

that lack of space hinders him giving extracts from the richly stored volume before him, but trust that those who love poetry and Canada will find such for themselves.

Last of all Mr. Chapman sends a winter number of the "Book-Lover," a magazine of book-lore, published in San Francisco, a 100 page quarto in illuminated paper cover, price twenty-five cents. Its topics, too numerous to mention, begin with Edward Fitzgerald and ends with Fienkiewicz's Admirers, and are, many of them, by well known literary men and women. But the very first item astonishes me. Here it is: "Author Wanted. Who is the author of these lines that I cannot place, though they were like very old friends wher I met them recently in Kate Field's Memories?

"Sleep after toil, port after stormy seas,

Ease after war, death after life, doth greatly please."

An answer will be gratefully received, if addressed to J. D. Clark, 1220 Sutter St., San Francisco, Cal."

Surely the "Book-Lover" should answer this, or perish.

"Is not short payne well borne that brings long ease,

And layes the soule to sleep in quiet grave?

Sleep after toyle, port after stormie seas,

Ease after warre, death after life, does greatly please."

Edmond Spenser, The Fairie Queene. Canto IX, stanza 40.

(Held over from last month.)

A most interesting book is Mr. James Croil's "Historical Report of the Administration of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, 1856-1900." It is large 8vo. pamphlet of 43 pages. This most useful document, the work of an elder of the Church, still vigorous in mind and body in spite of his eighty years, who has probably done more than any other in that Church's service, not only fulfils the purpose of its title, but adds biographical sketches of many ministers and elders, a brief history of union movements, a religious census of the Dominion, and other matters of importance. It also is illustrated with no fewer than 26 portraits, the first being a full page one of the late Dr. Cook of Quebec. Facing page 10 are those of Drs. Mathieson, Machar,