BOOKS AND NOTIONS.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

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FANCHON THE CRICKET, by Geo. Sand. Philadelphia; T. B. Peterson & Bros. This is the work from which the play of the same name was dramatized.

SIX CENTURIES OF WORK ANL WAGES, by J. E. Thorold Rogers. New York . The Humboldt Publishing Company. This work is an abridgment of Prof. Rogers' well-known and authoritative work of the same name. It is edited by Rev. W. T. D. Bliss.

CANADA AND THE CANADIAN QUESTION (Toronto : Williamson & Co. and Hunter, Rose & Co.), by Prof. Goldwin Smith, is a political and historical work. The writer aims to show that our present political development is not along the lines determined by nature. It is written in his usual incomparable style.

THE FOUR KINGS OF CANADA IS a reprint by J. E. Garratt & Co., London, of an old work published first in 1710. The "four kings" are four Indian chiefs which had lately been brought from North America. It is a very interesting old work, the character of its 18th century letters and capitalization being preserved in this reprint.

TEN YEARS IN EQUATORIA, by Major Casati, London and New York : Frederick Warne & Co.; is the latest book on the African question. It is a handsome publication in two 400-page volumes. Casati was the companion of Emin Pasha, and his work bears more upon the controversy between the friends of that explorer and those of Stanley than it does on that between the rear column and the advance guard.

The recent commotion created in the theological world by the inaugural address of a well-known professor in an old established seminary is the cause for the issue of How JOSH WORKED UP A CONCEPT, which in a humorous style sets forth the various ways a concept or idea may be interpreted. The diction, being of the New England type, strongly reminds one of the quaint expressions found in Will Carleton's poems. Fleming H. Revell Company, New York and Chicago.

A TRIP TO ENGLAND, by Goldwin Smith. Toronto: Williamson & Co. This is just the sort of work for summerreaders. Historic associations of venerable castles, abbeys, cathedrals, and colleges are called up from a mind well stored with such lore, and pictures are put before the mind's eye of the reader in an easy, graceful style that admirably suits the matter. Williamson & Co. have got out a beautiful edition of the work, and expect to prepare one shortly for the United States.

BOOK NOTES.

Miss Du., can's American Girl in London is one of the best selling books of the season.

Caspar's Practical Catalogue of Law Books is a manual that ought to be of service to the trade in ordering books required by local practitioners. It is issued from C. N. Caspar's Book Emporium, Milwaukee, Wis.

A History of Separate School Legislation, by J. George Hodgins, M.A., LL.D., will be published by the Conp, Clark Co. (Ltd.) should they receive sufficient encouragement in the form of advance orders from the trade.

A book lately published by Williamson & Co., Toronto, on The Breeding of Horses, by Quetton St. George, is one that ought to command wide sale. It is a small work, but the value of its matter ought to make it a selling one.

The copyright of Dr. Norman McLeod's "Reminiscences of a Highland Parish" expired recently, and cheap editions are now being offered by the Upper Canada Tract Society. Hitherto these books have retailed at \$1 upwards, but the cheap reprints can be sold 20c, retail. These books will no doubt find a good sale, as they are first-class works.

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