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AUTHORS OF

The Walking Delegate, by Leroy Scott, \$1.50. leday, Page & Co., New York, "Graft" spells "The Walking Dele-Fortunately, the former is ul-

timately knocked out. Nothing else in the tide of human affairs at this present moment is of such pulsating, momentous interest as anything of value printable or spoken about the two entrenched camps-organized capital on the one side and organized labor on the other. They can't both win, and can't possibly exist without each other-unless in the dim future we shall see the creation of a vast system of national ownership dreamed of by Bellamy and others, when nobody will work for gain, but for the comm lot of all. A most interesting contribution to literature of this class, where the ains and virtues of both employer and employe are painted with unmistakable fidelity, comes in the shape of Mr. Scott's novel, "The Walking Dele-gate," describing phases of industrial war in the iron structural trade of New Fork City. The book is full to the brim with stern facts, and there is only one illustration, the frontispiece show-ing the face of the walking delegate, "Buck" Foley, labor leader and grafter. Another labor leader, Tom Keating, di-vides honors with him in doing things, but this pen creation-Keating-is a modern knight errant, a Sir Galahad

contractors for steel bridges and or consumption. frames, is Keating's employer, never to show approval of his workother of Diacoll's employes is Pig Iron Pete, and his mate Johnson says: "I don't see the good o' strikin'."

"Why?" demanded Pete. Well, I've been in the business longer'n t o' you boys, an' I win't found the bosses as bad as you make 'em out. When they're makin' more, they'll pay us more."

"Oh, you go tell that to a Sunday activation norted Pete. "D'you ever hear of a loss payin' more wager's he had to? Not much Them kind o' bosses 's all doin' business up in heaven. If we was actually earning twenty a day, d'you suppose we'd get a cent more'n three seventy-five, till licked the bosses? You do-hey? shows the kind of a nut you've get. boss 'ud a-buy a tutti-frutti yacht, or a few automobiles, or mebbe a college or where they learn you how to wear your pants turned up. But all the extra money you'd get wouldn't pay for the soap used by a Chinaman. If ever a boss offers you an extra dollar before you've licked him

Plain speaking, and of course, alto gether one sided. Pete was probably not educated to believe in the other side of the story. But what of "Buck" Foley? Here he is: "A tall, angular man, in a black overcoat, derby hat, etc. He stood, with hands in the pockets of his overcoat, smoking his cigar He had a face to hold one's look-lean and long; gray, quick eyes, set close together; high cheek bones, with the dull polish of bronze; a thin nose, with a vulturous droop; a wide, tight mouth; a great bone of a chin; a daring, in-cisive, masterful face." Foley remembered his father chiefly

from having carried a tin pail to a store around the corner where a red-faced man filled it and handed it back to him, over a high counter. Foley was first a newsboy, a sallor, a ward heeler and then a labor boss. In talking he invariably used the word "youse" for "you," and was never-unless asleepseen without a cigar in his mouth. The men in his union were paid \$3.75 per day, but that only meant for six or seven months in the year, when the weather graciously permitted the men to work among the lofty scaffolding of a sky-scraper. His men said: "Fole is so crooked now he can't lay straight in bed." But what did Poley care? He ruled by bulldozing, physical force swearing, and open graft. And he didn't care who knew it. His organ-ized gang voted down all feeble opposition at meetings of the union and the rank and file of the decent members did not attend. In Fo ley's absolutely Czar-like moments. when he did not hesitate to commit murder to sweep meddlers from his path, he was aided by his "entertainment committee," five men known as Henderson, Arkansas Number Kuffir Rill, Smokey and Hickey When Foley wanted to "remove" Keat ing because the latter had dared to run nst him as walking delegate, he called a meeting of the entertainment

called a meeting of the entertainment committee, saying:

"It's an easy job. Youse get him in a fight. He goes down. Youse do the business with your feet. Say ten apiece.

A wing, an' say two or three sints. Or a leg." The fire pieced the faithful discharge of their trust in a round of drinks, after they had "raised" their price as assessed to \$25 each.

Exerting is an idealist. This is his

seins to \$25 each.

