

training or experience. But in books such prodigies are quite common. *Mopsy*, by Kate Tannett Woods (Lothrop Publishing Company, Boston), increases this army of prodigies by one.—The Pansy Books are too well known to need any introduction to a certain reading public. The last book by Pansy, *Making Fate* (Lothrop Publishing Company, Boston), is closely related to the other books by that writer.—The Readers for children, printed during the last few years would make a large library. Ginn & Co., Boston, have issued two of the Nature Readers. The second is *Winter*, by Francis L. Strong, illustrated by Gertrude A. Stoker.



Literary Notes

—M. Francis Charmes is a candidate for Jules Simon's chair in the French Academy.

—In Mr. J. R. Howard's article on the late Mrs. Stowe, in our issue of July 25, the portrait of Roxanna Foote was incorrectly entitled "Mrs. Stowe's Mother." Mrs. Foote was the grandmother of Mrs. Stowe.

—The new edition of Byron, which is to be edited by his grandson, Lord Lovelace, will include several unpublished manuscripts and a large number of letters from the family collection, besides a mass of new material collected by the late Mr. John Murray.

—There will be published in the autumn a posthumous book by the late Mrs. Rundle Charles, known as the author of "The Schönberg-Cotta Family." It will be entitled "Our Seven Homes," and gives an account of her own early life and the development of her opinions.

—Two pages and a half of Thackeray's autograph of the "Adventures of Philip" brought \$100 in London lately. A letter of John Locke, the philosopher, was sold for \$122, one of King Richard III. for \$200, and one of the several copies of Burns's "Holy Willie's Prayer" fetched \$595.

—Mr. W. T. Stead confesses that when he included a selection from Matthew Arnold in his "Penny Poets," he "wondered greatly whether a poet so exclusive and so cultured would meet with a welcome from the masses." The result has been eminently satisfactory, for in less than six months nearly 200,000 copies have been sold.

—A San Francisco correspondent of the New York "Tribune" says that Miss Beatrice Harraden is in that city in search of health. For several months she has been staying on a ranch back of San Diego, but her physician recommended a change to the cool breezes and sea fog of San Francisco in summer. She will go to England as soon as she recovers her strength in order to see through the press a new story.

—The family of the late Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe request that any persons having letters of Mrs. Stowe will send them to Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 4 Park Street, Boston, or to A. P. Watt, Esq., Hastings House, Norfolk Street, Strand, London, with reference to their possible use in a contemplated "Life and Letters of Mrs. Stowe." These letters will be carefully returned to their owners after copies have been made of such as are found to be available.



Books Received

For week ending July 25

- AMERICAN BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY, PHILADELPHIA
Eddy, Daniel C., D.D. *Saxenhurst*. \$1.50.
CHICAGO THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY PRESS, CHICAGO
Scott, Hugh M., D.D. *The Nicene Theology*.
THE CHRISTIAN LITERATURE CO., NEW YORK
Du Bose, William P. *The Ecumenical Councils*. \$1.50.
GINN & CO., BOSTON
Strong, Francis L. *All the Year Round*. Part II.: *Winter*.
Andrews, George A. *Composite Geometrical Figures*.
Stickney, J. H. *Pets and Companions*. (Second Reader.)
LONGMANS, GREEN & CO., NEW YORK
Tee, Eleanor. *The Sanctuary or Suffering*. \$2.
LOTHROP PUBLISHING CO., BOSTON
Pansy (Mrs. G. R. Alden). *Making Fate*. \$1.50.
Woods, Kate T. *Mopsy*. \$1.25.
THE MACMILLAN CO., NEW YORK
Spenser, Edmund. *Faerie Queene*. Edited by Thomas J. Wise. (Book V. Cantos V.-VIII. Part XIV.) Illustrated by Walter Crane. \$3.
Nietzsche, Friedrich. *Thus Spake Zarathustra*. Translated by Alexander Tille. \$2.50.
J. S. OGILVIE PUBLISHING CO., NEW YORK
Parsons, Cornelia M. *A Secret of the Sea*. 50 cts.
G. P. PUTNAM'S SONS, NEW YORK
Benson, Edward F. *The Babe, B. A.* \$1.
Cort, John Owen. *The Religion of Manhood*. 75 cts.
SILVER, BURDETT & CO., NEW YORK
Terhune, Albert Payson. *Syria from the Saddle*.
FREDERICK A. STOKES & CO., NEW YORK
Deland, Margaret. *Counting the Cost*. 10 cts.
The Flaw in the Marble. 75 cts.
Sturgis, Julian. *A Master of Fortune*. 75 cts.
HERBERT S. STONE & CO., CHICAGO
Le Gallienne, Richard. *Prose Fancies*. (Second Series.) \$1.25.
Blossom, Henry M., Jr. *Checkers*. \$1.25.
STONE & KIMBALL, NEW YORK
Wells, H. G. *The Island of Doctor Moreau*. \$1.25.
Fitch, Clyde. *Some Correspondence and Six Conversations*. \$1.
CLAYTON F. SUMMY CO., CHICAGO
Hill, Mildred J., and Patty S. Hill. *Song Stories for the Kindergarten*. Illustrated by Margaret Byers. \$1.
FREDERICK WARNE & CO., NEW YORK
The Royal Natural History. Edited by Richard Lydekker, Nos. 26, 27, and 28. 50 cts. each.
THE WERNER CO., CHICAGO
Beebe, Katherine. *Home Occupations for Little Children*.
THE WOOLFALL CO., NEW YORK
Ellis, Edward S. *The People's Standard History of the United States*. Parts 7 and 8. 50 cts. each.

