from Egypt and their departure for settlement in Canaan—and it will doubtless do much to bring men to see the reasonableness and naturalness of the opening book of the Pentateuch in the face of recent theories set forth regarding it. Many other excellent articles and sermons are to be found in this number.

(1) The Sunday at Home, (2) The Leisure Hour, (3) The Roy's Own Paper, (4) The Girl's Own Paper, (5) Sunday Hours. for Boys and Girls. The Religious Tract Society, 56 Paternoster Row, E.C.

The Sunday at Home for January, besides some good stories, has a description of the Koran, by Dr. William Wright, after reading which one has not a very high opinion of the great Eastern book. It has also an interesting sketch of Indian life, called "Native Trackers," by Dr. Charles Merk, and much more literature that is good. The Leisure Hour continues its "Future Kings," and commences some illustrated papers on the United States Navy, which promise to be entertaining. A description of Wolverhampton will take many English people back to their old home. The Science and Discovery Department has some useful diagrams and notes. We are particularly pleased this month with the new monthly for boys and girls, The Sunday Hours. Its articles and stories are of the best for young people.

In the Tiger Jungle. By Rev. Jacob Chamberlain, D.D. New York, Chicago, Toronto: Fleming H. Revell Co.

It is evident that the chief object that the author of this book has in view is the presentation of missionary work in a form attractive to young people. In this he has succeeded. The title of the book alone would attract a boy, but he would not be likely after reading a few pages to toss it aside with "Pshaw, it's only a missionary book after all," for the adventures related are interesting and sometimes thrilling. Such things as "Encounter with a Ten-foot Serpent," "An Audience of Monkeys," "Winding up a Horse," are things that anyone, from sheer curiosity, would like to read; but the book, once read, gives a good wholesome impression in favor of missionary work. Of course, the field is a romantic one. India is prolific in supplying chances for adventure. But there is everything in the way an adventure is told, and Dr. Chamberlain understands this perfectly and acts accordingly.

Missionaries in the Witness Box. London: The Church Missionary Society.

This little book is the embodiment of a happy idea. It is the setting forth of personal testimonies from the foreign field, but it is done in the form of question and answer, such as is in vogue in halls of justice when evidence is to be obtained. Missionaries from all over the world are examined as if in a witness box, and are made to tell their own story as to the efficacy of their work, as to what has really been accomplished, and as to what future results are likely to be. The book is satisfactory in every way, and sets forth many statistics which in the usual manner of presentation might never be read. People who make light of missionary work and its results should in all fairness read carefully a book of this description.

(1) The Expositor, (2) The Clergyman's Magazine. London: Hodder & Stoughton.

(1) The January number of the Expositor is replete with fine critical and religious articles. Among them Prof. Fairbairn continues his suggestive thoughts on "Christ's Attitude to His Own Death"; Professor Cheyne gives some good notes on "Observe Passages of the Prophets"

good notes on "Obscure Passages of the Prophets."

(2) The Clergyman's Magazine for January begins some chapters on the Epistle to the Colossians, by Principal Moule, the present subject being "Christ is All." It has an article on "Johannes Tauler, the Mediæval Mystic," and on the Papal Encyclical, "De Unitate 1896," besides several valuable hints for lecturing and preaching.

A Little Lass and Lad. By Sarah Tytler, S.P.C.K., London. Toronto: Rowsell & Hutchison.

We have received from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge a number of books suitable for Sundayschool libraries, gifts and presents. These are attractive books, especially those for small children, such as "Friendly Joey and other Stories," "Nursery Rhymes and Fables," "The Fortunes of the Fairies," etc. "The Mission Heroes" series for a penny each is a feature of the S.P.C.K. publications. Here, for instance, just published, is an interesting account of the late Bishop Smythies and his work in Africa, for a penny, probably five cents here. We are glad to see that the S.P.C.K. continues with its wonted vigor its good and useful work.

The Missionary Keview of the World. New York and Toronto: Funk & Wagnalls. \$2.50 a year.

The January number has an article on the "Genesis of the Oxford Movement," which is somewhat suggestive. The Rev. Egerton R. Young, of Toronto, Canada, and a missionary of long experience among the North American Indians, supplies through The Northfield Echo an article on "The Gospel Among the Red Men." "Trying Times in Madagascar" is of importance because written by one who lived in their midst. This magazine is, as usual, particularly valuable for the amount of information from all parts of the world to be found throughout its pages.

The Youth's Companion. Boston, Mass.: 205 Columbus avenue.

The Youth's Companion Calendar for 1897 is a gem. Four beautiful girls represent the four seasons. The figures are lithographed in twelve colors from original paintings. The whole calendar consists of four folding pages, and is 10½ by 24 inches. It is by far the best piece of color work the Companion has ever offered, and one of the best ever produced in this country. It is given free to all new subscribers who send \$1.75 to the Companion for the year 1897. An illustrated prospectus will also be sent free to those who send their address.

Violet Vereker's Vanity. By Annie F. Armstrong. London: Blackie & Son; Toronto: The Copp, Clark Co.

This is one of Miss Armstrong's charming books for girls. It is not always an easy matter to get suitable books for girls. Boys' books abound. A wider field seems to present itself for them. But a book like "Violet Vereker's Vanity," together with many others of the same kind by the same author, is just the book for a girl. It is well printed and handsomely illustrated.

## TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

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