

of this great Society have been sufficiently indicated. Perhaps it is a little too old-fashioned, holds no annual meeting, and does not lend itself to the new ways of conciliating popular support; but those who for a long period have been familiar with its operations know that the Northumberland Avenue Office represents the precise centre of gravity of the Church of England, and that, whatever may be the thoughts and practices of Churchmen within that comprehensive girdle, they will realise that to the S.P.C.K. that famous line of Virgil applies, and to its great honour:

Tros Tyriusque mihi nullo discrimine agetur.  
—(*The Religious Review of Reviews.*)

## MAGAZINES—JUNE.

*Worthington's Illustrated Magazine and Literary Treasury*—A. D. Worthington & Co., Hartford, Conn.; \$2.50 per annum. The June number is the sixth of this new and very interesting magazine, and contains a pleasant account of "Life in Hawaii," well illustrated, and from the pen of Dr. C. T. Rogers. There is also an illustrated article on "London Church Choirs" which will be read with pleasure by those interested in the music of The Church. Miss Livermore contributes the sixth paper of the series, "In Ole Virginny—Fifty Years Ago." Altogether the magazine appears to us to be one which cannot fail to be a prime favorite in families, containing, as it does, bright, pure, instructive, and entertaining reading for the household.

*McClure's Magazine*—S. S. McClure, (Ltd.), 743 Broadway, New York; 15c each. This is the initial number of this magazine, and to judge from it, this monthly will take high place. This number contains amongst other interesting papers one on "Europe at the Present Moment," another on "Wild Animals," another on "Human Documents," being portraits at different ages of their lives of Gen. Lew Wallace, W. D. Howells and Alphonse Daudet. The articles are profusely illustrated and the illustrations well done.

*The Cosmopolitan* opens with an illustrated article of the City of Brooklyn, giving amongst other illustrations a view of the city from the top of one of the principal towers; an excellent view of the great New York and Brooklyn bridge; views of several public buildings, and cuts of newspaper men of that great city. It contains also a paper by H. H. Gowau on the "Rise and Decline of Hawaiian Monarchy," a timely article and one which will be read with much interest. "The Omega, the Last Days of the World," by Camille Flammarion, is continued in this number, and will be concluded in August. This magazine occupies a foremost place amongst those which reach our table.

*The Cosmopolitan Publishing Co.*, Sixth Ave., New York; \$3.00 per annum.

*The Homiletic Review*—Funk & Wagnalls Co., New York, \$3.00 per annum, is particularly fresh and timely. It opens with the first of a series of papers upon "Practical Politics; What can Clergymen do about it?" by Professor McCook, of Trinity College, Hartford. The Rev. J. F. Humphries, of Peru, New York, under the title of "Woman's Work in The Church," endeavours to get rid of St. Paul's limitations as to "speaking in The Church," but it appears to us fails in his object. Dr. Brooks, of Brooklyn, contributes a paper entitled "Extra Biblical Evidence for the Primitive Sabbath," dealing with it in answer to the question, "What light does comparative religion throw upon the subject." He seems to think

that the weight of modern scholarship outside of America is in favor of the view taken by Dr. Hesse that the Sabbath dates back only to the Exodus, and adduces as against this the arguments drawn from comparative religion.

*The Atlantic Monthly*—Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston and New York; \$4.00 per annum. Anyone desiring to know something of the Pygmies of Africa will find a full and interesting paper by John Dean Catton in the *Atlantic* for June. In the same number is found a number of "New Facts Concerning the Pantheon at Rome," from the pen of Rodolfo Lucanini. "The Future of Local Libraries" is discussed by Justin Winsor, in view of the action taken by the State of Massachusetts in creating a Library Commission and committing to a small body of select men and women the task of fostering local libraries. This number of this old and ever welcome magazine, now in its 71st volume, is particularly good.

*The Treasury of Religious Thought*—E. B. Treat, 5 Cooper Union, New York; \$2.50 per annum. This is the second number of Volume 11 of this very useful magazine, especially so to our denominational friends. The leading sermons in this number are by the Rev. James Demarest, of the Reformed Church, Flushing, New York, upon "The law of gaining and losing;" by the Rev. Charles Parkhurst, D.D., Madison Square Presbyterian Church, New York, on "Conscience;" followed by an address on the "Social Side of Church Life," delivered by the Rev. G. B. F. Hallock, Rochester, New York, at the rededication of the enlarged Sunday School room and Chapel of the brick Presbyterian church of that city. There is a sermon also for children under the title, "The blade in the corn-field."