The Religious World

Young People at Northfield

On Monday evening, July 20, the fourth annual conference for young women, at Northfield, Mass., closed the best series of meetings in its history. The conferences were for the purpose of Bible study and the encouraging of young women in the spiritual life, and were held under the auspices of the International Committee of the Young Women's Christian Association. In scope and spirit it is similar somewhat to the Y. W. C. A. conferences held each summer at Lake Geneva, where the sixth annual conference has just closed. Their meeting is for Bible study, practical consideration of missionary work, discussion of Association methods, and preparation for general Christian work among young women in cities and colleges. During the Northfield Conference Mr. William H. Sallmon, General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Yale University, conducted a class in Normal Devotional Bible Study, and also one in the Life of Paul, for the especial benefit of those who teach in Association classes. Miss Nellie J. Allen, College Secretary of Pennsylvania, conducted the College Conferences, which were attended by students from many institutions, and Miss C. I. MacCall, State Secretary of New York, had charge of the City Conferences. Miss Clarissa H. Spencer, Traveling Secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement, led a deeply interested Missionary Training Class. These classes and conferences are considered by Association workers as the most strengthening exercise possible for those engaged in the work. The work was so distributed that each guest was free from any strain, or pressure, so that study and recreation were delightfully intermingled. Among those who addressed the "Round Top" and auditorium meetings were Mr. D. L. Moody, Dr. Alexander MacKenzie, Rev. R. A. Torrey, Mr. Robert E. Speer, Miss A. M. Reynolds, and Miss E. K. Price. The Round Top vesper services are always among the most delightful meetings held at Northfield, and apparently they were more inspired this year than ever before. On the lower slope of Notch Mountain, directly east of the village, the second annual encampment of the Young Men's Christian Association is being held. It opened on July 1 and continues until September 1. A large number of young men from all parts of the country are present and enjoying to the fullest extent the superior advantages of recreation and spiritual quickening which are offered at Northfield. Among the attractive features for young men are the swimming floats in the Connecticut River, the tennis courts, the ball-field, the mountains and glens affording delightful tramps. But more attractive even than these charms of nature are the many inspiring Christian services to which they have free access while there. A special Bible class of one hour each day and an evangelistic Bible class also is conducted for the special benefit of the campers. There they come into touch with such inspiring men this year as Rev. F. B. Meyer, of London; Alexander MacKenzie, A. T. Pierson, and Mr. D. L. Moody. Those who attended last year were delighted with the encampment, and this season a larger number of enthusiastic, whole-souled young men are present, and even a larger number is expected in August. In this method of providing a summer resort for young men, which combines the attractions of pleasant recreation with Christian service and educational influence, the Y. M. C. A. is following the noble example of the English Associations, which have done such excellent work of this kind.

The Presbyterian Building

Many Presbyterian laymen of prominence in the church and in political and business life have been in New York City the past week in attendance upon the sessions of the meetings of important business committees of the Presbyterian Church. Among those whose names are best known to the general public are ex-President Harrison, Justice Harlan, of the United States Supreme Court, ex-Governor Beaver, of Pennsylvania, Mr. John Wanamaker, Mr. Warner Van Norden, Mr. John Crosby Brown, and Mr. Thomas Ewing. The matters under consideration by the committee have related in part to missionary administration and in part to the general business conduct of the Presbyterian Board of Home and Foreign Missions. One subject upon which the Committee of Eleven, appointed by Dr. Withrow, the Moderator of the last General Assembly, has reached a conclusion regards the building of the new Fifth Avenue Mission House. Some of the Presbyterians throughout the country have considered the erection of the new building a mistake and have even advocated that it should be sold. The Committee of Eleven has considered the financial questions involved very carefully, and has determined that there has been no extravagance or bad judgment in the matter. A report has been adopted, which will be presented in due time to the General Assembly, in which the members of the Committee say that they desire "to express full confidence in the integrity, fidelity, good faith, and loyal service of the members of the

Boards in their administration of their trusts, including the erection of a new building at 156 Fifth Avenue, and they earnestly trust that the church will unhesitatingly sustain the causes of the Home and Foreign Missions and give the financial support necessary to prosecute the work of the two Boards and relieve them from the existing indebtedness, which embarrasses them in their current work."

