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THE LITERARY COPYRIGHT QUESTION.

Mr. Robertson Blaine, in the February No. of *Fraser's Magazine*, has written a very intelligent and very sensible article on the Literary Copyright Law, but, from the British point of view, and in the interest of English authors and publishers.

Very proper and very commendable is his desire to "hedge round" and protect by legislative enactments, the exclusive rights and absolute property in copyrights; and equally so is his endeavour to arouse publishers and copyright holders in Britain to a due sense of their interest in the same.

Very reasonably, too, does he declaim, in the absence of an international treaty, on the injustice to authors—English and American—in consequence of which the works of either author are pirated, and reprints are made yielding no return to them; and, we must say, very fairly and temperately, from his point of view, does he regard the position of Canada in this question, and, denouncing her delinquencies and those of the other British Colonies in default, urge the withdrawal of the Act of 1847, which permitted these Colonies to import foreign reprints of British copyrights. So far; and from a "Pater-noster Row" view, we frankly and warmly commend all that Mr. Blaine, in the article, has written:—and, in the abstract, though we do not admit that there is, or should be, a view of this question antagonistic to the interest of the copyright holder, yet we must urge that, as far as Canada is concerned, and while no reciprocal treaty exists between Britain and the States, there is and must be another side to the question, which merits more reasonable consideration in England, and which should relieve Canada from the obnoxious charge of "playing into" the hands of the American reprinters.

With the purpose, then, of clearing Canada from the charge of preventing the mother country from securing an international copyright treaty with the United States—advanced by Mr. Blaine—and in the endeavour to dispel some mis-apprehension that obtains in England with regard to the

position and action of Canada in respect of this subject—we submit a few remarks on the case, from *our* point of view. First, then, with regard to the action of the British Government, in 1847, permitting the Colonies to trade in foreign reprints of English copyrights—we hold that this was a natural concession to a class of people, in the main and at the time poor, and thinly scattered, and though owning nearness and allegiance to the British crown, yet being so distant from the source of the literary supplies of the mother country, and having the increased cost of transit, shipping expenses, risks, &c., to bear, were unable to buy the products of English authors at their high prices. But further, with regard to Canada, this concession is all the more reasonable and expedient, when, in addition to the above, the question of the close geographical proximity of the country to the United States—the great producers of these reprints—is borne in mind, and the difficulty the Government had in keeping these reprints out of the country, where the border line was so extended, and, in the main, so little defined. In view of this latter fact, mainly, and on our Government agreeing to levy a duty on the reprints that should enter the country, in the interest of the author, Canada very properly was enabled lawfully to import these reprints.

As to our "short-comings" in laxly levying this impost duty, we are not so chargeable in this respect as are the English publishers themselves in not taking the necessary steps to secure this levy by advising our authorities of their copyright property:—and, referring to this, we turn to the proposition of our Government, (which Mr. Blaine characterizes as "audacious") "that the British Government, while permitting foreign reprints to enter the Dominion, should stretch the concession a little further and allow us to reprint British copyrights *in the country*, on our exacting an excise duty of 12½ per cent for the benefit of the authors"—we would say that, while the United States refuse to assent to an international copyright treaty with England, and while Canada is permitted to trade in the reprints produced by American houses, the permission sought by our Government to reprint ourselves would, clearly,

be much better for the interest of the English author than the present defective and anomalous system. The importance of this proposed arrangement we shewed in our last No. to be more equitable and remunerative to the English author, while, at the same time, it would be more just and satisfactory to ourselves.

Further—were this permission granted us, to employ our own labour in the reprints of English copyrights instead of having to buy the product of American manufacturers, we could, by reason of our being able to reprint more cheaply than the Americans, take advantage of this, and sell to them of such reprints as we undertook to produce, and, hence, still further secure the interest of the English author. However this may be, there is no doubt that, to legislate by enforced enactments, these reprints "out of" the country—while our people have so long drawn from this source, and where, from the close intercourse between Canada and the States, these reprints are to be so easily had—would be a grave error: and to continue to tie our hands from competing in this trade with our neighbours, to the manifest loss of the English author, would be, equally, an error. While saying this, and while desiring justice for ourselves, it is no less the desire of the Government, the people, and the Book-trade of Canada to protect the interest and property of English authors. This should be understood at home; and it should be known that, individually and as a people, we regret the present unsatisfactory state of the question, and that we dislike, as much as the English publishers, that we should be compelled to "play second fiddle" to our neighbours, and have to buy in a market that, in the main, disregards the interests that should be first conserved—the author's rights. Our position, however, is an exceptional and peculiar one; and requires a legislation, on this subject, special and apart from that applicable to other colonies which have not the circumstance of contiguous position to the States to deal with.

To meet our exceptional case, and as a remedy of matters, three things suggest themselves, as being necessary to a satisfactory dealing with the question—these are, 1st. To effect an international copyright treaty between England and the United States; which, if secured, would, of course, end the matter as it affects Canada, and would be a measure which every one in the Dominion would rejoice in. 2ndly. Publish, simultaneously with the original editions for home sale, a popular, inexpensive edition for this continent, from which Canada might draw a plan, we have often thought, English publishers might have long since adopted, and

thus secured some return from the sale of this side: (the plates necessary to produce which, we might say, would be available for the cheaper editions issued by the homes after the sales of the original editions were exhausted). Or 3rdly. Accede to our Government's proposition, and allow us to reprint in Canada on the exaction of a stated royalty on the edition, in the interest of the British author, and thus put us in a position to compete with the American reprinters.

We commend these practical points to our English friends, and conclude by referring to one other matter and a suggestion among the same. Certainly, the first of the above suggestions is the desirable one, and is the true and just one—the effecting a reciprocal treaty between the countries. Mr. Blaine has charged Canada with standing in the way of the English Government's securing this coveted object, by reason of her providing a field to the American reprinters for the sale of their reprints and a monopoly therein, which, he advances, is of such value to them as to influence their Government in refusing to enter into any reciprocal treaty with England. We think Mr. Blaine is wrong in supposing that this matter weighs with them at all; and we are of the opinion that this is but a slight consideration in the matter with our neighbours; and were this market cut off to-morrow from the sale of their reprints, it would not influence them, or hasten, in any way, their agreeing to a treaty. There is a matter, however, that would undoubtedly affect them much more, and be more likely to bring our neighbours to agree to an international arrangement; and we wonder that this has not been urged in discussing this question—and that is, to withdraw all privileges Americans now enjoy in securing a copyright in England for native American works, so long as no treaty can be secured, and while the courtesy is not reciprocated. It seems absurd that an absolute property in American works can be secured in England by the simple manœuvre of writing the last chapter there or in Canada, while the same privilege is denied to the English author in America under any consideration. It is, manifestly, an unfair and one-sided arrangement; and, if this copyright privilege in the interest of American authors were withdrawn, it would sooner bring our neighbours "to book" in the matter, than any arguments advanced for the justice and honesty of securing to an author an interest in his productions. That our neighbours, however, will see that right, equity and policy lies in negotiating an international copyright treaty at once with England, we sincerely trust: and, while it would be simply an act of justice to the authors of both countries, it would,

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A PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR ONTARIO.

It is very much a matter of regret that the
Capital of the Province—notably characterized,
as it is, as the seat of the professional and educa-
tional institutions of the country, as well as the
seat of the Provincial Legislature and the empor-
ium of the commercial interests of Ontario,
should be without so important an institution as
an incorporated PUBLIC LIBRARY belonging to
the Province, or belonging to and *free* to the
people.

Toronto now boasts a much larger resident
professional population than any city in the
Dominion, while its temporary residents of stu-
dents—in Arts, Law, Divinity and Medicine—
are very numerous. Hence, besides the claim
that Toronto has as the prominent and central
capital of the Province, where historians, annal-
ists and antiquarians may naturally find the
records and historic material of the past and
rapidly passing time, Toronto has immediate and
pressing necessity in the requirements of her
large professional and intelligent population, and
of the thousand students that throng her places
of learning, for the establishment of a grand free
Library of Reference, comprehensive of all the
branches of knowledge and study.

Since the removal of the General Government
Library to Ottawa this want has been very much
felt in Toronto, and unfortunately our Provincial
Administration is disinclined, at least at present,
to make any move towards supplying this want.