Keating is an idealist. This is his one another. Yes, but do we?

In our trade we don't sverage more than One of the finely thoughtful chapters In our trade we don't average more than eix months' work a year, and we are paid less than \$700 a year. What can a man with a family do in New York on that? trade's dangerous. I think half of our men emphasis on the fact that Christ accepted are killed. . . Only the other day on the common pleasures of life and was a steel bridge near Pittsburg, a piece of not prevented from so doing by the fear

pelicans; following Audubon among the Florida keys; in the Cape Sable wilderness; the great Cuthbert rookery; on lonely bird key; scavengers of the South. Virginia bird homes of beach and marsh; the egret, in nature and fashion; to bird rock in an open boat; amid Northern spruces and sea-girt rocks; off Chatham bars; the shore patrol; northward with the shore-bird host; shore-bird loiters; South Carolina and Florida.

my in Education, by Dr. Ruric Nevel Roark. American Book Co., New York, It used to be the fond ambition of a Masachusetta statesman distinguished now dead: "When I grow up to be a man, I'll lick my schoolmaster, for he often licked me," Who has not longed for that blissful time when we should exult in the fullness of our strength, and when our muscles would be like whipcord? We thought then that our school eachers whipped us because they liked o do so. How little did we know that in that early stage we were being taught discipline, and that teachers have to earn discipline as much as we. This little book might have been known as "School Management," for it covers a large and varied field of educational acorm part of an educative school system that shall live, and discusses discipline with no uncertain sound.

Dr. Roark, who is dean of the Department of Pedagogy, Kentucky State Col lege, Lexington, Ky., gives a practical

T.TILD BUCK FOLEY THE WALKING DELEGATE

who achieved the quest of the Holy feet below. They landed on steel beams in Grail. death rate in our business means pneumonia That means exposure at mes, is Keating's employer, work Killed by our work . . . And we of Driscoli's principles was get 5700 a year. So long as we are strong never to show approval of his work-men's work. "Give em a smile and they'll do 10 per cent less and ask 10 per cent more," growled Driscoll. An-We've got to learn how to do something cise, or just wait for the end. Is \$700 a year enough, when we risk our lives every day we work-when we are fit for work only so long as we're young men." We're human

> The best, strongest writing in the book is where Foley forces a strike, and then sells the union by secretly accepting a bribe of \$50,000 from the employers' association to call off the How Keating discovers all this and unmasks the traitor before the union is of surging interest.

r. Scott ventures perilously near brink when he draws Keating-aman with a vulgar shrew for a wife-meeting a highly-bred, cultivated girl, Ruth Arnold, stenographer, a girl with rich relatives. Ruth only knows Keat-ing as a labor leader, and is not aware that he has a wife and child. Keating and Miss Arnold find they are twin mates, and in secret they find they are desperately in love with each other. What is to be the outcome? Is the author to conveniently kill off Mrs. Keating, or does he suggest such a vuigar, mundane thing as a divorce, so that the "twin souls" shall marry each other? Fortunately, Mr. Scott brushes aside the temptation, and the ending is moral yet cruel one. For Keating clings to the wife with whom he has not two thoughts in common, while Miss Arnold glides off like an unhappy

"The Walking Delegate"-it were idle to say it is one of the remarkable books of the season. It is a book that

The Christian Ministry, by Dr. Lyman Abbott, \$1.50, Houghton, Mifflin & Co., New

It is fashionable to ask: "Why don't people go to church?" Dr. Abbott asks: "Why do any people ever go to church?" His answer is given in this volume of 317 pages, and the kernel is that the church exists to serve men in the higher life and that its primary function is to inspire in men the spirit of love, but not organize, direct, or administer that e when it has been inspired. He argues that there are other organizations-Naonal, state and voluntary to carry out e requirements of that spirit whenever and wherever it exists. In other words pursue the idea farther, the church necessary to the higher, better life of the world, and there is practically no other institution which we can put in its place. It is a good place to go to, but the result depends on the minister and

