

GOSSIP OF THE TRADE.

ON June 9, the staff of The Westminster Pub. Co. presented George W. Goodall with a handsome dress suit case on the occasion of his severing his connection with the firm to take a position with the publishers of BOOKSELLER AND STATIONER.

The poem "Canada, My Home," by Grant Balfour, issued in pretty booklet form, has had wide circulation. It is now in the sixth thousand.

Since Mr. Fred Campbell's advancement to the general management of The Canada Paper Co., the Toronto branch of the company has been under the management of Mr. H. B. Donovan.

The Goodwin Company, Toronto, dealers in law books and stationery, have assigned to The Union Trust Co. Mr. C. W. Goodwin was manager of the company, which have been in business for about five years.

Mr. G. R. Roberts, manager of the Baptist Book Room and editor of The Canadian Baptist, has left for a two months' trip to England and the continent, combining business and pleasure. He was accompanied by his son, Dr. G. A. Roberts.

The output of books in America during 1901 was the largest on record—8,141, as against 6,358 in 1900. Of this number 1,348 were works of fiction. The English output for 1901 was 6,044, some 1,105 short of that of 1900. The output in Germany was 25,331 and of France 13,053, in each case a decrease.

The Endeavor Herald Company, which carried on a printing business at 35 Richmond street west, has sold out to The Endeavor Press, who will add considerably to the plant and enlarge the business. The manager of the new company, Mr. Peter R. Wilson, was for years foreman of The MacLean Publishing Company, and is a gentleman of long, practical experience in the printing business. Mr. N. F. Caswell, manager of The Endeavor Herald Company, now has charge of the printing of the Booklover's Library in Philadelphia.

Houghton, Mifflin & Co. have just published "The Literature of American History," edited for the American Library Association by Mr. J. N. Larned with the aid of 40 scholars and critics of distinction. This valuable reference book possesses 4,100 titles, for the most part followed by brief descriptive and critical notes. Mr. Wm. McLennan, of Montreal, is editor of

the Canadian section. Through the kindness of a Canadian resident in New York, who prefers not to disclose his name, Canadian public libraries have had distributed amongst them 250 copies of this volume. Canadian students and readers will find this book of particular interest.

School Trade Items.

Warwick Bros. & Rutter report the sale of scribbling and exercise books to be, up to date, the largest in the history of the house. The designs shown this year by this house are exceptionally attractive in comparison with all previous efforts, and the quality of the books is all that could be desired.

The travellers of this house have covered only about half their ground, but customers who have not yet seen their samples will be given an opportunity to place their orders in ample time for school trade.

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