The various existing Libraries in our midst do
not, by any means, fill this lack. They are
small and special in their character, and being so
scattered over the city are inconvenient for refer-
ence. The best of these, the University of
Toronto library, though more general and impor-
tant in its character than any other we have, is
distant from the thoroughfares of the city, and
is appropriated to its educational and scholastic
uses. The same may be said of the special and
almost private libraries of Trinity College, Knox
College, and the Canadian Institute; while that
of Osgoode Hall, though more liberal in its
scale, is almost entirely devoted to the literature
of the legal profession. The Board of Arts
Library is important, but, again, special in its
class. The Mechanics' Institute library is very
good in its way as a lending library and reading
room, and is deserving of the hearty support of
the public; but, in none of these, have we what
is wanted—a GREAT PUBLIC REFERENCE LIBRARY
—of the character of the Boston or Manchester
Free Libraries—one commensurate with the
wants of the people and fitly representative of
the wealth and intelligence of the city.

In considering how this manifest want may be

supplied, and how the boon of such an institu-
tion as we have indicated may be had for the
people, we may be permitted to hint to the Pre-
mier of our Local Government that an appropri-
ation to the extent, at least, of a sum sufficient
to form the nucleus of such a library might be
made a legitimate and commendable charge on
the revenue of the Province; or, if not admitted
as a direct charge to the Province, then as a
charge against the amount, some \$20,000, due
to the Province by the Dominion Government
as its proportion of the general library assumed
by the Ottawa authorities at Confederation.

We commend the consideration of this to our
local Administration and parliament at its next
session, and we would urge that early action may
be taken in this important matter. Failing,
however, the sources alluded to from whence the
amount necessary to the erection of a suitable
building for, and the establishment of this library
may be obtained, may we be allowed to remind
our "moneyed men" and "merchant princes" of
Toronto of the many noble benefactions of the
great merchants of England and the States which
have taken the shape of princely contributions
towards the formation of public libraries. These
noble gifts to the people are to be met with in
many of the cities of England, and, while being
monuments to the enlightened liberality of their
donors, they are, at the same time, productive of
the greatest benefit to the masses. In fact, this
custom of founding and endowing libraries is so
characteristic of the English people, that the
British Museum itself, though national property,
is but the aggregate of the donations of collectors.
Many of these grand collections, the Cottonian
Library, the Harleian Library, the Sloan Museum,
the Townley and Elgin Marbles, the Arundel
Collections, the Lansdowne Manuscripts, &c.,
&c., have been transferred to the custody of the
nation; but very many are the testamentary gifts
of collectors; and, it would be a curious and
noble chapter in the history of these benefactions,
to have fully narrated the immense sums donated
to the service of the people in the various founda-
tions for this purpose.

Who among us will follow the worthy example
of England's wealthy men, and provide for the
intellectual necessities and recreations of our own
people by founding a library such as we have
indicated as being the pressing necessity of the
hour?

CANADIAN LITERATURE AND ITS ESTIMATE.

The prevalent habit among the people of speak-
ing contemptuously of our native literature is a
bad and senseless one; and equally reprehensible
is the thoughtless indifference of even reading
people to anything that presents itself from the
native press, no matter what the subject. So
marked is this inconsiderate disrelish for and
lack of interest in Canadian publications, outside
the issues of the newspaper press, that we can
hardly point to a single instance of a successful

sale that any native work has had, nor have there been many works published in the country that have more than returned to the publisher the actual outlay on the work. Indeed, even this fortunate result, in the few instances there are, has only been achieved by an active out-door canvass among the patrons and friends of the author—and by this questionable proceeding only, and not by any interested demand for the works, have these books found a remunerative sale. And who will estimate, what statistics would fairly represent the money invested and losses incurred in the various literary ventures that have been made here and there and now and again in the country, and which have found no appreciative response from the people? Is there an author in the Dominion but could tell of the "once high hopes that now he dead," or a publisher, but could give a bitter experience of his would-be generous and patriotic projects in the field of Canadian literature?

The fault cannot all lie at the door of the publishers or the writers; and it surely is not altogether in the character of the literature that this utter disregard for it is to find an excuse. For, considering the comparative immaturity of the Dominion, and the uncongenial surroundings in a young country like ours, repressive of that culture and taste for literature, it is surprising how many names one may count as being "worthy of record" on the roll of our country's "Best Authors," and how many works, on many subjects, that might "fitly shine" in a national literature.

Certainly it is not either in the apathy or lack of taste for reading of the people that this matter of which we complain is to be accounted for. In contradiction of this supposition one has only to turn to the statistics of importation from abroad of the books, magazines, and periodicals of the day to find that this is not the cause. This literature floods the country from every source, and finds access to every little village and back township: but, in this circumstance, a clue may be found to somewhat explain why our own literature is not more encouraged and fostered. The issues of the British and American press, especially the former, are now so popularized and made attractive, and the facilities of our book-houses are now such as to bring within every one's reach the important current works of the most notable writers; and while so much of the best literature of the day is taking the shape of cheap serial publication—it is not perhaps to be wondered at that our people should be such large patronizers of this imported "balm"—though our home literature should, meantime, be left to starve.

Notwithstanding that we find in this fact a circumstance to account, in some measure, for the neglect of our native literature, there is, we fear, a low estimate of that literature in the minds of the people, and a total indifference to and interest in the writers of the country, only to be explained in the theory expressed in the words of the proverb, that "a prophet is of no account in his own country."

To every reflecting mind, this is wrong, and

has a tendency to prevent the writers and thinkers among us, who are generally sensitive to a degree, from giving to the press the results of their labour and thought. It further is objectionable in retarding the development of a literature, which, since we have aspired to a national consolidated power, we should seek to make national and to keep pace with our progress—social, industrial and political.

We trust ere long to find a change in respect to this feeling, and we shall be glad, in calling attention to this matter, if we may incite a more patriotic and generous regard for and interest in our young literature, and a disposition to concede that just need of praise and encouragement to the struggling native writer which may help him one day to adorn the "may be" proud literature of our new Dominion.

THE GOVERNMENT BOOK-SHOP.

"The Journal of Education v. The Canada Bookseller.—Why not, with equal consistency, attack the Militia Department for supplying military coats, trowsers and caps; the stationery office for supplying stationery to the departments; the dockyard for building ships, instead of buying them from 'the trade,' and a host of other ways in which the government provide for the wants which arise in the various branches of the public service? Thus, the public schools are intrusted to the care of the Education Department; and it is bound to see that they are most efficiently provided for, both with teachers and the best and most extensive variety of good sound reading books, and not left to the mercy of hundreds of interested parties whose only motive, except in a few instances, is 'gain.'"—*Journal of Education*, April.

The above extract appears in the last No. of the organ of the Education Office, in noticing the appearance of the first No. of "The Canada Bookseller," and referring to a criticism of ours on the Department's Book Store, in which we took exception to the necessity for an establishment which made use of the public purse but to interfere with the legitimate book trade of the Province, and, without any compensating public benefit, retard the progress and development of an important business in the country. But, before going further, we would ask, Why "left to the mercy of hundreds of interested persons," &c.? Are the booksellers of the country a set of rascally extortioners, cormorants and "Shylocks," a band of unscrupulous mercenary rogues, that the "teachers and the taught" of the public schools should not be left at their mercy in buying grammar, a geography or an arithmetic?

We admit the "gain" as an object in doing business, (though Bookselling is the slowest "gain"-making of all businesses we know of,) but is the "gain," the honourable and legitimate profit of the bookseller, any more greedy or despicable than the gain of any other trader?

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But some years ago about "casual advantages" and the perquisites of this Government Book-selling affair? Is it so that philanthropy, alone, characterizes the one, and greedy gain the other? But if so, how would it be were the tables turned? Come, let us know how would the "gain"-seeking be were the conductors of the Government Book-shop cut off from the monthly "pay list," and made to rely for their "bread and butter" on the profits of their bookselling concern, with no public purse to draw on for rent, salaries, and other expenses of their book-store? Pray, let us have no more taunts of the "gain" motive in the conduct of the book-business of the country from behind departmental pay rolls!

Now, let us see what the Depository officials "are bound to see" to in connection with their duties in the Education Department, as set forth in the extract we have made. In this extract, as well as in a recent letter to a city paper from that "martyr to his error," the Chief Superintendent, in defence of this Government Book-shop, there is an arrogating of quasi duties, an assumption of national authority for the so-called public good, that no one having had any dealings with the Book Depository can suffer; and moreover, is more than any government or legislature would now sanction, were the duties arrogated by these officials "under assent." In fact, apart from public disapproval of the questionable practices indulged in by the Department, and the arrogation of literary censorship and dictatorship in morals and theology by its officials, that the whole institution has not been abolished long ago, with all its "condemned stores" and sectarian rubbish, is simply because the thing was *in existence*, and, like many other decayed institutions, is suffered to continue its lease of life out of respect for its connection with the Educational machinery of the country, and the conventional dislike to apply the "broom of reform" to even long existing evils.