Dr. Abbott thinks that a Christian church is a body of men and women who possess, in some degree, a perception of the Infinite in Jesus Christ and some Christlikeness of character, and who have united for the purpose of imparting to others that perception, and developing in others that character. What is the secret of all social well-being? "The individual life," answers our preacher. "The secret of all individual life is acquaintance with God and the supreme source of acquaintance with God is Jesus Christ." What is human nature? Dr. Abbott points to the character of Christ with the assurance-what he was every man can become. Is life worth living In a spirit of consecration, the answer comes: "As Christ iaid, down his life for

in this book is "The Ministry of Jesus Christ: The Substance of His Teaching." in which Dr. Abbott tells about a human Two hundred for rent, three hundred for food, one hundred for clothes. Twenty-five tents a day left for heat, light, education, bears, amusement, travel, stresters farenald to save for your old age. And then our fused an invitation to a feast, and lays emphasis on the fact that Christ accepted

for others; unless he possesses the of goddness, which knows the living God as a companion, a friend, a helper and Savier; unless he possesses the spillt hopefulness for himself and for his fello en, which enkindles for them and in them exhaustless and expectant aspiration.
All of which is far more rational than

the threats of dry-as-dust theology holding up punishment as a bogy. Dr. Ab-bott's views are worth every consideration and his arguments, presented with admirable skill, serve as a beacon-light

Wild Wings, being the adventures of a cam era-hunter among the wild birds of North America, by Herbert Kneightley' Job. \$3

Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston. It is not given to every writer to p ure the fascination which wild birds have for us, their grace and beauty, their fullness of abounding life, the in-terest of their nesting, the exhibitation of the quest which lures us into the open-and then place these in the form word pictures. This Mr. Job has cleverly done in "Wild Wings," accom-panied by 160 illustrations after photo graphs from life, by the author printing and book work are excellent in the whole 50 pages, and the book is just one which we like to see reposing on a parior table, ready to be read and dis-cussed several times, with ever-recurring charm. Such a subject is known to Portland people by reason of the success Portland people by reason of the success met with in the same field by Messrs. Bohiman and Finley.

As a fellow-Harvard man, Presiden toosevelt writes this preface for Mr. Job's book:

I must thank you for your exceedingly in-resting book. I have been delighted with , and I desire to express to you my sense the good which comes from such books yours, and from the substitution of the mera for the gun. The older I grow the ess I care to shoot anything except "var nints." I do not think it at all advisable hat the gun should be given up, nor does i that the gun should be given up, nor does it seem to me that shooting wild game under proper restrictions can be legitimately opposed by any who are willing that domestic animals should be kept for food. But there is altogether too much shooting, and if we can only get the camera in place of the gun and have the sportsman sunk some, hat in the naturalist and lover of wild things, the next generation will see an immense change for the better in the life of our woods and waters. But I am still something of a hunter, although a lover of wild nature of a hunter, although a lover of wild nature

"The enthustastic life of the outdoworld and keen delight in its free, wild state, is a scene instinct with life, writes Mr. Job. "Forth from the wash ashed cliff and over the heaving, restless deep fly the wild, hardy birds of the sea. As they launch into the cold breeze which sweeps over the lonely northern ocean and wheel off before it with careless abandon, uttering their shrill cries, which are softened in the undertone of the surf, strong wings make them masters of the elements. How I thrill as 1 watch them: No trace is here of man's vandalism-the wilderness of the scene man in love with his subject, a man who sponges, to see long ago, toology, botany takes his life in his hand when, with camera strapped to his back, he climbs and kindred nature sciences were classed with music and so-called dead languages. a lofty tree to picture mother love with music and so-called dead languages, watching over precious eggs reposing in a nest that is the wonder of human architects, or as he hugs a precipitous cliff to study eagle life. Mr. Job confesses that for years he has tried hunting and collecting but for genuine exciting sour collecting, but for genuine exciting sport he prefers hunting with the camera. It means hunting in season all the year round, when every living thing is proper game." Mr. Job also says that he once used both gun and camers, but, finding Book Company, New York. camera hunting the more interesting, he gradually lost the inclination to shoot. In the choice of a camera he recommends the size which employs a 4x3-inch plate. Here is Mr. Job's attractive

