BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

SOME NEW BOOKS.

LEMING H. REVELL CO. report the following new books on the market: "The Relics of Primeval Life" (\$1.50), by Sir William Dawson, which is a description of life in the dawn of geological time; "Fridtjof Nansen," his life and explorations (illustrated, 502.), by J. Arthur Bain; "How to Obtain Fulness of Power" (750.), by R. A. Torrey; "Sunday Mornings in Battell Chapel" (\$1.25), by Wm. H. Sallmon; "Heroes and Heroines of the Scottish Covenanters" (500.), by Rev. J. Meldrum Dryerre, F.R. G.S.; and "The Romance of a Jesuit Mission" (\$1.25), a historical novel by M. Bourchier Sanford.

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Mr. Thomson, president of the Copp, Clark Co., who has just returned from England, announces that his company have arranged for the sole Canadian market for the colonial editions of Longmans, Green & Co.

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Messrs. Houghton, Mifflin & Co. have recently published, in their well-known Riverside Literature Series, the following books, which well sustain the high standard set by previous numbers of the series.

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Another number will be "Old Greek Folk Stories, Told Anew," by Josephine Preston Peabody. This book is designed to serve as a complement to Hawthorne's "Wonder-Book" and "Tanglewood Tales," and will contain most of the better known Greek classic myths and stories which are not mentioned by Hawthorne in his two masterpieces. The book is equipped with an index referring to the stories in this number and in the "Wonder-Book" and "Tangles

wood Tales." This index, therefore, will serve as a tolerably full clue to the best known characters in Greek mythology.

The third number will be made up of a selection from the poems of Robert Browning. It will be carefully edited for school use.

THE MUNICIPAL QUESTION.

The Macmillan Company announces still another valuable handbook under the title "An Outline for the Study of City Government," by Delos H. Wilcox, Ph.D., of Columbia College. The author holds that the city problem is the key to the immediate future of social progress in this country, and he offers for the first time a systematic outline for the study of the whole municipal field, indicating the chief problems in order with facts and illustrations sufficient as a basis for intelligent interest and a guide to the sources of further information. He discusses in turn problems of function, of control and of organization, and his book will be very useful, not only to students in colleges and secondary schools, but even more to any class of citizens who are interested in the betterment of municipal conditions through the development of intelligence and the sense of civic responsibility.

AN HISTORICAL WORK.

William Briggs announces the publication this month of "Louisbourg in 1745." This is the letter of a French inhabitant of Louisbourg, Cape Breton, written during the siege of Louisbourg, in 17.15, by New England militia troops-one of the most striking military exploits in history. The letter contains a vivid narrative of events from the French standpoint. It was first printed in 1745 and is now extremely rare, only three or four copies being known to exist. Parkman made great use of it, having had access to a manuscript copy of the exemplar of the original edition in the Bibliotheque Nationale at Paris. The small volume bears the curious imprint, "Quebec, published by William the Sincere, at the sign of Truth." The book was probably, however, printed in France, for no books were printed in Canada prior to the British The reprint is now edited and conquest. translated into English by George M. Wrong, M. A., professor of history in the University of Toronto. It contains seventyfive pages, large octavo, on heavy card paper, rough finish. Only four hundred copies are offered for sale. The price (paper cover) is seventy-five cents.

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