But as to this business the Departmental officials are "bound to see" to—the supply of "the best and most extensive variety of good sound reading books." Will any one at all familiar with the stocks kept by our city booksellers and importers, or that are readily obtainable by any country dealer of the wholesale houses, and who knows what good sound reading books are—will any such hazard the statement that the teachers and superintendents of schools, aye and the professors, examiners, and even the highest educational functionary of the country, cannot get as good and as extensive a variety of "sound reading books" at the stores of our booksellers as they can find at the Government Depository? We apprehend, so far from any such statement being made, that hundreds of these teachers will state the reverse of this, and assert that for variety and comprehensiveness, particularly in the more important field of modern professional and general literature, the stocks of the leading city booksellers are more valuable and interesting than are the stocks of the Depository: while, in the matter of orders entrusted for execution, they are far more likely to get what they want,

and get that as cheaply and with less trouble, at the stores of the legitimate book-dealers than at the Depository's salesroom.

The truth is, this "amateur" bookselling by the officials of the Educational department, in the so-called public interest, is a grave trifling with the important duties entrusted to that department; and this hobby of bookselling, under an illegitimate educational guise, is so absurd in itself, and the concern so absurdly conducted, that it is no wonder that nothing but dissatisfaction is heard of from many who have had transactions with the establishment, and which must so occupy the time of the officials to reply to, that the duties proper to the Department of Education cannot but be indifferently attended to. And, alluding to this departmental correspondence in the way of replies to refractory and dissatisfied purchasers at the Depository, we may say that we have beside us some of these voluminous epistles, and which, as specimens of the art of "badgering" and "whipping-in," as well as evidence of direct interference in, and greedy snatching-up of orders destined to firms in 'the trade,' we may feel it our duty, in another number, to give publicity to.

As to the species of reasoning which figures at the head of our extract, and in reply thereto—we need hardly take space to say that it is quite illogical.

There is no necessity to attack the "Militia," or, since the *Journal* refers to the "Dock-yards" of the country—we ought to say the "War" and "Admiralty" departments for supplying uniforms, &c., &c.—for these articles are bought either by contract or by tender "from the trade," and are only supplied to the servants of the State and employees of the Government. These articles and the departmental stationery stores are *not* supplied to all and sundry like the prize and library books of the Depository. Were the Militia Department to undertake to uproot the business of the clothiers of the country, and supply civilian garments for all members of Associations, Mechanics' Institutes, &c., &c., and to bedeck the youth of the Dominion in pantaloons and pinafores, the case would be similar; but in the departments referred to, where the Government legitimately confine themselves "to providing for the wants which arise in the various branches of the public service," by limiting all supplies to the consumption of officers and employees of departments—no one can have a word to say. And, were the Government Book Depository, if it will play at bookselling, to confine its duty to legitimate operations, and provide simply an Educational Book-bureau, where specimens of school furniture, maps, apparatus and samples of books and libraries for professional and scholastic uses, may be seen, instead of doing the peddling, semi-religious "gift" book business they now do, the country would be saved a large annual outlay, the proper booksellers of the country would be relieved from an injurious monopoly, and ourselves saved an unpleasant task.

BOOK NOTICES.

THE EVERY DAY BOOK OF MODERN LITERATURE.
Compiled and edited by Geo. H. Townsend.
London : F. Warne & Co.

Every lover of English literature will find, in this admirable collection of choice specimens, as well as in a recent manual from the same publishers by the editor of the "Penny Readings in Prose and Verse," entitled "The Public School Speaker and Reader," an every-day fund of pleasure and delight; and to those who have not the inclination or the leisure to read *in extenso*, the works of our modern authors, we could not indicate a better selection than the above, which would more satisfactorily represent the characteristics and attractions of the writers of the last century, or would more captivately allure to further reading.

Indeed, even to the student of our modern literature, such a work as this is a necessity, as furnishing a valuable compend of the treasures of English literature, and, in its short biographical sketches, a useful key to the writers of the language; while to the busy 'sons of toil,' and men of business, in its elegant and varied extracts, selected with much taste, it is a daily feast of the most instructive and refining character.

We vouch for it, that no one, whatever may be his predilections or tastes, will lay down this volume unsatisfied or disappointed with the editor's labours.

MRS. JERNINGHAM'S JOURNAL. London : Macmillan & Co. ; New York : C. Scribner & Co.

In this delightful little volume of graceful and playful verse we have the story, most naturally told, of domestic estrangement, open rebellion and reconciliation—incidents in the young married life of two members of 'London Society.' The one, a wayward, joyous and impetuous girl, and the other a prosaic, sober-minded young business man. Neither seems to understand or make allowance for the other—the lady being a little imprudent, and her husband a trifle dogmatic, and there being a want of confiding love and conjugal intimacy between the parties, their lives naturally branch apart from the start.

The successive stages of this family quarrel and the widening breach in their relations to each other are portrayed, in this little idyl, with great archness, playfulness and sometimes passion. As some of our bachelor friends may come across this short critique, we do not care to say how 'true to the life' some of the incidents here narrated are, as being representative of 'scenes' in the wedded life of many a young couple. To those who would be curious to verify such scenes as are so charmingly depicted in this little work, we would only say 'wed and experiment'! May the *denouement*, however, in their case, be as happy as was that of the Jerninghams.

HANS BREITMANN'S BALLADS. Complete Edition. Toronto : Dominion Publishing Co.

This native reprint is a highly creditable specimen of what may be done in the way of 'turning the tables' on our American neighbours, by reproducing the 'fair spoil' of their copyright literature for our own market. The author, Mr. Leland and his publishers, must take this reprint in good part; and sigh for the times when their countrymen will have the honesty to assent to an international copyright treaty with England and her Colonies. That reprisals will be the result of the present state of the copyright question between the countries it is only natural to expect, and especially where the material seized upon happens to be of the popular and entertaining kind that 'Hans Breitmann' is.

In the beautifully printed volume before us, we have, perhaps, the most curious budget of ballads to be met with in the language—curious, in the originality of its dialect, and curious in its philosophical absurdities. Mr. Leland's poetry is, undoubtedly, a new creation in our literature, and it will be found alike a study for the philologist, and a 'vade mecum' for the humorist. This edition embraces the four series of the Breitmann Ballads, and is, we believe, a close *fac simile* of the original American copy.

THE EARTHLY PARADISE. THE LIFE AND DEATH OF JASON. By William Morris. Boston : Roberts, Brothers.

These volumes of poems, by one who bids fair to be the future Poet Laureate of England, are

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The story of Jason's life and death, in its descriptive scenes and delineation of the play of human passion and action, is unsurpassed in literature.

The same publishers, Messrs. Roberts, promise us a further treat shortly in the reprint of the new volumes of poems by Mr. Rossetti and Mr. Swinburne.

FREE RUSSIA. By W. Hepworth Dixon. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co.

It is impossible to speak too highly of this new work by the author of "New America," and "Her Majesty's Tower." It is one of those books which, in the fullest sense, satisfy and delight the reader—not a mere journal or diary of travel, with the usual trite reflections sandwiched between the itinary or "jottings by the way"; but a cleverly written analysis of society, manners, politics and prospects of a great people. The Muscovite nation is here presented to the reader comprehensively, vividly and graphically; and, we apprehend, that he will not dip far into the work before he finds himself thoroughly fascinated with Mr. Dixon's picturesque sketches, and profitably instructed by the facts and conclusions brought before him. The author is to be congratulated on producing so remarkable a book—exceeding all his former literary efforts—and in laying before the intelligence of the west so much valuable information about the vast and novel country of the Russians, in the east.

SPEECHES ON THE CONSERVATIVE POLICY OF THE LAST 30 YEARS. By the Hon. B. Disraeli, M.P. London: J. C. Hotten.

This is the third of Mr. Hotten's popular series of the speeches of English statesmen;—those of Mr. Bright and Mr. Gladstone having

preceded the present volume. It will be sufficient to say of the series that they are prepared under special supervision; and of the speeches, that they are the able expositions of the "sound constitutional measures" that have engaged the attention of England's great political thinkers.

Messrs. T. & T. Clark's Publications.

