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**Literary Notes.**

**The Evolution of a Girl's Ideal.** A little record of the ripening of the affections to the time of Love's coming. By Clara E. Laughlin. This is a dainty little booklet very nicely gotten up and rather more valuable on account of form than matter. It serves, however, to show the way a girl's ideal changes as she grows in knowledge of the word and in commonsense. Price, 50c. Fleming H. Revell Company, Toronto.

The fairy tales of Hans Anderson are too well known to need any praise, but a new edition of these delightful stories is worthy of note, especially when the edition is so fine as that just issued by Dana, Estes and Company, Boston. The volume is a rather large one, bound neatly and prettily in brown linen of serviceable hue, and the work of illustrating has been done remarkably well by Joseph J. Mora. There are eighty text cuts and twenty four full page half tones. The selection includes The Ugly Duckling, The Snow Queen, The Little Match Girl and a dozen other favourites.

**A Message to the Magians.** Studies from the Story of the Nativity, by Frank DeWitt Talmage. In his preface the author says: "The object of this booklet is to tell the simple Christmas story as found in the Bible, and to apply some of its beneficent teachings to the practicalities of everyday life." The book is divided into five chapters—Glad Tidings, Family Reconciliations, Three Wise Men, Christmas Joseph and Noble Requests—and is written very simply but in beautiful and touching language. The volume with its dainty binding and clear type will make a most attractive gift. Price, 50c. The Fleming H. Revell Company, Toronto.

Very desirable as Christmas gifts are the dainty books published by the H. M. Caldwell Co., Boston, especially in their Remarque Edition. This beautiful series of literary masterpieces is printed on hand made deckle-edge paper, with an original etching frontispiece by Marcel. The size is about four by six inches, and there are three different bindings, cloth at 40c; leather at 75c; and chamois at \$1.25. Among these little

books we find Sonnets From the Portuguese, by E. B. Browning; Friendship and Love, by Emerson; Thoughts of Marcus Aurelius; Enoch Arden, by Tennyson; and Will O' the Mill, by R. L. Stevenson. By writing the publishers a complete list of the books included in the Remarque Edition may be obtained.

In Time with the Stars. Stories for Children, by Thos. K. Beecher. In the preface Lyman Abbott says: "The stories held the undivided attention of the audience to whom they were told, as they will hold the undivided attention of those who read them in this volume. And this they did because they were true to nature alike in their outward form and in their inward spirit." And Edward Everett Hale says. "If I had told my Sunday School children such stories as these, I think they would have been better men and women." To such praise as this it is unnecessary for us to add. We have just to say that the form of the book is most suitable to the matter, the cover being a quiet gray studded with white stars. Price, 75c. Fleming Revell Company, Toronto.

The January number of the Harper's Bazar promises well for the new year just beginning. It opens with the second of Luan Ben's Talk to Spinsters on the Tendency toward Crabbedness. "The Truce" is a delightful story of children illustrated by F. Y. Cory, and Mary E. Watkins Freeman has one of her exquisite tree stories. The opening chapters of a new serial, "The Ultimate Moment," by William R. Lighthorn, are interesting and indicate that we are to enjoy the new story perhaps as much as we did "The Red House." The various departments are at their best. The subscription price to this valuable monthly is one dollar, and we may safely say that no magazine for women equals the Bazar in the variety and general character of its reading matter. It is literary, and at the same time practical in its suggestiveness. Harper & Brothers, New York.

We have received from the H. M. Caldwell Co., Boston, two books by L. J. Bridgman, the author of "Guess" which made such a happy hit with children when published some time ago. "Guess Again" is a book that will delight and interest children of almost any age. The idea is that a few lines of verse describe some animal or object well-known to the children who tries to guess what it meant. If he cannot do so he turns over the page and finds the answer to the conundrum. The brightly printed pages, with the many pictures, make this one of the most desirable of gift books for the little ones. The other book is called "Kewts" and tells of the visit of these quaint little men to the different states in the Union. This book would perhaps be more suitable for an American child, as Canadian children are not usually expected to be very well up in the different states to the south of us; but even for our children the book would have great interest. Each page has a picture, and the printing is large enough to be legible by even a beginner in reading.

Dana, Estes and Company, Boston, have published a series of five books by Walter E. Rowlands called among the Great Masters. These include the Great Masters or Warfare, Literature, Music, Painting and Oratory, and each volume is illustrated with a large number of reproductions of famous paintings giving scenes from the lives of the famous men discussed. The books are beautifully printed and bound in dainty white

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**A Treasury of Humorous Poetry, Being a Compilation of Witty, Facetious and Satirical Verse Selected from the Writings of British and American Poets.** Edited by Frederic Lawrence Knowles. This is the best book of its kind we have seen. It seems to contain the cream of all the humorous poetry of both the old land and new. The collection includes old fashioned favourites such as Robert Burns' Tam O'Shanter, Cowper's John Gilpin, Samuel Lover's Rory O'More, Thackeray's Sorrows of Werther and Gray's On the Death of a Favourite Cat; but contains also Bret Harte's Heathen Chinese and Kipling's Fuzzy Wuzzy; while The Yarn of the Nancy Bull, The One-Hoss Shay, Miss Flora McFumsey and The Smack in School all find a place. We were also charmed to come across several of Lewis Carroll's inimitable verses. The book is handsomely bound in dark green and gold. Dana Estes and Company, Boston.

**Rollicking Rhymes for Youngsters,** by Amos R. Wells, will certainly bring a good deal of pleasure to any child into whose hands it may happen to come on Christmas morning; and the pleasure it gives will be a lasting one, as the rhymes are the kind that will bear re-reading. The pictures in red, white and black, by the well known illustrator C. J. Bridgman, are most attractive; also the good, clear type and a pretty linen cover. The following recipe for a Day may not be so "rollicking" as most of the verses but it is worth memorizing.

Take a little dash of water cold,  
And a little leaven of prayer,  
And a little bit of morning gold  
Dissolved in the morning air.

Add to your meal some merriment  
And a thought for kith and kin,  
And then as your prime ingredient  
A plenty of work thrown in.

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