rigging snapped and ten men dropped 200 | that his example would be misinterpreted, | discussion of present day problems of edu-This is a liberal paragraph: cational administration, while admitting No man is a Christian minister, whatever that education as a science is in its inent in rural schols, Dr. Roark says: The fact remains that some children annot be made to respond to any higher notive than fear of a sound whipping. Such punishment is very rarely needed. but the bare possibility of it is often a wholesome deterrent, and no teacher can afford to let it be understood that the whipping is abolished." Shrewd advice. The style of the book is conversational, bright and clearly expressed.

Essentials of Latin, for beginners, by Henry Carr Pearson, 20 cents, American Book

Co., New York. Mr. Pearson is a Harvard man, and is ow of the Horace Mann School, Teachers' oliege, New York. His book of 316 pages is designed to prepare pupils in a thorough fashion to read Caesar's Gallic War, and contains 70 lessons, including ten that are devoted exclusively to reading, and six supplementary lessons. The features are: ected vocabularies, constant comparison

of English and Latin usage, a logical and conservative treatment of topics, a brief preparatory course, review exercises under ich lesson, and graded material for read-ig. The treatment of the whole book is ogical and entirely satisfactory. Illustrations are given of a Roman harbor and ships, a Roman procession, interior of a Roman house, a Roman school, etc. In one of these illustrations are given pic-tures of Roman soldiers, so clearly cut that the remark is again hazarded-is it curious why these faces of Romans of old should so strongly resemble the modern American face, a type of face only found on a continent thousands of her own children? Strange, that the modern German, French, or Russian face is entirely dissimilar.

Grammaire Francaise, for English-speaking students, by J. H. Worman, Ph. D., and A. De Rougemont, B. A. Revised by Louis , Arnold. American Book Company, New York.

An old friends in a new dress. of many teachers of French who have long used the book, and still think highly of it, but who feel that changes should be made to fit changed conditions. The subjunctive is presented fully, and a few helpful pages are given to a statement of the uses of the different tenses of the indicative. Eighteen exercises treat of ry. In the 197 pages French is ex-usively used, and the plan followed is alcalated to make the student work all the harder. An admirable grammar, Mr. Arnold is head of the modern language department, Central High School, Spring-

Charles Frederick Holder, American Book

Company, New York.

Mr Holder is previously favorably known from his "Elements of Zoology," "Stories of Animal Life," "Life of Louis andalism—the wilderness of the scene night well have been matched at Creation's dawn." These are the words of a control of the subject, a man who is love with his subject, a man who sponges, corals, shells, insects and crustation. Not very long ago, zoology, botany nature study in some form should be continuous in school life. The book is profusely illustrated, and is a valuable

these adaptions is to "simplify them by excluding from them the elements of unpleasantness and discoursiveness which the original works, and thereby e them intelligible and enjoyable to the childish mind." The main thread of each story is carefully followed, and the little book will doubtless content the audience for which it was intended. But it does not have the Dickens ring with so many original passages omitted which so many original passage.

Dickens students almost know by heart.

Mrs. Easington, the romance of a house party in California, by Eather and Lucia Chamberlain. The Century Company, New York.

When the novels of a season are called "Mrs. Essington" will stand for fine descriptions of the whims of a widow the new sport of hawking; owl secrets, and adventures with great horned owls. The territory covered by the book ranges the more. There are no poor people in it, (sod, not grass), golf a cross-country run from the Magdalen Islands, in the Guif and all the characters are so well groomed of St. Lawrence, on the north, to the and either have so much money or expec-Fiorida keys and the Dry Tortugas on tations that they look as if they had just the south, and includes excursions in stepped out of Christy's or Dana Gibson's Nova Scotia, New England, Virginia, sketches.