There is no firm of clergymen more indebted to than this eminent and long established Edinburgh house. The series of the Foreign Theological Library, published by this firm, is a monument to their honour, while it is a mine of wealth to the ministry. Critically speaking, these translations from the German theologians and commentators embody the highest Biblical scholarship, the most advanced critical exegesis, and the most suggestive and valuable thought to be found in any series of books designed for the help of the clergy. We have much pleasure in noting the appearance of the new volumes, just to hand. Keil's "Introduction to the Old Testament," 2 vols. Bleek's Introduction to the New, 2 vols. "Hengstenberg on Ezekiel," and Stier's "Words of the Apostles." We have also from the same firm vols. 13 and 14 of the Anti-Nicene Christian Library, and Dr. Gloag's "Critical and Exegetical Commentary on the Acts," 2 vols. Of new editions, Dr. Fairbairn's "Typology of Scripture," Winer's "Grammar of the New Testament Diction," and Ullman's "Sinlessness of Jesus" have appeared. Of announcements of this firm, we are glad to have to chronicle the preparation for press of a translation of Dr. Meyer's very valuable and critical Commentary on the New Testament, which, we doubt not, will be in large demand.

Messrs. Macmillan & Co.'s Publications.

We are pleased to see the activity of this important house, and to have to chronicle the appearance of many valuable works recently issued from their press. The high character and importance of their publications, we may observe, reveal in the "Executive" of the house, rare discriminative talent and sound judgment; and also give evidence of a faculty for attracting to the house such a constituency of talent that must "tell" on the fortunes of the firm, while it commands the attention of the "book-hunter" to the lists-current of their publications.

We have but space to note the titles of such of their recent books as have come under our notice, among which are the second edition of Mr. Gladstone's "Juventus Mundi"; Lady Barker's "Station Life in New Zealand"; Prof. Maurice's

"Lectures on Social Morality"; Rev. Canon Smith's Bampton Lectures on "Prophecy, a Preparation for Christ"; new editions of Rev. Thos. Binney's "King's Weigh House Chapel Sermons," and Dr. Temple's "Rugby School Sermons": the new Hulsean Lectures "On some of the characteristics of Belief, Scientific and Religious"; and the new volume of the Sunday Library "Alfred the Great," by Thos. Hughes, M. P. Of their announcements we have to chronicle a Text Book on Formal Logic, by Dr. McCosh, of Princeton, entitled "The Laws of Discursive Thought"; "In Exitu Israel," by Mr. S. Baring Gould; and a collection of the "Speeches of Richard Cobden," edited by the Hon. Mr. Bright and Prof. Rogers.

Low's Copyright Series of American Authors.

SOCIETY AND SOLITUDE. By Ralph Waldo Emerson. HEDGED IN. By Elizabeth Stuart Phelps. London: *Sampson Low, Son & Marston.*

These two new volumes of Low's copyright reprints have just reached us. We notice them together, as they belong to one series; and, though they are widely different in subject matter, yet it is quite a coincidence to note that both are the result of the states indicated in the title of Mr. Emerson's volume:—of the bad results of the one, society, and the good results of the other, solitude. But to speak less enigmatically, "Hedged In" is the story of a victim of the "social evil" in "society," and recites, with great delicacy, the earnest efforts of a "stray waif" towards her rehabilitation; and Mr. Emerson's "chapters" from his cultured mind are the delightful results of his hours of "solitude." Mrs. Phelps, the reader will remember, is the author of "The Gates Ajar," which has had so large a sale.

THE MYSTERY OF EDWIN DROOD. By Charles Dickens. Part 1, 2, and 3. London: *Chapman & Hall.*

LOTHAIR. By the Right Hon. B. Disraeli, M.P. New York: *D. Appleton & Co.*

THE WOMAN OF BUSINESS. By Marmion Savage. New York: *D. Appleton & Co.*

ANNALS OF AN EVENTFUL LIFE. By G. W. Dasent, D.C.L. London: *Hurst & Blackett.*

BREFFIE LANGTON, and A RACE FOR A WIFE. By Hawley Smart. New York: *D. Appleton & Co.*

RED AS A ROSE IS SHE. By the Author of "Cometh up as a Flower." New York: *D. Appleton & Co.*

A BRAVE LADY, and THE UNKIND WORD. By the author of "John Halifax, Gent." New York: *Harper Brothers.*

NO APPEAL. A Novel. London: *Longmans.*

GEO. CANTERBURY'S WILL. By Mrs. Henry Wood. Philadelphia: *Peterson Bros.*

THE CAGED LION. By Charlotte M. Yonge. New York: *D. Appleton & Co.*

THE RULE OF THE MONK. By General Garibaldi. New York: *Harper Brothers.*

SO RUNS THE WORLD AWAY. By Mrs. Steele. New York: *Harper Brothers.*

PUCK. A new Novel. By Ouida. Philadelphia: *Lippincott & Co.*

DEBENHAM'S VOW. By Amelia B. Edwards. New York: *Harper Brothers.*

THE HOHLENSTEINS: from the German of F. Spielhagen. New York: *Leypoldt & Holt.*

PUT YOURSELF IN HIS PLACE. By Charles Reade. New York: *Sheldon & Co., and Harper Brothers.*

THE VICAR OF BULLHAMPTON. By Anthony Trollope. Part 2. Philadelphia: *Lippincott & Co.*

MAUPRAT: from the French of Mme. Geo. Sand. Boston: *Roberts Brothers.*

We have to thank the publishers for the above recent issues of their presses; but we must pray to be allowed to notice them generally, as our space is too limited for any detailed reviews; and, as we do not claim to find leisure in these busy, practical days (if we ever had the inclination) for their perusal, we are unable to attempt any estimate of each.

It is the cry, in referring to the fertility of modern 'novel literature,' and the preponderating of works of fiction over every other class of literature,—Where is this to end, and what will become of the more important and serious literature of the age, if it is to be so choked off by this prolific vegetation? Verily 'the rising brood' of novelists is an awful fact—the progeny were never more numerous. But, though this is a grave question, and though there is much that is reprehensible in the influence and unwholesome in the effects of novel reading, still, it must be admitted, that there is much in the novel writing of the day of sterling excellence, and of instructive entertainment. Much, too, of vigorous writing and inventive talent, with much to educate the mind in the portrayal of character, in the delineation of scenes and events, and in the observations and reflections of mature experience. There is much, also, to delight the reader in the many rare descriptive passages, touches of humour, &c., one meets with in the modern novel, which leave a happy influence on the mind long after the work may be thrown aside.

In the above 'bill of fare,' from among the best cuisines of the day, we may safely say that there is much to relish, to delight, and to enjoy. We introduce Mr. Dickens, Mr. Disraeli, *et al.*, to the reader, and leave him to choose the dishes he may prefer.

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LITERARY NOTES.

THE SPEAKER'S COMMENTARY ON THE BIBLE.—This long looked for and important work is about to take practical shape in the appearance of the first two volumes, on the Pentateuch, which are promised in the fall. The work was designed by the Speaker of the English House of Commons (the Hon. J. Evelyn Denison) and the plan was settled by a committee of bishops and other divines, Lord Lyttleton, Mr. Walpole, &c. The editor of this comprehensive work is the Rev. Canon Cook; and the Commentary will contain the authorized version of the Scriptures unaltered, but with corrections and amended readings in the form of notes: while the comments will be mainly explanatory, stating concisely the result of investigations by scholars of every country during the last half-century. The preparation of the Commentary has been by the following hands:—*Genesis* by the Bishop of Ely (Dr. Harold Browne); 19 chapters of *Exodus*, *Job*, the *Epistles of St. Peter* and *Jude* by Canon Cooke; the rest of *Exodus* and *Leviticus* by the Rev. Samuel Clark; *Numbers*, *Deuteronomy*, and *Joshua* by the Rev. T. E. Espin; *Judges*, *Ruth*, and *Samuel* by the Bishop of Bath and Wells (Lord Arthur Hervey), *Kings*, *Chronicles*, *Ezra*, and *Nehemiah* by Prof. Rawlinson; the *Psalms* by the Dean of Wells; *Proverbs* by the Rev. E. N. Plumptre; *Ecclesiastes* by the Rev. W. T. Bullock; the *Song of Solomon* by the Rev. T. L. Kingsbury; *Isaiah* by Dr. Kay; *Jeremiah* by Canon Payne Smith; *Daniel* by Archdeacon Rose; *Ezekiel* by Dr. Currie; the Minor Prophets by the Bishop of St. Davids (Dr. Connop Thirlwall), Prebendary Huxtable, Prof. Gandell, and the Revs. F. Meyrick and W. Drake; *Matthew* and *Mark* by the Archbishop of York (Dr. Thomson) and Dean Mansel; *Luke* by Archdeacon Jones; *John* by Canon Westcott; the *Acts* by the Bishop of Chester (Dr. Jackson); *Romans* by Dr. Gifford; *Corinthians* by Prof. Evans and the Rev. J. Waite; *Galatians* by Dean Hewson; *Philippians* by Dean Jeremie; *Ephesians*, *Colossians*, *Thessalonians*, and *Philemon* by Prof. Lightfoot, Canon Westcott, and Dr. Benson; the Pastoral Epistles by the Bishop of London (Dr. Jackson); *Hebrews* by Canon Kay; the *Epistle of St. John* by the Bishop of Derry (Dr. Alexander); *St. James* by Dr. Scott; and the *Revelation* by Archdeacon Lee.

