

lacking in interest.—The same publishers bring out "The Young Game-Warden," by Mr. Harry Castlemon, which tells how courage and faithfulness are rewarded, and even villains made repentant, by the hero's conscientious attention to duty.

Mr. J. Macdonald Oxley's "The Boy Tramps; or, Across Canada" (Crowell) is full of pleasing descriptions of the picturesque Canadian cities and of the grand scenery to be found in British America. The illustrations, by Mr. Henry Sandham, are full of life and spirit.—Other books of travel and adventure are Mr. Herbert Hayen's "Clevely Sahib" (Nelson), a well-told story of Afghanistan in the exciting times of 1840 and '41; Mr. W. O. Stoddard's "The Windfall" (Appleton), a wholesome and natural tale of life and danger in a coal-mine, with few but appropriate illustrations; Oliver Optic's "Four Young Explorers" (Lee & Shepard), giving much natural history and other information of Borneo, Siam, Cochin China, Canton, and Formosa; "On the Staff," a new volume in the "Blue and Gray" series, by the same author and publisher; Mr. David Ker's "Swept Out to Sea" and Mr. J. Provend Webster's "The Oracle of Baal" (Lippincott), the latter being a story somewhat in the style of Mr. Haggard's "She"; Lieutenant R. H. Jayne's "The Golden Rock" (American Publishers Corporation), picturing dramatically the life of trappers among the Sioux Indians; Harry Castlemon's "The Mystery of Lost River Canyon" and Mr. Horatio Alger, Jr.'s "Frank Hunter's Peril" (Coates); Mr. Harry Collingwood's "The Life of a Privateersman" (Scribner); Lieutenant H. P. Whitmarsh's "The Young Pearl Divers" (Knight); and a new edition of Henry Kingsley's "The Mystery of the Island" (Lippincott).

Books for the littler children are numerous and attractive. One of the daintiest of them is Mrs. Ella F. Pratt's "Happy Children" (Crowell), with charming illustrations in color.—A somewhat similar book is "Little Men and Maids" (Stokes), with illustrations by Miss Frances Brundage and Elizabeth S. Lucker.—Others in this group are "The Froggy Fairy Book" (Drexel-Biddle & Bradley), by Mr. A. J. Drexel-Biddle, whose impassioned dedication is worthy of a better production; a pleasantly original story by Elizabeth S. Blakeley, called "Fairy Starlight and the Dolls" (McClurg), with illustrations by Mrs. Lucy F. Perkins; "The Wallypug of Why" (Dodd), by M. G. E. Farrow, a fairy story a little in the manner of "Alice in Wonderland," with appropriately fantastic pictures; "An Outland Journey" (Copeland & Day), by Mr. Walter L. Sawyer, illustrated with pretty thumb-nail sketches; "Jerry the Blunderer" (Roberts), a story of a pet Irish terrier, by Miss Lily F. Wesselhoeft; "The Merry Fire," by Penn Shirley, a new volume in the "Silver Gate Series," and "The Rosebud Club," by Grace Le Baron, the third volume in the "Hazelwood Series," both published by Lee & Shepard; "The Sign of the North Star," by Annie Key Barton, and "Little Wintergreen," by Caroline F. Little, both published by Thomas Whittaker; "Max and Zan and Nicodemus" (W. J. Shuey), by Mrs. M. A. H. Fisher; "Little Nin" (A. I. Bradley & Co.), by Virge Reese Phelps; "Santa Claus's Home" (Arena Co.), by Helen M. Cleveland and Margaret Gay; "Some More Nonsense" (Young), written and illustrated by "A. Nobody"; and "The Golliwog's Bicycle Club" (Longmans), in which the Misses Upton tell the strangest adventures that ever happened to dolls outside of the enchanted regions of doll-land.

LITERARY NOTES.

"A First Book in Writing English," by Dr. E. H. Lewis, of Chicago, is announced for early publication by the Macmillan Co.

Marryat's "The Phantom Ship," with an introduction by Mr. David Hannay, is published by the Macmillan Co. in their "Illustrated Standard Novels."

Messrs. Thomas Nelson & Sons publish a substantial one-volume edition of "Captain Cook's Voyages Round the World," with a life of the navigator by Mr. M. B. Syngue.

The people of Görlitz, in Silesia, are going to hold a Jakob Böhme celebration next January, and hope later to be able to erect a monument to the famous cobbler-mystic.

Messrs. Henry Holt & Co. are just about to issue the concluding volume of ten Brink's history of English literature, carrying the narrative down to the accession of Elizabeth.

"Karine," translated by Miss Emma A. Endlich from the German of Wilhelm Jensen, is published by Messrs. A. C. McClurg & Co. in their series of "Tales from Foreign Lands."

The latest bound volume of "The Century" magazine is for the six months ending with last October, and is noteworthy for its conclusion of two important works—"Sir George Tressady" and Professor Sloane's "Life of Napoleon."

The concluding volume of Mr. George Haven Putnam's "Books and Their Makers" is to be issued before the new year. It will complete the survey to 1709—the date of the beginning of copyright—and will contain an index to the work.

"Joutel's Journal of La Salle's Last Voyage," reprinted from the 1714 English edition, with notes by Professor M. B. Anderson, is the first publication of the Caxton Club. It is now ready for delivery to subscribers. Only 203 copies have been printed.

The Henry O. Shepard Co. of Chicago have completed their important "People's Bible History," and now offer the work to the public in attractive form. The book forms a very appropriate and suitable Holiday gift, not only for the Bible student but for the general reader as well.

Messrs. Longmans, Green, & Co. publish a new edition of "The Life and Letters of George John Romanes." The work is substantially unchanged.—The same firm reissue "The Ruined Cities of Mashonaland," by Mr. J. Theodore Bent, as a volume of their popular "Silver" library.

The American Historical Association holds its twelfth annual meeting at Columbia University, New York, December 29–31. The programme is arranged for six sessions, and is of marked and varied interest. Professor Herbert B. Adams is the Secretary, and Dr. Richard S. Storrs the President of this organization.

Messrs. Little, Brown, & Co. are to be the publishers of Captain Mahan's "Life of Nelson," upon which this distinguished author has been engaged for some years. It will appear in the spring, in two volumes, illustrated with about twenty portraits. The same house will begin next year upon an entirely new illustrated edition of Francis Parkman.

"The Yellow Book" for October has just made its appearance in this country, coming from the recently

established Newness. It is the same as the few first-rate novels. Its one serious appreciation of the

Dr. S. Weir's "Free Quaker," is intended for bookshelves. It had been printed and taken for it, when serial in the magazine, the book has been of the "Century"

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