

NEW BOOKS.

OUTLINES OF ÆSTHETICS. By Hermann Lotze. Translated and edited by George T. Ladd, Professor of Philosophy in Yale College. (Ginn & Co., Publishers, Boston). By mail, \$1.

The Outlines of Æsthetics treats of the theory of the Beautiful and of Phantasy, and of the Realization and different Species of the Beautiful. Then follow brief chapters on Music, Architecture, Plastic Art, Painting and Poetry. *Mind*, (London, England), says of it: No words are needed to commend such an enterprise, now that Lotze's importance as a thinker is so well understood. The translation is careful and painstaking.

THE MAKING OF PICTURES.—(By Mrs. Sarah W. Whitman. Boston and Chicago: The Interstate Publishing Co. Price, 60 cents.

The Making of Pictures is the title of twelve short talks upon art with young people, by Mrs. Sarah W. Whitman. They deal with the principles which underlie the various branches and processes of art—oil and water-color painting, etching, engraving, photography and the reproductive processes. This instruction is prefaced by a chapter upon "The Beginnings of Art Training," and supplemented by one upon "Exhibitions and Sales." Although the volume is not a large one, it contains more sound, practical sense regarding art than most of the elaborate and costly works that have been written upon the same subject. Its author is an artist and understands fully what she is writing about. She has a direct, straightforward style, opinions based on study and experience, and competent reasons for them. She insists that in art, as well as in morals or in mathematics, there are great laws to go by, and that without a knowledge of these laws one cannot speak of pictures intelligently. To the young reader with a taste for art in any of its forms this book will afford valuable assistance.

THROUGH A MICROSCOPE.—By Samuel Wells, Mary Treat and Frederick LeRoy Sargent, Chicago and Boston: The Interstate Publishing Company. 16mo, cloth. Price, 60 cents.

This attractive little handbook begins at the beginning, and tells the young student of the microscope exactly how to proceed in his investigations, what to do, and how to do it, and the reasons therefor. There is no study so fascinating, or so instructive withal, as that of natural history with the aid of the microscope. It opens a new world to the pupil, and reveals to him wonders and beauties which are unseen and unknown to the natural eye. Mary Treat has long been known as an interesting writer on natural history. She has had too great experience with the microscope, and so has Mr. Wells, who gives suggestions as to outfits, preparation of objects, and methods of

experiment. The book is well illustrated.

THE CENTURY MAGAZINE.—The Century Co., N.Y.

Few numbers of The Century have appealed to so wide an audience with topics of such general interest as the October issue. It is important for what it promises no less than by what it gives. An editorial in "Topics of the Time" announces that in the November number will be given the first chapters of "The Authorized Life of Lincoln," by John G. Nicolay and John Hay, who were the President's private secretaries. As Lincoln is the greatest figure in American history, so are his chosen biographers by opportunity, no less than literary faculty, best qualified to make the story of his life a gain to American literature. Readers who have not the personal interest of the veterans of the war in the battle series, will find in the history of Lincoln, as it appears serially, and carefully illustrated, the blending of literary charm, the romance of genius, and the interest of momentous events; while soldier-readers, as the war series becomes less and less prominent as a feature of the magazine, will see in the biography of the civic chieftain a larger view of the leading personalities and motives of the struggle.

To the October number Clarence King contributes a striking paper on "The Biographers of Lincoln," illustrated with full-page portraits of Nicolay and Hay. Capt. J. W. Collins, in "Open Letters" discusses "The Outlook of the Fisheries" with references to Canadian action and home legislation.

Matthew Arnold's paper on "Common Schools Abroad" in a forcible if indirect way gets at the root of the American as well as English faults in common-school education. Charles de Kay recounts the efforts of "The Ursulines of Quebec" to civilize and Christianize the Indians.

General W. S. Rosencranz's description of his victory at "Corinth" is the chief illustrated war article; other papers of a distinct personal interest are reminiscences of Stonewall Jackson, by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Margaret J. Preston, and "Stonewall Jackson's Last Battle," by his aide-de-camp, Captain James Power Smith, who helped the mortally wounded general from the field at Chancellorsville.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY.—Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston.

The October "Atlantic" brings Henry James' notable serial, "The Princess Casamassima," to an exciting close. It is followed by a timely paper on the late King Ludwig, of Bavaria, under the title of "A Mad Monarch," by E. P. Evans. Mr. Edward F. Hayward discourses of John Wilson, as "A Literary Athlete," while Elizabeth Robins Pennell furnishes a curious study of "The Witches of Venice." Chas. Egbert Craddock and Wm. Henry Bishop continue their powerful narratives; Bradford Torrey and Mary Agnes Tincker contribute respectively a pretty out-door sketch

and an Italian idyl, while more solid articles are Professor N. S. Shaler's "Race Prejudices," and Edward Hungerford's "The Rise of Arabian Learning," the latter being a record of the brief civilization of the Mohammedans. The other departments are well filled.

BIRTHS.

RUTHERFORD—At Stellarton, N.S., Mrs. John George Rutherford, of a son.

MARRIED.

LOGAN-HENLEY—At Westville, N.S., by Rev. D. C. Moore, on Sept. 27th, James Logan and Francis Henley, both of Spry Harbour, N.S.

DIED.

TUPPER—Entered into rest, Sept. 15th, at Amherst, N.S., Nathan Tupper, M.D., aged 63, brother of Sir Charles Tupper.

MORRISON—Entered into rest, Sept. 22nd, at Amherst, N.S., Alma Louise Morrison, aged 7 years.

HAY—Entered into the rest of Paradise, on Friday, Sep. 10th, Theresa Jane Hay, aged 61, of Amherst, N.S.

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