Messrs. Warne & Co., London, just issue a work which will delight the youthful heart, and which has been in progress for the last four years, entitled *The Modern Playmate, a book of games, sports, and diversions for boys of all sizes*. Compiled and edited by the Rev. T. G. Wood.

MR. DISRAELI'S NEW NOVEL.—After a lapse of over 20 years Mr. Disraeli, to the surprise of every one, appears again as a novelist. The announcement of "Lothair," his new novel, has caused a great sensation in England, where it was thought that the distinguished statesman had quite abandoned the pleasant fields of romance for the rugged paths of politics. No doubt, as this new work is said to be a political novel, we will have in it many disquisitions on subjects that have engrossed the author's attention in his political career, and, no doubt, many hits at the intrigues and strifes of those of his contemporaries who have sought political eminence and honors. Certainly, from Mr. Disraeli's masterly talents, and the evidence in 'Vivian Grey,' 'Tancred,' and other former works, of his high abilities as a writer of fiction, we may expect a rare treat. Of the contents we can only, as yet, gather that Lothair, the hero, is a young English nobleman of the highest rank, who, left an orphan at an early age, is intrusted to the care of two guardians, one a Scottish clerk of the Presbyterian faith, and the other a Cardinal of the Catholic Church. The plot turns, in part, on the struggle between these opposing forces, and embraces, besides, Fenianism and various other piquant and interesting episodes.

The Catholic Publication Society of New York have reprinted Dr. Newman's recent and thoughtful work, "The aid to a Grammar of Assent," of which the second edition has appeared in England. The work has excited considerable attention from the author's well known ability, and the circumstance of his defection from the Anglican Church to that of Rome, some years ago. Of the book itself the *London Tablet* says: "Two distinct views are being formed as to its philosophical system; the one highly favorable to it, as containing an answer to difficulties never yet satisfactorily met; the other unfavorable, as being opposed to the scholastic system. Without further touching upon this point ourselves until we have matured our review of the work, we may say that we have reason to believe that its arguments will meet the difficulties of some who have abandoned the Faith altogether; and that, whatever may be its effects upon others, it appears to be destined to produce consoling results upon many."

The Messrs. Nelson & Sons of Edinburgh have just reprinted two native American works in their usual chaste and cheap form—the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher's "Familiar Talks on Themes of Christian Experience," and the Rev. Dr. A. A. Hodge's new "Commentary on the Confession of Faith."

SCRAPS.

A very useful volume, containing the substance of a special course of lectures on Elocution, public reading and speaking, considered in reference to the various professions, has just been brought out by the lecturer on elocution in King's College—Prof. C. J. Plumtre.

The memoir of the late Rev. W. C. Burns, missionary to China, by Prof. Islay Burns, D.D., of Glasgow, has passed into a third edition, and Dr. Arnot's Life of the late Dr. James Hamilton has exhausted a second. They are both published by the Messrs. Nisbet & Co., of London.

Mr. Jeaffreson's new and beguiling work, *A Book about the Clergy*, is being received with the greatest favour in England. We are still without a popular reprint on this side. What are the American publishers about?

Mr. Arthur Helps brings us once more into the company of *Friends in Council*, in his new work *Casimir Maremma*. The dialogues and disquisitions on social subjects, in this new work of the author of *Realms*, are in the essayist's best style.

We learn from *The Athenæum* that it is now definitely announced by the German papers that *Janus* is not the work of Dr. Döllinger, but of Prof. Hüber, who has been long known in Munich as a strong opponent of Papal claims.

An illustrated presentation edition of *The Gates Ajar* has just been published by the Messrs. Routledge & Co.

A very characteristic work has just been published by Archbishop Newman, whose *Apologia* excited so much attention in the theological world some years ago. It is entitled *An Essay in aid of a Grammar of Assent*.

On some Characteristics of Belief, Scientific and Religious, is the title of the Hulsean Lectures for 1869. Mr. John Venn, M.A., is the lecturer.

The Religious Life of London, by Mr. J. Ewing Ritchie, author of *The Night-side of London*, is announced as in press.

The new works of the American authors, Lowell and Emerson, have been reprinted in England. They consist of Essays. The new work by the author of *The Gates Ajar*, has also appeared there.

A volume of selections from the writings of Thomas Carlyle has been published by Mr. Carlyle's publishers, and, we take it, with his endorsement.

The Life and Letters of Hugh Miller, by Peter Bayne, M.A., is announced for publication in May.

A curious chapter in our social annals has appeared in a History of the Rod in all ages and countries. It bears the title of *Flagellation of the Flagellants*.

Messrs. Macmillan have issued a *Life of the Great Lord Fairfax*, Commander-in-Chief of the Army of the Parliament of England; by Clement Markham. This interesting biography recalls some noble passages in the history of England at a very critical and exciting period.

A very amusing book on epigrams, epitaphs, &c. has appeared, compiled by the Rev. H. P. Dodd, M.A., under the title of *The Epigrammatists*; selection from the Epigrammatic Literature of Ancient, Mediæval and Modern Times, with notes and illustrations, &c.

Prof. Max Müller's *Four Lectures on the Science of Religion*, as delivered in the Royal Institution, London, are announced to appear in the April number of *Fraser's Magazine* and the three following numbers.

Mr. James Dodds, the author of *The Fifty Year Struggle of the Scottish Covenanters*, has just written an interesting *Sketch of the Life of Dr. Chambers*.

We learn that a reprint is announced of the important work of the late Count Montalembert, *The Monks of the West*.

Mr. W. Hepworth Dixon has followed up his late work on *New America* by the publication of a new book on *Free Russia*.

The title of Dickens' new novel is *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*, the first instalment of which has found a sale of nearly 70,000 in England.

A joint work on London, by Gustave Doré and Blanchard Jerrold, is announced for early publication in monthly parts.

Messrs. Alexon & Co. have just issued *Haydn's Universal Index of Biography from the Creation to the Present Time*, uniform with the same publishers' edition of *Haydn's Dictionary of Dates*, of which the thirteenth edition has appeared.

Popular editions, in one volume, of *Peppy's Diary and Correspondence*, also *Evelyn's Diary*, have just been issued in England.

The thirteenth edition of Wood and Bache's *United States Dispensatory*, carefully revised and enlarged, has been issued.

A new work by Mr. Smiles, the author of *Self Help*, is announced.

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An important contribution to the history of theology has appeared from Strahan & Co.'s press, entitled, *Religious Thought in England from the Reformation to the end of last century*. The same publishers announce as ready a new work by Dr. John Young, author of *The Christ of History*, with the title of *The Creator and the Creation; how created*.

A very useful volume of English prose extracts, in the style of *Knight's Half Hours with the best Authors*, has appeared, entitled, *The Every-day Book of Modern Literature*.

The Rev. Dr. McCosh, now of Princeton College, is in press a treatise on Logic, entitled, *The Laws of Discursive Thought*.

A cheap edition of W. E. Channing's works has recently appeared in England.

"George Eliot," the authoress of *Adam Bede*, contributes a new poem of 800 lines to the May number of *Macmillan's Magazine*.

A new work on the Life of Christ is announced from the pen of M. M. Dupanloup, Bishop of Orleans.

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher's *Lecture-Room Talks* has just been published by Messrs. J. B. Ford & Co., New York. The volume consists of a series of *Familiar Discourses on Themes of Christian Experience*.

The literature of *The Women Question* is now so prolific, that we notice in the *London Bookseller's* classification of the books of the month a department under this caption.

There is a rumour current in literary circles to the effect that the Empress Eugenie has instructed M. Octave Feuillet to write her life, from materials which she will place in his hands; also, that Queen Victoria is preparing, with the assistance of Theodore Martin, a companion work to the *Life of the Prince Consort*, presenting auto-biographical matters of the deepest interest to the nation.

A work of considerable scientific interest will be immediately published by Messrs. Macmillan in *The Depths of the Sea*, being an account of investigations conducted on board H. M. ships *Lightning* and *Porcupine*, in the years 1868-9, under the direction of a number of well known scientific men.