Esther and Lucia Chamberlain, authors of "Mrs. Essington," were born in California, and have spent much of their life there. Esther Chamberlain was one of the first women in New York to make a profession of supplying illus-trative advertising matter. Lucia Chamberlain has contributed a number of short stories and poems, chiefly of the Califorcountry, to different magazines. In the Spring of 1906 the sisters began to work together, producing first "The Blue Moon," a novelette which was published in Ainslee's. "Mrs. Essington" was writ-ten during the Winter of 1903-1904, begun in California and finished in Arizona while the authors were stopping in a Moqui Indian village,

The book is elegantly bound, it is dainty and just the sort to take to the seaside or mountain at the beginning of one's vacation, when a rosy view of things is needed. Mrs. Essington is a charming person whom it is a pleasure to know. She is not the type of a widow who spends the remainder of her life weeping for her dear departed with one eye and ogling his successor with the other. No. She loves a composer who has more music about him than money, and she finally decides not to marry him because she is afraid of the future—when he will be a young husband and she an elderly, unromantic woman. The other woman, who captured the composer, is a juvenile Diana, an out-of-doors creature, Julia Budd. "Julia was s. Her hair, crystalled with mist, off her forchead in a glistening That dark, back-brushed nimbus hatless. gave the suggestion of some great, fine lady of another-day. The magnificent sweep of her black brows seemed to dress her forehead. The blood of her vigorou body burned in her crimson cheeeks and lips. She moved in an atmosphere of vital energy. She dominated the room Somebody asked who was Mrs. Essing A friend answered: "Oh, she's Kitty Wykoff's daughter. Kitty married

her to some Englishman-a wretch. She's lived in England for years." A bon mot: "The reputation for wit hangs on the things a man has said, and the things you hope he'll presently say. He's like the 'white queen' in what's-its-name-jam yesterday, jam tomorrow, but never jam today. A rich New Yorker asked Mrs. Essing-

ton why she should not marry him. You offer me an active life in the world, but I am through with my activities," she replied, "Perhaps I have lived through things too quickly. But I know I like you too much to cheat you, which I should do if

married you. I can't-I can't do it." "Is this the last word." he said, half risen. She modded, her eyes full of tears, "Good-

Essentials in American History, by Dr. Albert Bushnell Hart. The American Book Co. New York.

This is one of the most up-to-date and emplete American histories published and cannot fall to meet commendation. Dr. Hart is professor of history at Harard University and is well qu scholarship, reputation, experience sympathy to write a history that will live. His book of over 600 pages, and No man is a Christian minister, whatever his eccessionical ordination, and however this eccessionical ordination, and however the control of the constant passessions, and measures all things by their spiritual values, unless he possesses the spirit of righteous, ness, which counts life an opportunity for pervice, and no life well spent which is not speed for others; unless he possesses the spirit of responses the speed of the community. As to corporal punding the control of the community and that no final word can now be written in any department of it. He tells of the organization and management of the speed the individual school and community, the individual school and community. When the school and community can not be written in any department of it. He tells of the organization and management of the individual school and school system of the individual school and community. The individual school and community the individual school and community the individual school and community. The individual school and community the individual school and community the individual school and community. The individual school and community the individual school and community the individual school and community. The individual school and community the written in any department of it. He tells book of over 600 pages, and splendidly illustrated, brings up our history through the Spanish war to the community that the individual school and community the individual school and community the individual school and community to a school and community to an individual school and community to an individual school and community to a school and community to a school and community to a school and community to an individual school and community to a school and community to an individual school and community to a school and community. The individual school and community to a school and community to his epitomized account of that struggle being most valuable. He lays emphasis on the principle of "an indestructible Union composed of indestructible states," and with considerable skill he explains the financial agitation following the sil-

His views are sound and sane, just the sort to give strength and conviction to young students. Dates and names, unless attractively presented in a history, become a cause of weariness, but Dr. Hart has done his task so well that the interest he stirs never flags. His chapter on economic and social issues, from 1865 to 1897, affecting transportation, tariff and growth of corporations, ought to be closely read. The maps showing the growth of this country with the dates on which the various states were received into the Union are most interesting.