Plymouth Brethren A religious conference of the Plymouth Brethren, composed of persons of that faith from many parts of the United States, Canada, and England, has lately been in session at Plainfield, N. J. The conference was encamped in tents on the grounds of Paul J. Loizeaux, in Brook Avenue, in that city. Every evening and on Sunday afternoons public lectures were delivered by some of the visiting brethren, but all the other meetings were private, being intended for "personal study of the Bible." This certainly is peculiar in religious conventions, but it is not so strange when the history of this people is taken into account. They have always been a quiet, unostentatious body of believers, preferring seclusion to publicity. They call themselves Christians, and repudiate any other distinctive name or title, though they are generally known as "Plymouth Brethren," and were once denominated "Darbyites," after John Darby, the English clergyman who, in 1830, founded the sect at Dublin, but Mr. Darby called them *Separatists*, because they left the establishment. They hold some very strange opinions on Church organization, the order of the ministry worship, etc., but, with all, they are a people zealous in good works, and are to be commended for their exclusive loyalty to the Bible as the only and all-sufficient rule of faith and Christian conduct, particularly as against creeds and human opinions. Among those who delivered public lectures before the conference were Mr. F. W. Grant, of New York; S. Ridout, of Baltimore, and Mr. Greenman, of Halifax. The conference was in no wise legislative, or authoritatively ecclesiastical, but simply educational and spiritual. It was intensely and supremely religious.

A World-Wide Parish The regular meeting of the Brooklyn Christian Endeavor Union, on the evening of July 22, was turned into a farewell reception in honor of the Rev. Dr. F. E. Clark, President of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, who on the twenty-third sailed for Europe. Dr. Clark claims the whole Protestant Christian world as his parish, and this tour of certain parts of the Old World is simply a kind of pastoral visit in the interest of Christian Endeavor. His itinerary will include, first a visit to the principal parts of central Europe where considerable time will be spent in Germany and France. After that he will go to Scandinavia to do work in the Christian Endeavor field. His travels will next include a brief journey through England and Ireland, and then he expects to go to South Africa, visiting all the countries there in the interests of the work so dear to him. It is his purpose to return to England in time to take part in the great Endeavor Convention which meets there in June of 1897, and, of course, he will be at San Francisco in July of next year to meet the host that will gather at the Golden Gate. In his address at the Brooklyn meeting Dr. Clark said: "One of the most precious things. I shall carry away with me on this journey is the Christian assurance of love and hope for my welfare and safe return."

Dr. Barnardo and His Work Some time ago we printed an article on the wonderful work done among the London children by Dr. Barnardo. Our readers will be interested in an extract from an article in the current "Review of Reviews," by Mr. W. T. Stead, on "Dr. Barnardo, the Father of 'Nobody's Children.'" Mr. Stead says:

He is a center of spiritual, social, intellectual activity, perpetually in motion. He began by caring only for the city arab; he now finds the whole social problem on his hands. He is facing the whole vast complicated congeries of difficulties which baffle churches and governments, and facing them also with marvelous success. Round his Homes have ground up a veritable church militant, the most amazing octopus of our time. Nothing that is human is alien to Dr. Barnardo. He imports cargoes of timber from the forests of Norway, and plants out human seedlings in the prairies of Manitoba. He is surgeon, editor, preacher, teacher, jack-of-all trades, and a past master in all. One day he brings 3,700 of his children from all his Homes to the heart of the West End. It is a small army—a larger army than that with which Britain has won many of her most brilliant victories. Under his able direction they concentrate at the Albert Hall to meet the Prince and Princess of Wales, bringing with them a vast paraphernalia illustrative of all their enterprises, their works, and their sports. With a skill the late Sir Augustus Harris could not have excelled, he puts this gigantic troupe through a programme lasting nearly four hours, a programme that goes without a hitch, that keeps every one from Prince to pressman enthralled in unflinching interest, and that fascinates and delights every one, with one of the prettiest spectacles ever seen in London. And the troupe, what is it? One and all they are children, some mere babies, but all, whether old or young, perishing fragments of shipwrecked humanity, snatched one by one from the maelstrom of our cities. But for him these little ones would have been in the workhouse, in prison, in the grave, or, worse still, in the kennel and in the slum, preparing, before they were well in their teens, to perpetuate their kind. And then, after having given the world this gigantic object-lesson in organized philanthropy, the company disperses. The mammoth troupe of 3,700 silently

and swiftly retrace their steps. As was the concentration so was the distribution. In twelve hours all is over, the Homes are again full of teeming life, and not a child has been lost or has even missed its way. Those who have attempted to convoy a party of a score boys and girls from the circumference to the center of London in mid-season alone can appreciate what was involved in the march of the 3,700 to and from Albert Hall.