Leipsic, it is said, has 200 book stores, and Berlin 170. Germany, certainly, has no Governmental Book Depository to impede the progress of the legitimate trade of the booksellers.

A further volume, the third, of *Essays on Literature and Biography*, by Prof. Max Müller, is in

press. It will bear the title of the former volumes of the series, viz.: *Chips from a German Workshop*.

The third series is announced by the Messrs. Longman of *Essays on Religion and Literature*, by various writers, edited by Archbishop Manning, D.D. The same house announce as ready the *Letters of the Right Hon. Sir George Cornwall Lewis, Bart.*; also, *Prof. Bernard's Historical Account of the Neutrality of Great Britain during the American Civil War*.

Dr. Heseckiel's *Private and Political Life of Count Bismark*, has appeared from the press of Messrs. John Hogg and Son, London; a reprint of the same by the Messrs. Harper Bros., is also ready.

Rossetti's new volume of Poems is announced as in press. Swinburne's new poems, *Songs before Sunrise*, are to be published this month.

A *Biography of John Wesley*, from the pen of one (Miss Wedgwood) in full sympathy with the subject, is nearly ready.

The Blackwoods have in press the *Poems of Ossian*, in the original Gaelic, with a new literal English translation and illustrative notes.

Goldwin Smith, we learn, is engaged in writing a popular history of England for American readers.

The still famous *Sermons* of Henry Melvill, D.D., have been re-issued in New York, under the editorship of Bishop McIlvaine.

Knight's *American Mechanical Dictionary*, announced by Messrs. J. B. Ford & Co., New York, is to be a complete Cyclopædia of tools, instruments, machines, processes and engineering, history of inventions, and general technological vocabulary, illustrated with 5,000 engravings.

A series of letters from M. de Pressense to a gentleman in America, descriptive of *Rome and Italy at the opening of the Ecumenical Council*, has been published in one volume by a New York house.

The Morning Land is the title given by Mr. Edward Dicey to his collection of letters to the *London Daily Telegraph*, while acting as special correspondent to that paper in the East at the opening of the Suez Canal. The work appears from Macmillan's press.

Rev. Mr. Paxton Hood's new work has gone into a second thousand. It is an entertaining treasury of illustration, entitled "*The World of Anecdote, an accumulation of facts, incidents, and illustrations, historical and biographical, from books and times, recent and remote.*"

The non-conformists are being ably represented in the religious thought of the times, especially on

Church Questions, by the publication of a series of essays on Church Problems, entitled *Ecclesia*. The volume is edited by Dr. Reynolds, and is contributed to by Dr. Stoughton, Rev. J. Baldwin Brown, Rev. R. W. Dale, and other writers of that body.

The scepticism and rationalism of the age is bearing fruit to its own condemnation—in calling out a host of works, from able men, on the orthodox side.—Here are the titles of a few important recent works, *The Scriptural Account of the Creation Vindicated by the Teaching of Science*, by the Rev. Wm. Paul, D.D., of Banchory.

The Rev. Canon Liddon has in preparation a new volume of sermons or lectures delivered at St. James', Piccadilly, London, during Lent, 1870, entitled,—“Elements of Religion.” The Messrs. Rivington will publish the work.

The Earl of Albemarle is at work on a volume of Memoirs of the early part of the reign of George

Mr. Howitt is engaged on a volume of Quaker history and biography.

The Messrs. Cassell have just published an interesting work on “Words that have a tale to tell,” entitled, a Dictionary of Phrase and Fable, containing 70,000 examples; giving the derivation, source, and origin of common phrases and allusions.

The *Athenæum* states that there is more than ordinary competition at present among American publishers for early sheets from English authors. Dickens was offered \$10,000 for an advance copy of “Edwin Drood,” and Mr. Disraeli, it is said, had been young, might have had his head turned by the Transatlantic “bids” for “Lothair.”

SUMMARY OF PUBLICATIONS.

As has been frequently said of well-read men, that to enjoy their acquaintance was a liberal education—we may, without egotism, be permitted to say, that it is the desire and ambition of the publishers of THE CANADA BOOKSELLER, that its pages should stand in an analogous position to general readers and enquirers; and furnish that intelligent information and gossip about the current doings of authors and publishers, that will make its acquaintance a necessity to all reading men. The unfortunate matter, however, that, in no little degree, defeats our “good intentions,” is one often heard in these days of prolific writing—WANT OF SPACE.

To this inexorable circumstance, though, we must bow; and our readers, in consequence, must submit to the “Darwinianism” of the following “preservation by selection,” from the “spawn of the press”—as Emerson, in his new work, has it.

IN THEOLOGY; and turning to this, while religious opinion and controversy are so rife, it is not surprising to find this department so “charged and shot.” We “draw the charge” (which is not a blank one, as we have said) and find the following among the grape, canister and wadding. A good deal of this literature, it is assuring to know, however, is of the latter pacific ingredient, and not at all belligerent in its character. Which of it is grape, which the chilled shot, and which the harmless wadding, the reader, no doubt, will readily surmise.

We drop the figure, however, as too militant for the material before us—and simply chronicle the appearance of the third edition of *The Pope and the Council*, by Janus, a work which levels a deadly blow at Ultramontanists; a translation of Hagenbach's *History of the Christian Church during the 18th and 19th Centuries*; the 9th volume of Lange's

important critical, exegetical, and homiletical Commentaries—on the *Proverbs of Solomon*; Hurst's *Religious Thought in England, from the Reformation to the end of last Century*; and the first volume of Blunt's *Dictionary of Doctrinal and Historical Theology*, consisting of original articles on all the important doctrines of Theology.

IN BIOGRAPHY, we have two serviceable dictionaries, one a portly work from the press of Messrs. Cassells, the other uniform with Haydn's valuable *Dictionary of Dates*, and from the same publishers Messrs. Moxon, entitled *A Universal Index to Biography, from the Creation to the Present Time*. In this department, we have also a translation of Dr. Hezekiel's *Private and Political Life of Count Bismarck*; the *Life and Letters of Miss Mary Russell Mitford*; and a *Memoir of Sir David Brewster* by his daughter.

IN SCIENCE.—Dr. Pouchet's sketch of contrasts in creation and marvels, revealed and explained by natural science, entitled *The Universe*; and an elegant volume, that those about to build may study, *Villa and Cottage Architecture*, being select examples of country and suburban residences recently erected. Both of these works are from Messrs. Blackie's press.

IN GENERAL LITERATURE, we find the valuable issues from the press of Messrs. A. Murray & Sons, who are doing good service in producing, cheaply and tastefully, the classic English writers, among which we find:—*Pepys's Memoirs*; *Evelyn's Diary*; *Gibbon's Rome*; *Hallam's Works*; *Adam Smith's Essays and Wealth of Nations*; *Buller's Hudibras*; *Scott's Minstrelsy of the Scottish Border*, &c., &c.

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the education of many retail tradesmen is of most meagre description, and, singularly, they do not attempt to improve themselves. It is no common circumstance to see well-dressed and well-mannered men and women behind counters displaying gross ignorance in the orthography of the plainest words in their invoices and business letters, while every rule of syntax appears to be religiously defied. Among persons who have risen from artisans to be masters, excuses may be admitted. We cannot, however, be equally lenient with booksellers, stationers and news-vendors. Trafficking in literature, these persons should possess a moderate amount of scholarship. In many hundreds of cases, however, we have heard such tradesmen make the grossest blunders. Recently, from a high class metropolitan establishment, an invoice, written by the principal, contained charges for supplying the *Athenium*, *Pell Mell Gazette*, the *Gardner's Magazine*, *Family Herald*, and the *Spectator*. The allowance of amount was referred to, and credit for a payment was described as "received on a date." This is no isolated case, as we could produce numerous instances of a similar character.

Orthographical and grammatical errors in invoices and ordinary business correspondence are not by any means injurious to retail tradesmen, but, undoubtedly, they cannot fail to bring the writers to contempt when mistakes occur in circulars that are issued for local distribution. Indeed, so often are prospectuses foolishly and badly indited, that we believe much of the non-success that attends them may be attributed to the scholastic incapacity of the writers. This reason sufficiently warrants our referring to the circumstance, and we hope these remarks may be the means of inducing our partially educated friends to be for the future careful in having their business announcements properly revised before publication. Among the trades indicated there are very many highly educated and accomplished individuals who will thoroughly endorse our remarks, and who desire to see their brother tradesmen endeavour to give a higher tone to their occupations. As a curiosity of business literature, we extract, *verbatim et literalim*, from a circular lately issued by a bookseller in a fashionable suburb of London, in which he announces the removal:—

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An important and responsible Chicago house, we are glad to see, announce a collected and uniform edition of the speeches of Lord Erskine, while at the Bar.