*The Ladies' Home Journal* for June appears to us to be an exceptionally good number. Of course we cannot speak authoritatively of the fashions either for bonnets and gowns further than as they appear pleasant to the eye. There are also designs for fancy work, needle and lace. The opening article is by Arthur Warren under the title of an "Empress at Home," and purports to give a sketch of the life of the present Empress of Germany, Augusta Victoria, with illustrations of the royal residence at Potsdam and the summer residence of the Empress.

The Curtis Publishing Co., Philadelphia.

## NEW BOOKS.

*THE LAMBS IN THE FOLD*, or "The Relation of Children to The Church and their Proper Nurture Therein," by the Rev. John Thompson, D.D., Sarnia; \$1.00.

We have here an excellent book lately issued by Messrs. Drysdale & Co., publishers, of Montreal, and written by a leading Presbyterian Divine in Ontario, and dealing with the relation of children and of families to the Church, the culture and training of the young, home life and family religion, woman's work in the Church, the claims and expectations of the Church in reference to the young, practical use of Baptism of infants, and growth in the Divine life. The teaching is wonderfully like that of the Church of England, both in regard to the character of the Church and also the position of children in it. The writer unmistakably affirms the oneness of the Church and its continuity from the days of Abraham, considering the Christian Church as but the second of God's dispensations in his dealing with men. Our author

also takes unmistakable ground as to the position of children in the Church, as strong as any Churchman could desire. He regards baptized children as fully introduced within the Fold, and repudiates the idea of their afterwards being called upon to "join the Church," and also the application of the term "Conversion" in its ordinary acceptance to such children. He says: "Our children and the young people of our Christian homes ought to be taught and made to feel that they are members of the visible Church of Christ by birthright and have been recognized by Baptism. From their childhood they have been under the laws of His house, and their peril is in breaking away and not seeking closer union. As this is the place Christ has given them, and such their corresponding responsibilities, why is it that we do not more frequently see the young of our Sabbath schools and Bible classes pass into the full membership of the Church? It is, I am persuaded, due largely to false ideas and false teaching on this subject; and the young are treated as being outside covenant relations, and in no sense different from the heathen. But to put forth such a view is to pour contempt on one of our fundamental positions." In the chapters upon Family Life, Family Religion, and Families of the Church, our author gives some most excellent advice to parents in regard to home life which, if followed up, would make the homes of our Dominion what they ought to be, but which it is feared in the majority of cases they are not. He insists as to woman's work in the Church, that whilst there is much cause for rejoicing that many new spheres of labour are opening which women can occupy with great advantage and in which they may bear noble testimony to their Lord, yet he hesitates not to affirm that it is in and through the family in home life that woman's influence is to tell most powerfully in the Church and in society. We heartily commend this book to our readers, and will be glad to know that it has secured a very wide and general circulation. It is got up in good style, printed on good paper and nicely bound in cloth, and reflects great credit upon the publishers.

*THE LIFE OF LOVE.* A Course of Lenten Lectures by the Rev. Canon Body, D.D., Longman's, Green & Co., New York.

We have here a series of lectures by the great missionary, Canon Body, delivered originally as a Lenten course at St. Paul's, Wilton Place, London, and based upon the "Magnificent." The author says in the preface to his work that the lectures did not escape criticism at the time of their delivery, and that he was charged on the one hand with Mariolatry and on the other with "derogating from the due honor of the Mother of God." This, he says, is the common experience of everyone who seeks to be loyal to that primitive Catholicism which is the recognized theology of the English Church. That theology gives a positive teaching as to the position of Mary and the Church, and as to our relation to her. It bids us to give her the honor and love that is due to her as the mother of our Lord and as our mother in Him. It recognizes her as the second Eve. But it knows nothing of the honor that is claimed for her as the Queen of heaven. The lectures are singularly beautiful and rich. Whilst there may be expressions which one and another would desire to vary, as a whole the teaching is sound, beautiful and inspiring, and the manner in which the subject is worked out under the various heads is most effective. These Canon Body entitles as follows: (1) Christian Life; (2) The Life of Love; (a) A Life of Separation; (b) Of Consecration; (c) Of Association; (d) Of Joy; (e) Of Sorrow; (f) Of Ministry. The work is one which will well repay reading and re-reading.