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THE April number of *The Pulpit* contains quite a number of complete sermons by master minds of all denominations, including such topics as "Abraham and Isaac," by Rev. S. Wesley Johnston, D.D., of Brooklyn; "The Present Craze for Non-Continuance," by Rev. S. S. Mitchell, D.D., of Buffalo; "Our Conversation," by Rev. F. A. Noble, D.D., of Chicago; "The Old Faith," by Rev. M. C. Lockwood, D.D., of Cincinnati; "Seeking and Finding God," by Rev. C. Scadding, of Toledo; "The New Communion," by Rev. Dr. Lang, of Glasgow; and others of equal interest. One dollar a year, 10c. a copy. Edwin Rose, Publisher, Buffalo, N. Y.

**SKETCHES AND RECOLLECTIONS** of George T. Angei.—This book (8 vo., pp. 255) may be had of the author, who is President of the American Humane Education Society, 19 Milk St., Boston, for 10c. in paper, or 25c. in cloth, by mail. It tells, in an interesting manner, of the labors and successes of this enthusiast in humane work, for the last thirty years, in America and Europe. Almost all the humane legislation of the United States and many other countries, is due to him. In ages to come his name will be remembered as one of the world's great benefactors. His monthly (illustrated) periodical, *Our Dumb Animals*, is one of the finest things that reaches our table. No Young People's Society, or organization among the children, should be without a few copies of *Our Dumb Animals*. Send a dollar to 19 Milk St., and see how much good literature you can get for it for the children.

THE METHODIST MAGAZINE for April: price, \$2 a year, William Briggs, Toronto. The April number is a special memorial of the late lamented Dr. Douglas. It contains a fine portrait, and eloquent tributes by the Revs. Dr. Carman, Dr. Potts, Dr. W. I. Saw, and Hugh Johnston. Other articles are: "Through Samaria," illustrating the current Sunday school lessons. It also describes the remarkable sect of the Samaritans, the smallest and the oldest in the world, now reduced to one hundred and fifty persons. They were celebrating their passover on Mount Gerizim when visited by the Editor. Many engravings illustrate the subject. "The White City" is also

splendidly illustrated. A sketch showing how Mr. Gladstone works, by his daughter, Mrs. M. Drew, also a sketch of Sir Samuel Baker, "The White Pasha." The *Magazine*, with its well-selected matter, should commend itself to all lovers of good reading.

THE May number of the *Missionary Review of the World* is marked by able articles and first class illustrations. There is an interesting variety in subjects treated and in the mode of presentation. The Editor-in-Chief, Dr. Pierson, opens the number with a paper in which he unfolds "The True Charm and Power of Missions"—unselfishness. Dr. John Robson, of Scotland, discusses "Jainism," the only form of Buddhism in India, where he has studied it in principle and practice. The much-neglected fields of Malaysia are described by Rev. W. F. Oldham. The information in this article is especially valuable, as comparatively little is known of the needs and work in this portion of the Island World. Rev. J. J. Fuller narrates some remarkable "Experiences in Jamaica and Old Calebar," in connection with the abolition of slavery, and work among his own people on the west coast of Africa. An illustrated article on the late Dr. John L. Nevius, by Rev. Gilbert Reid; a paper on the work of the Church Missionary Society, of England, for the last twenty years, and a full report of the Student Volunteer Convention in Detroit also appear in this issue. Published monthly by the Funk & Wagnalls Company, 30 Lafayette Place, New York. Price \$2.

## Children's Department.

### A SLUM DAY-NURSERY.

A little Dutch baby about fifteen months old, was among the happy little ones who find a refuge there during the hard and trying day, which must be long and weary for the slum babies in their homes. Taken at night by her mother to the wretched home, amid Godless surroundings, darkness and squalor, she carried away with her in her little mind and heart the influence which had been round her during the day. She could not talk, but her mother noticed with wonder that before eating her breakfast in the morning she put up her little hands, bowed her head, and sat silent for a minute or two. On bringing her to the Slum Nursery that day, the mother said, "Do you people pray here, before you eat?"

"Yes," they replied.

"Oh, then, that's what the little one means," she said.

So even the babies who cannot talk, are carry-