume contains twelve Song Sermons. The reading and music bear upon the same theme. The tunes are all composed by Mr. Phillips, and comprise the most popular of those included in the Moody and Sankey collection, with many not published elsewhere.

*Ordination Charge.* Delivered by the Rev. E. EVANS, at Moncton, N.B., June 27th, 1881. Halifax: Conference Office.

This able discourse may be called, in the patristic sense of the word, an apology, or defence of Methodism. It sets forth its scriptural character, and its providential development, and its sublime mission. It abounds in wise counsels and admonitions to the young men ordained, and its thoughtful utterances may well be pondered by our friends, lay as well as clerical, throughout the connexion. It is well printed at the *Wesleyan* office.

It is gratifying to notice that Canadian literature is receiving due recognition abroad. One of the latest instances of this is the favourable notices by the English press of Mrs. Lauder's "Legends and Tales of the Hartz Mountains." These tales though written in Germany, and the result of a somewhat protracted residence in the Hartz region, are the work of an accomplished Canadian lady, the wife of Mr. A. W.

Lauder of this city. The book is published by the high-class London house of Hodder & Stoughton, and is dedicated, by permission, to the reigning Queen of Italy. It is thus noticed in the last number of the *British Quarterly Review*: "The Hartz Mountains are the very home of weird legends and fairy fancies. The author has collected some seventy or eighty of them, and has translated them in a very bright and pleasant way. It is an addition to our stories of folk lore, which will have attractions for both old and young."

We have also received a copy of of the Presidential address of Dr. Canniff, delivered before the Canada Medical Association in Halifax, N.S., on August 3rd, 1881. It is an admirable paper, written with the doctor's well-known good taste and literary ability. We all of us, in our hours of sorest need, are laid under obligation to a profession which is second to none in self-sacrifice and helpfulness; and the sections on the duties of physicians to their patients, and the obligations of patients to their physicians; the duties of physicians to each other, and to the profession at large; and the duties of the profession to the public, and the obligations of the public to the profession, as here discussed, are of interest to us all.

The Fourth and Fifth parts of "*The Last Forty Years; or, Canada since the Union of 1841.*" By JOHN CHARLES DENT. (George Virtue, Publisher, Toronto), have come to hand. They sustain the high character of the earlier numbers previously noticed. They are embellished with portraits of Sir A. T. Galt, Hon. A. Crooks, the late Judge Moss, Hon. E. Blake, and Sir Chas. Tupper, and by good views of Canadian scenery.