

My Normans may but move as true with me
To the door of death. Of one self-stock at
first,
Make them again one people—Norman,
English;
And English, Norman;—we should have a
hand
To grasp the world with, and a foot to stamp
it

Flat. Praise the Saints, it is over. No
more blood!

I am king of England, so they thwart me not,
And I will rule according to their laws.

(To *Aldwyth*.)

Madam, we will entreat thee with all honor.

Aldwyth. My punishment is more than I
can bear.

LITERARY NOTES.

MR. WILLIAM BLACK'S new novel, "Green Pastures and Piccadilly," will appear in the *London Examiner*. It is to be a sequel to the "Strange Adventures of a Phaeton." The issue of a novel in one of the English weeklies is a novelty in publishing.

A NEW story by Mrs. Oliphant is commenced in the January number of *MacMillan's Magazine*. The title is "Young Musgrave."

MR. ALFRED RIMMER, formerly of Montreal, has written a work which MacMillan has just issued—"Ancient Streets and Homesteads of England." Mr. Rimmer has fallen into a profession more congenial than that of a merchant. This book contains 150 illustrations drawn by himself, and will bring into notice many choice bits of mediæval architecture in out of the way parts of England. Dean Howson has contributed an introduction to the work. It is a large 8vo volume.

MRS. OLIPHANT'S new work, the "Makers of Florence," is indeed a beautiful and interesting volume. If the historic associations and natural beauties of Florence touch the imagination even of the average Cook's tourist, it is easy to suppose that a writer of first-class fiction like Mrs. Oliphant would be moved to a glowing enthusiasm by the contact, even through centuries, with such names as Dante, Fra Angelico and Savonarola. The book is beautifully illustrated from drawings by Delamotte.

PAYER'S "New Lands within the Arctic Circle," has been published in 2 octavo volumes. He was one of the commanders of the Austrian ship *Tegethoff*. It is a story of startling adventure and heroic endurance, rewarded by the discovery of what he has called Franz Joseph Land, very far north in the Nova Zembla Sea. It is in this direction that we must now look for an approach to the North Pole. The literary skill with which the story is told far surpasses that used in books of Arctic exploration. Caught in the ice, this bold explorer drifted away north in the ice floe until the unknown land was reached. There he remained with his crew for two winters, and finally abandoning his ship, made his way successfully homewards, leaving the *Tegethoff* fast packed in the ice at Franz Joseph Land.

SIR EDWARD CREASY has published a "First Platform of International Law." It is rather an introduction to the subject than a complete treatise, and it is a book of the same general scope as President Woolsey's well-known treatise on the same subject. He discusses, however, all the recent questions, such as the Geneva Arbitration, the Brussels Conference, and the privileges of public ships in foreign ports.

MR. SWINBURNE, the popular Pagan poet, has been pouring the whole wealth in invective of the English language upon the head of Mr. Thomas Carlyle. Mr. Swinburne is a perfect master of English, but he is so angry that he occasionally rises to the boiling point of vaporious unintelligibility. His pamphlet is called "Notes of an English Republican on the Muscovite Crusade." The occasion of it is Mr. Carlyle's sympathy with the Christians. The Turks, naturally enough, are under Mr. Swinburne's protection.

LOVERS of chemistry will be glad to know, that Professors Roscoe and Schorlemmer, of Owen's College, have in preparation a treatise on Chemistry, complete but concise, brought up to the latest level of that rapidly advancing science. Vol. 1 is nearly ready, and will contain, besides the general introduction, the Chemistry of the Non-metallic Elements, Spectrum Analysis and Crystallography.

A complete index to the "Leisure Hour" has been issued, covering the whole series (25 vols. of that excellent periodical).

THE International Society of Americanists will hold their second session, at Luxembourg, in September next. Very valuable papers have been promised on its ancient aztec civilization—the civilization of the Incas—the mound builders—and the philological relation between the Indian and Tartar languages.

MR. WOOD'S account of his discoveries at Ephesus is well received by English scholars. For over eleven years he labored amid obstacles of all sorts, from ignorant and malicious officials, sinking test pits, and digging trenches around the site of the ancient city, until at last he was rewarded by finding the ruins of the temple of the great goddess Diana, and the shrine of the image which fell down from Jupiter.