To Live, Or Not to Live Is the serious question which confronts the famous old Bethany College at Bethany, Brooke County, West Virginia. There are two or three things which give this institution special interest both among the churches and colleges of the county. First, it was founded by Alexander Campbell, the scholarly preacher, editor, and debater to whom the Disciples of Christ owe in a very large measure their origin and impulses of the earlier years. Dr. Campbell gave old Bethany her spirit; and through her his thought and purposes went out to hundreds of young men whom he inspired to preach Christ and him only. Second, Bethany is called among the Disciples of Christ "the eldest daughter of the Campbellian reformation," and in her welfare they have always had a special delight. And in the third place she is known as "the mother of Colleges" among this people who now have more than forty colleges and universities with aims similar to those of Bethany. These various institutions delight to honor her, and sincerely regret the financial stress that is upon her. This was shown in a marked degree by the University of Kentucky, whose Board of Curators, at a recent meeting, passed a resolution to take their financial agent from the field, and invited Bethany College to send theirs into Kentucky, and among the patrons and friends of the University, whom they request to consider Bethany's claims of priority and distinguished service and rally to her help. The news of this generosity reached Bethany at Commencement and was received with the heartiest, continued applause. In this day when the Apostle's injunction, "Look not upon thine own things, but upon the things of others," is so rarely observed by individuals and corporations, wholly lost in the advancement of their own interests, the action of Kentucky University is as refreshing and beautiful as it is rare and generous. This spirit loses nothing in the end.

Satolli's Successor Notwithstanding the generally accepted belief that Monsignor Satolli's successor as Papal Delegate to the United States would be Monsignor Falconio, it is now reported by a press correspondent in Rome that the Pope has appointed as Monsignor Satolli's successor the Rev. Sebastien Martinelli, Prior-General of the Augustins Chaussees and a brother of the late Cardinal Martinelli. The correspondent adds that the fact that the nomination had been made has been kept secret even from the most intimate associates of his Holiness, and upon its becoming known occasioned a general feeling of surprise. The Pope's choice is regarded as an excellent one. The Rev. Sebastien Martinelli is about sixty years of age. He is a learned theologian, and is thoroughly versed in the foreign policy of the Vatican. He was born at Lucca, capital of Lucca Province, in 1838. He entered the Augustinian Order in 1863, and was consecrated a priest in 1871. He was made rector of the Irish College in Rome in 1873, and Prior-General of the Augustinians in 1889. In 1893 Father Martinelli visited the United States, remaining in that country three months, part of which time he passed at the Augustinian Convent at Bryn Mawr, Pa. He speaks English.

Brief Mention

Ex-Queen Lilliuokalani was recently baptized and confirmed by the Anglican Bishop of Honolulu, Dr. Willis.

The Rev. Dr. Robert C. Hallock, who, since January 1, 1893, has been pastor of the Park Congregational Church of Brooklyn, has resigned.

The Rev. Horatio Oliver Ladd has resigned the rectorship of Trinity Church, Fishkill, N. Y., to take effect October 1, and has accepted an election to the rectorship of Grace Church, Jamaica, N. Y.

The English correspondent of "The Living Church" says there is no truth in the rumor that the Archbishop of Canterbury has appointed a commission of inquiry into the validity of Roman Orders; a question which has been raised several times lately by the reception of Roman priests into the Catholic Church of England. But it is said the Archbishop will take the more charitable view, and will for the present admit the claims of Roman priests to valid orders.

The Rev. Dr. Daniel C. Eddy, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Brooklyn, who died at Martha's Vineyard on Monday of last week, was seventy-three years old. He celebrated his semi-centennial as a minister in February last. He had been pastor of the First Baptist Church since 1881. He was graduated from the Theological Seminary at New Hampton, N. H., in 1845, and preached in Lowell and Boston before he went to Brooklyn. He at one time entered politics, and in 1854 was elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives, and was so popular that he was chosen Speaker.

There are many plans for Bible reading, but the members of the King's Household say their present plan has been more helpful to them than any other they have tried. The King's Household plan covers the entire Bible in four years. During the first year of the course the historical portions are read, during the second, the poetical, during the third, the prophetic, and fourth, the epistolary. The work is done by means of a quarterly slip-book containing the daily portion to be read, also blanks for note making and reviews. Further information may be had from Mrs. E. H. Bronson, Salem, N. J.