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"Comtesse Dash" is the Vicountesse de Saint Mars; "Florence Maryett" is Mrs. Ross Church; "Louisa Muhlbach" is Mme. Clara Mundt; "Oliver Optic" is William T. Adams; "Ouida" is said by the Philadelphia Press to be Miss de la Rama, of London. Ouida is old French for "yes indeed." "Petroleum V. Nasby" is David R. Locke; "Arthur Sketchley" is Mr. George Rose; "Doesticks" is Mortimer Thompson, Fanny Fern's son-in-law; "Orpheus C. Kerr" is Robert H. Newell; "Mark Twain" is Sam. L. Clemens; "Artemus Ward" was C. F. Browne, now deceased; "Marion Herland" is Mrs. Virginia Trehune; "Iraueus" is Dr. S. I. Prime; "Porte Crayon" is Gen. Strother; "Fanny Fern" is Sara, Mrs. James Parton; "Jennie June" is Mrs. Jennie Croley; "The Country Parson" is Dr. A. K. H. Boyd; "The Lounger," of Harper's, is George William Curtis; "Mr. Sparrowgrass" was F. S. Cozzens, now deceased; "Ik. Marvel" is Donald G. Mitchell; "Josh Billings" is A. W. Shaw; "Timothy Titcomb" is Dr. J. G. Holland; "Gail Hamilton" is Abigail E. E. Dodge; "Mrs. Partington" is B. P. Shillaber; "Ned Buntline" is E. Z. C. Judson; "Edmund Kirke" is J. R. Gilmore; "Misses Wetherill" are Susan and Annie Warner; "Cuthbert Bede" is the Rev. Edward Bradley; "Owen Meredith" is a son of Lord Lytton—Robert Bulwer; "George Sand" is Madame Dudevant; "Frank Forester" is H. W. Herbert; "George Elliot" was Miss Mary A. Evans, now Mrs. George Henry Lewes; the author of the "Rob Roy" books is Capt. Robert McGregor; "Philip and Grace Wharton" are Mr. J. P. and Mrs. A. T. Thomson; Miss Annie Manning is author of "Mary Powell," and other kindred books; Miss Charlotte Mary Yonge is author of "The Heir of Redcliffe;" Charlotte Elliot, one of fourteen children of Charles Elliot, of Grove House, Clapham, wrote the well-known hymns beginning "Just as I am, without one plea," and "Nearer, my God, to Thee;" Mr. Toplady wrote the hymn "Rock of Ages;" Richard Grant White was the author of "The New Gospel of Peace;" the "Sicilian Boy" of Longfellow's "Tales of a Wayside Inn" is M. Murat; Schele de Vere, the magazinist, is a Professor in the University of Virginia, at Charlottesville; Dulton Cook is the dramatic critic of the London *Pall Mall Gazette*; Mr. Philip Harwood, who has succeeded the late Douglas Cook as editor of the *Saturday Review*, was associated in early life with the late Mr. W. J. Fox, and other Utilitarians; the *Saturday Review's* historical critic is Edward Freeman; the art critic, Philip Gilbert Hamerton; the *Quarterly Review* is the organ of the Tories, the *Edinburgh of the Whigs*, the *Westminster of the Liberals*, and the *North British of the Progressists*; *Blackwood* is about what it was in 1817, when first published, a champion of church and state, and a high authority upon literary matters.

The subject of Professor Tyndall's recent lectures is "Dust," which will be shortly published.

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(ENGLISH.)

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THE STATIONERY MARKET,

to trade in the staple articles of Stationery, in the last quarter, has been rather light, though there has been an increased demand for printing papers to some extent for book work—but especially for newspaper printing. The price of imported papers has necessarily increased somewhat with the advance on all kinds of papers in Britain, consequent on the failure of the Esparto crop. Though new materials for paper are being introduced with considerable success in England, yet the manufacturers are still much dependant on the Esparto grass, and its failure last year has considerably affected the market. The consumption of paper for the printing of Prayer Books and Church Services having, for the time, ceased, pending the anticipated changes in the ritual, this would slightly affect the demand for Book Papers, but so many projects and ventures are now on foot in the busy haunts of the old world, that where a demand ceases in one branch of the trade it crops up in another, therefore, a circumstance like this but little influences prices. The trade in paper manufacture in Britain, France and Belgium now is something enormous; and the adaptation of the material to all sorts of useful and novel purposes—paper collars, table mats, pocket handkerchiefs, &c.,—vastly increases its consumption. The trade in the manufacture of paper, with our neighbours in the States, too, is assuming mammoth proportions; for, according to the report of the special commissioners of Internal Revenue, we find that for the year 1869, its total value amounted to seventy-two million dollars.

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We repeat the suggestion we made on this subject in our last number, that our retail trade should give more attention to bringing these useful novelties before their customers. Look them up and procure supplies; and if attractively presented, we are sure it will be found stimulative of trade. Many of the articles to which we refer, such as are manufactured by Messrs. Myers & Son, Birmingham, and Perry & Co., of London, can be had of our importing houses; and a large proportion of them can be inexpensively manufactured by our native tradesmen, and thus open up new branches of industry in the country. The introduction of the printed fractional currency has necessitated the use of small tickets, or currency purses, and a few ingenious and neatly finished kinds have come under our notice from the factory of Messrs. Brown, Bros., Toronto. We commend them to the notice of the Trade,—and, alluding to this industrious industry, and referring to the art of

BOOKBINDING,

we take much pleasure in complimenting them, here, on their recent issues of cloth cases or book-covers. Those we have just seen are the best specimens that have ever been manufactured in Ontario. The cloth is of the fine-grained quality, and of attractive and decided colours, the edges are neatly and uniformly bevelled, and the lines and titles are clearly and sharply embossed. In Montreal, we had recently the pleasure of seeing some equally good work in cloth cases, in the establishment of Mr. John Lovell, whose office is the most complete and efficient, as it is the largest, in any in the country. For the finest specimens of letter-press binding, and the most finished workmanship in calf and morocco, the Messrs. Dawson Brothers, of Montreal, "take the palm," by all odds, and we heartily congratulate them on the enterprise that has led them to import some of the best London hands in this trade and thus to give an impetus to our native industry.

LITHOGRAPHIC AND CHROMO-LITHOGRAPHIC PRINTING.

The importance and growing trade in this branch of industry in Canada deserve, at our hands, considerable attention. We had intended in this number to have given a sketch of the extent of the trade done in lithography in Toronto, Montreal, Hamilton, and other places, but we find our space will not permit of this at present. Printing from transfers and stones, now being done by steam in Canada, the cost of this process of printing is very much lessened, and there has been, of late years, a consequent increase in this business. We hope to do justice to this subject in a future number, and, meantime, content ourselves with enumerating the leading firms in this art in Canada. In Montreal, Messrs. Roberts & Reinhold; and Burland, L'African & Co. In Toronto, Mr. Rolph, and Messrs. Copp, Clark & Co.; and in Hamilton, Messrs. Brown & Bautz

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We regret, also, that in this department we are precluded by want of space from noticing the exquisite art work of Messrs. Notman & Fraser, and Mr. R. D. Ewing, of Toronto, and of the business done in this trade in Canada. Their work "turned out" by these firms is not to be excelled, if equalled, on the Continent, and we doubt, even in Europe, finer specimens of this art can be seen.

CANADIAN PUBLICATIONS AND NATIVE INTELLIGENCE.

The Life of the late Bishop Strachan.

His Lordship, the successor (in the Bishopric of Toronto) to the subject of this biography, has performed the work he had undertaken in the spirit of deep affection and respect. In an earnest, yet dispassionate manner, and in full sympathy with his subject, the writer has here laid before the reader the interesting story of a long and useful life. The career of this distinguished and much-beloved Canadian prelate was a remarkable one; and the record of his life, so closely interwoven, as it is, with the history of this country, and so intimately associated with its civil, political and ecclesiastical affairs, cannot but prove a most interesting and instructive study to every native reader. Enjoying for a long period of years, and in an especial degree, the confidence and friendship of the late Bishop, this biography of Bishop Bethune's will be accepted as authoritative of the facts and incidents related. We are glad, at the same time, to find, that the biographer has been eminently judicious in the selection of these. The style of the work is clear and simple, the tone elevated, and the book, withal, one that will highly enrich our young literature. It has been very attractively produced by the publisher, Mr. Rowsell.