Selections From Roman Law, by Dr. James J. Robinson. The American Book Co.,

Scholars are agreed that of all peoples of antiquity the Romans displayed the greatest political and legal genius, and that Rome's most enduring monument and greatest contribution to the modern world is her jurisprudence. In the pres-ent book of 304 pages, Dr. Robinson, formerly instructor in Latin, Yale Univer-sity, has written "Selections from the Public and Private Law of the Romans," with a commentary to serve as an intro-duction to the subject, and has done his only found on a continent thousands of miles from the land that called Romans authorities he has consulted are numerous and representative. His intention is to present to students of Latin a selection of texts-in Latin-gathered from a field worthy of study, by those who would broaden their view of Roman life and institutions, as well as by those who would extend their acquaintance with the Latin language beyond the confines of the authors usually read in a college course. Dr. Robinson has not made an attempt given largely in response to the desire in the selections to present the haw of many teachers of French who have any one period. In the texts are given laws relating to freemen and slaves, guar dianahlp, acquisition of property, the law of things, the law of inheritance, contracts-in short, the eternal principles that now form the chief part of the laws of modern nations,

some events or character in French his- History and Government of the United States, for Evening Schools, by William Estabrook Chancellor. The American Estabrook Chancellor. Book Co., New York.

It is a remarkable fact that many for eigners have entered city evening schools in Eastern states, within a day or two after their arrival on our shores. these, few have practical ideas about America or her history. This condensed history by Mr. Chancellor, who is superintendent of public instruction, Paterson, N. J., is a welcome contribution. His work is admirable, and he has placed just the right sort of emphasis in describing historical periods. He is fair in his treat ment of such subjects regarding which new arrivals in this country have perplexing ideas, and at the beginning of his book does not waste time discussing prehistoric days, but at once plunges into a sensible review of our country and its resources. The pictures shown are very

membered as having achieved distinction by boasting that he had never introduced into his plays a woman in love. His "Prometheus" is not an allegory, but a poem in the purest sense of the word. In the present volume, the poem is carefully edited, accompanied by notes which have been prepared with infinite care. Professor Harry is the professor of Greek in the University of Cincinnati.

Das Amulett, an historical novel written in German, by Conrad Ferdinand Meyer, with troduction, notes, and vocabulary by C. Glascock. American Book Co., New York.

Those who wish to read this historical ovel in the original German, written by Herr Meyer, who was born in Switzerland in 1825 and died in 1826-this is an op-portunity. In "Das" Amulett," Hans Schadai, a Bernese Protestant, depicts the closing events in the life of the great French Hugenot, Admiral Coligny, whose secretary he had been, and vividly de-lineates the massacre of St. Bartholomew. More than one critic has remarked that n Meyer's writings a fondness for the gruesome is apparent, and it is very ticeable in "Das Amulett." Mr. Glascock, who has done his work well, is instructor in German in the Sheffield Scientific School, Yale University.

Millions of Mischlef, by Headen Hill. \$1.50. The Smalfield Publishing Company, Akron.

An English novel, protraying a daring attempt to kill Lord Alphington, Prime Minister of Great Britain. The Instru ment the conspirators select is Arthur Rivington, who, at the opening of the story, is condemned to die on a false charge that he had poisoned his mother and sister. Out of such material, the author has woven the thread of a sinster. yet striking story, enlightened by devo-tion of a sweetheart. The title, "Millions of Mischlef," is taken from "Julius Caesar," act 4 scene 1. The 312 pages are filled to the brim and running over with sensational, rapid-fire action. There are four illustration

The Fairy Render, adapted from Grimm a Anderson, by James Baldwin. Hiustrated, The American Book Co., New York.

Children who have completed half of th regular work of the first year grade, and who have learned to read with commendable fluency in any standard first reader, will have no difficulty in master-ing these fairy tales, as the language used by Grimm and Anderson has been changed to a simpler style, to suit the needs for which this it is book was intended. The print is excellent.

IN LIBRARY AND WORKSHOP

A. S. Barnes & Co. announce an Australian edition of "The Wanderers," by Henry C. Bowland.

John Luther Long, the author of "Madame Butterfty," has completed the manuscript of a volume of short stories.

