

40,000 copies of Lord Beaconsfield's "Endymion" were sold in four days, by Harper & Brothers, in their *Franklin Square Library Editions*.

Grimms' "Life of Goethe," the "Correspondence of Goethe's Mother," the new edition of Prof. Blacker's translation of *Faust* and two or three other recent publications relating to Goethe, present unusual facilities for and inducements to the study of the great German poet and his works.

A new novel is called "A Lady's Four Wishes." An old bachelor says that he has not read the book, but says that he knows what her wishes are: First, a new bonnet; second, a new bonnet; third, a new bonnet; and fourth, a new bonnet.

Harvard is two hundred and forty-two years old and has had forty-two presidents. The college has graduated 14,062 students, of whom 2,344 were ordained as pastors of churches.

Again the world mourns the loss of one of its heroes, Thomas Carlyle, the historian, critic, and essayist. Few names can ever hold a more distinguished place in literature than the name of Thomas Carlyle.

A new work has just appeared from the pen of Dr. Cunningham Geikie, well known through his *Life of Christ*. The volume is entitled *Hours with the Bible*. The author's reputation together with the very flattering notices which the volume has received will secure for it a large sale.

Sunlight and Shadow; or, Gleanings from my Life work, by John B. Gough. This is an entertaining volume of about 550 pages. "It contains a good deal of autobiography, humorous reminiscence and racy anecdote."

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MARRIAGE.

MORSE-PARSONS.—At the residence of the bride's father, on the evening of the 23d inst., by the Rev. D. M. Welton, Ph.D., Mr. Edward J. Morse and Miss Jennie, daughter of Henry Parsons, Esq., of Kingston, N. S.

Selections.

Far are the wings of intellect astray,
That strive not, Father! to thy heavenly seat;
They rove, but mount not; and the tempests
beat

Still on their plumes; O source of mental day!
Chase from before my spirit's track the array
Of mists and shadows, raised by earthly care
In troubled hosts that cross the purer air,
And veil the opening of the starry way,
Which brightens on to thee! Oh! guide thou
right

My thought's weak pinion, clear mine inward
sight,

The eternal springs of beauty to discern,
Welling beside thy throne; unseal mine ear,
Nature's true oracles in joy to hear;
Keep my soul wakeful still to listen and to learn.

—Mrs. Hemans.

The following verses are said to have been drawn up by a disciple of Pythagoras, the Greek philosopher, who died 500, B. C. :

Nightly forbear to close thine eyes to rest,
Ere thou hast questioned well thy conscious
breast.

What sacred duty thou hast left undone?
What act committed which thou ought'st to
shun?

And as fair truth, or error, marks the deed,
Let sweet applause, or sharp reproach, succeed.
So shall thy steps, while this great rule is thine,
Undevious tread in virtue's path divine.

To make us know our duty and do it, to make us upright in act and true in thought and word, is the aim of all instruction which deserves the name, the epitome of all purposes for which education exists.
—Froude.

"Time *was*, is past; thou canst not it recall:
Time *is*, thou hast; employ the portion small:
Time *future* is not; and may never be:
Time *present* is the only time for thee."