Messrs. Dawson Brothers, of Montreal, will shortly publish a series of three histories of Canada, from the pen of Dr. H. H. Miles, of Quebec. The first, a simple child's history; the second, a school history, for the use of elementary and model schools; and the third, "A New History of Canada," from 1534 to 1867—a more advanced text book, and manual for general readers. The Council of Public Instruction of the Province of Quebec, we learn, have sanctioned the use of the two first in the common schools. The same firm have just issued an elegant series of the "Spencerian" copy books, in 12 numbers, designed for school use; also, a serviceable pocket map of the new Province of Manitoba, which is *appropos* while the North-West is engaging so much attention.

Mr. Warwick, of Toronto, has in press a Canadian edition of Mrs. Southworth's new novel "Family Doom," which has been appearing in the *Leader* newspaper. This work, we think, is the thirtieth production of this prolific novelist. It will be handsomely reprinted.

From MacLear & Co., Toronto, we have received a reprint of an excellent work, published by Messrs. Hurd and Houghton, New York, from the pen of Dr. W. W. Hall,

the editor of *Hall's Journal of Health*, entitled, "Health by Good Living." The design of the book is to show that health is promoted by a careful diet, and how much influenced by air, light, exercise, &c., and how the "cure," when intelligently and judiciously indulged in, is as a restorative to the enfeebled, the dyspeptic, &c., &c.

Two USEFUL LEGAL MANUALS are before us, one, "Compilation of the Acts respecting Municipal Institutions of Ontario, A.D. 1870," by Mr. T. Wills, printed by Miller, Rose & Co., and published by H. Rowsell; the other, "The Ontario Cabinet Lawyer, being a Handy-book of Law Forms, with observations designed for the use of Farmers, Merchants and others," by John Whitley, Esq., Barrister-at-Law. The latter is printed by Lovell & Co., Toronto, and supplied to the trade by Adam, Stevenson & Co., and is meeting with a most successful sale.

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Messrs. Adam, Stevenson & Co. issue, in pamphlet shape, the Rev. Prof. Young's recent lecture, delivered at Knox's College at the close of the College Session, on "Freedom and Necessity,"—an inquiry "whether, and what sense, men are free agents; and whether, and what sense, their actions are necessary."

Messrs. Copp, Clark & Co., have issued, in very elegant form, a little brochure on "Croquet: its implements and Laws," drawn up by a committee of players appointed to the Editor of *The Field*, London.

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It is intended, in future numbers of THE CANADA BOOKSELLER, to devote a column to a sort of "Examinations" in Literature and Bibliography, with a design of inciting in the younger members of the trade an increased interest in, and a more practical acquaintance with the business. The stimulus to reading and research of a column of this sort, it is thought, will prove of service to them, while it may not be unacceptable and uninteresting to general readers.

Messrs. Strahan's Publications.

Among the recent issues of this house, we are in receipt of the following, which we commend to the attention of our readers. A few of them are published, in extended form, from the pages of the *Sunday Magazine* and *Good Words*—the valuable and popular serials of this firm, but they are so well worth preserving in book-shape, that, we doubt

they will be appreciatively bought. Besides the intrinsic merit of the publications of this industrious firm, the press in which their books appear, while being remarkable for the taste and ingenuity of design, commend them for the "conceit" and regard of the collector and the scholar. We enumerate, *Saving Knowledge*, addressed to young men by Drs. Guthrie and Blaikie; *The Byeways of Scripture*, a series of Biblical studies, by the Rev. E. H. Camp; *Heroes of Hebrew History*, by Bishop Wilberforce; a cheap edition of *Eastward*, by Dr. Norman; *Jesus and the Resurrection*, by the Rev. Samuel May; Vicar Vaughan's *Last Words in Doncaster*, and *Best Words for Earnest Men*; *Life, a Book for Young Men*, by the Rev. J. C. Geikie; *The Peace of God*, by the Rev. J. C. Geikie; and a cheap edition of Dean Alford's *Revised Version of the New Testament*.

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The local trade will also find the general edition of the next number issue of much interest and importance to their customers. Early orders for quantity required for circulation in their districts should be sent before the end of August. For terms of advertising, see second page of next number.

English books designed for review in THE CANADA BOOKSELLER may be left, under care of the publishers, at Messrs. Sampson Low, Son, & Marston, publishers, London.

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FROM HARPER BROTHERS.—"A Comparative Grammar of the Anglo-Saxon Language," in which its forms are illustrated by those of Sanscrit, Greek, Latin, Gothic, Old Saxon, &c., by Francis A. March, Professor of Comparative Philology in Lafayette College. "Christianity and Greek Philosophy, or the relation between spontaneous and reflective thought in Greece, and the positive teaching of Christ and his Apostles," by B. F. Cocker, D.D.

Serials Received by the Editor.

FROM MESSRS. J. B. FORD & Co.—"Plymouth Pulpit," and "The Christian Union," weekly. These are the weekly issues of the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, the former containing the current sermon of that eminent divine; the latter, the religious newspaper edited by Mr. Beecher, which we warmly commend to those in search of a fresh, thoughtful and undenominational religious weekly.

FROM THEIR PROPRIETORS—and acknowledged with thanks.—"The Trade Circular and Literary Bulletin."—New York: Leyfold & Holt.

"The American Booksellers' Guide." New York: The American News Company.

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"The Bookbuyer," a summary of American and Foreign Literature. New York: C. Scribner & Co.

"Stewart's Quarterly," Vol. 4, No. 1, for April, 1870. St. John, N. B.: H. Chubb & Co.

"The Montreal Weekly Transcript." Press of Mr. Lovell. An excellent Canadian newspaper for the family circle, being the weekly edition of *The Daily News*.

"The Dominion Medical Journal." Editors—W. Ozden, M.D., and J. Widmer Rolph, M.D. Vol. 2, No. 5, for April.

"The Chicago Medical Journal," for May, 1870. Chicago: Keen, Cooke & Co.

"The California Medical Gazette," for April. San Francisco: A. Roman & Co.

Three valuable representative Journals of Medical and Surgical Science.

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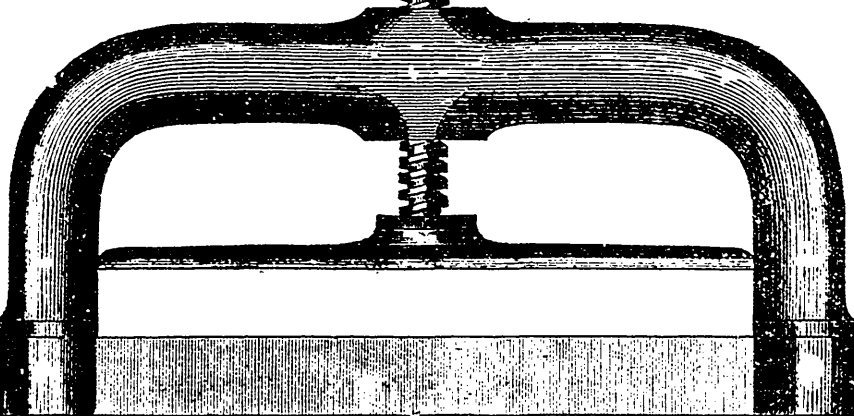
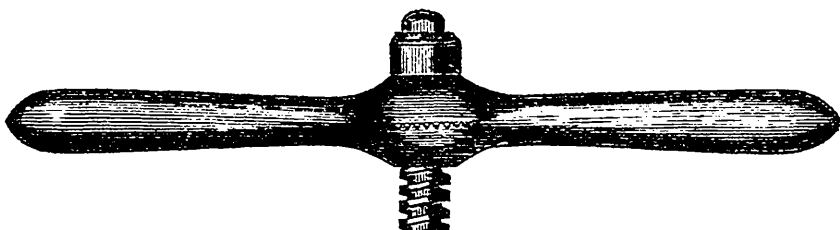
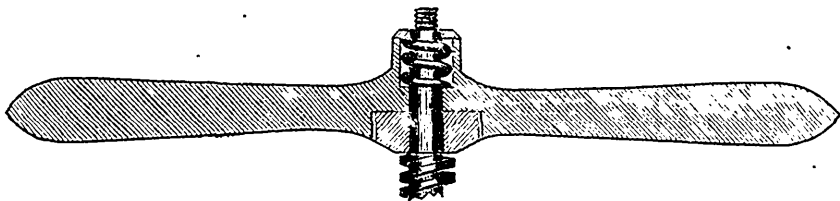
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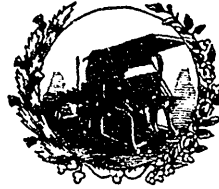
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