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The sale of poets has greatly increased since the feature of special bindings has been introduced to the Canadian market, and to-day the wide-awake bookseller may cater to the varied tastes of his customers, and at the same time meet the possibilities of his pocket book, by securing any of the popular poets in imitation morocco, embossed calf, Algerian seal, paste grain, half-calf, extra seal, Levant morocco, all limp or padded, and artistically designed. These lines are a specialty with the W. J. Gage Co. (Ltd.).

Justin Winsor, the scholarly librarian of Harvard University, is the author of a work (just issued by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston) which is sure to receive careful attention from the students of American history generally, and should especially be familiar to all who seek to know the history of the St. Lawrence and lake region, or of any part of that region. Its title is: "Cartier to Frontenac. Geographical Discovery in the Interior of North America in its Historical Relations, 1534-1700. With full cartographical illustrations from contemporary sources."

Robert Elsmere's author, Mrs. Humphrey Ward, has a new novel ready. The Canadian edition of this book, "Marcella," will be controlled by the Toronto News Co., and will be in two volumes at \$1 each. Among the other books to be issued by them during March is "Katharine Lauderdale," by F. Marion Crawford; "Handsome Humes," by Wm. Black, paper, 75c.; "Lisbeth," by Leslie Keith, author of "A Hurricane in Petticoats"; "Mr. Wayt's Wife's Sister," by Marion Harland; "Lottie's Wooing," by Darley Dale, author of "Village Blacksmith," and "Countess Radna," by W. E. Norris. The News Company is excelling itself just now with its new publications.

American book amateurs will be interested to know that the list of private libraries in America, now being compiled by G. Hedeler, of Leipzig, already includes the stately number of 500 considerable libraries. Those happy possessors of libraries with whom Mr. Hedeler has been unable to communicate, are requested to furnish him with a few details as to the extent of their treasures and the special direction to which they devote themselves. It is obviously to the interest of bibliographical science that a work of this kind should be as complete as possible, so that it is advisable not to delay sending in the information, else the editor may, to his regret, be compelled to go to press without it.

The Methodist Book & Publishing House are bringing out a Canadian copyright edition of "The Stickit Minister," a book which has made the name of S. R. Crockett

familiar throughout the English speaking world. Of him the London Literary World remarks: "Mr. Crockett's is a new name in literature, but it has come to stay. He has the making of a great writer in him—fire, pathos, humor, wide sympathies, keen insight into character, a touch at once light and masterly, and a style nervous and flexible. It is, doubtless, too early to make a comparison between the two writers, but so far Crockett indicates a wider range than Barrie, and in the delineation of boy character he is facile princeps. Barrie has no pair like 'Jimmy and Jaikie,' while 'Cleg Kelly,' in the present writer's memory and esteem, at least, has only one possible rival in English literature—the inimitable 'Whaup' of Wm. Black." The book will be in the hands of the booksellers in a very few weeks, and should find rapid sale.

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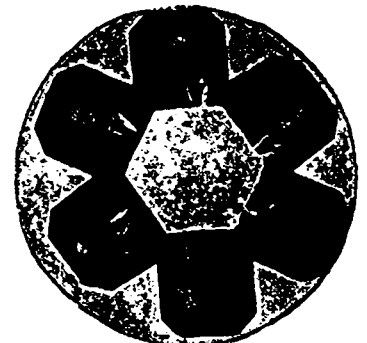
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