A Canadian edition of "Partners of the Tide," Joseph C Lincoln's new novel, is be-

ing bought out by a Toronto firm, John Luther Long, the author of "Mad-

ame Butterfly," has completed the manu-script of a volume of short stories, which the Macmillan Company have in preparation for early issue, . . . "The Flying Lesson; Ten Sonnets; Two Conzoni; Double Sestini, From Petrarch," by Agnes Tobin. It is published in London by William Heinemann and in San Francisco by

"Concrete Steel: A Treatise on the Theory and Practice of Reinforced Concrete Con-struction," by W. Noble Twelvetrees, is an-nounced for imme liate lesse. The volume is illustrated with many diagrams and tables.

Paul Elder & Co.

Ames R. Wells, managing editor of The Christian Endeavor World, has just completed a new work on the subject of the unification of denominations, entitled, "That They All May Be One," which will be published in the Pail.

Longmans, Green & Co. have just pub-lished a new novel by Rev. Mr. Sheeban, au-thor of "My New Curate." It is entitled and like his other books it deals with Irish life in an intimate and thought ful way.

Diplomat's Wife," has already been put into a second edition by Charles Scribner's Sons. and seems likely to be as successful as "The Letters of a Diplomat's Wife," which is now in its eighth edition.

Mme. Waddington's "Italian Letters of a

One of the conspicuous figures in school li-brary work, Rev. Judson Shaw, late field secretary of the Young Citizens' League, has completed a popular book describing the larger features of our National life, entitled Uncle Sam and His Children.

Dr. S. Weir Mitchell denies the authorsh of "The House of Carda," a recent story Philadelphia life, which had been attribut to him by several of the leading papers. Though has also been attributed to another ditinguished Philadelphian, Owen Wister.

"The Celebrity," by Winston Churchi which made a considerable stir at the time of its original issue in 1807, appears this week in a large edition—its 23d—in paper covers. Last week's issue in the Macmillan paper novel series was Robert Herrick's "The Real World."

. . . "The Italian Letters of a Diplomat's has met with the same success as did the first book of Madame Waddington, "The Let-ters of a Diplomat's Wife." "The Italian first book of Madame Wandington, Inc. Letters of a Diplomat's Wife." The Italian Letters" are already in their second edition at the same time that the "Letters of a Diplomat's Wife" has gone into the eighth edition.

. . . ished some new stories for McClure's Magazine, is spending the Summer in the California mountains, in the service of the United States Government, and also hopes to get a shot at bear. A new edition of his first book, "The Claim Jumpers," is

Soft and beautiful pictures of Beitway-Coed, Lianberts, Llandudno, Carnarvon, and other of the lovellest parts of Wales form the illustrations of the volume on "Wales," just published. Edward Thomas' book, full of lively and racy impressions of the country, is illustrated by 75 paintings by Robert Fowler, reproduced in color.

The Macmillan Company are to be th lishers in this country of "Black's Medical Dictionary," a volume of approximately the size of "The Statesman's Year-Book," but size of 'The Statesman's rear-noon, our not so thick. It will be a fairly complete compendium of diseases and matters per-taining to medicine and surgery, presented in popular form and fully illustrated.

"In the Days of Milton, a Picture Life and Times," is the title of Mr. Tudor Jenks' forthcoming book in "The Lives of Great Writers" series, a series which is find ing much favor in college and high school ing much gaver in college and high school study of English literature, as well as with the general public. Mr. Jenks new book will be uniform with his "Chaucer," which has been recently published in England, and his "Shakespeare."

The Century Company reports as among the best selling books Alice Hegan Rice's "Sands" and Dr. S. Weir Mitchell's "Con-stance Trescott." It may be noted that stance Trescott." It may be noted that the practice of informing the public as to the number of copies sold seems to have been generally discarded by publishers. We hear much of new editions, by which is meant new "printings," but as to the size of the editions nothing is said,

"Barbara," the author of "The Garden of a nuter's Wife," "People of the Whirl-and "The Woman Errant," books pool" and "The Woman Errant," books which have delighted a very large number of readers, has made a new departure in her new novel which the Macmillan Company will publish in July. "At the Sign of the Fox." as the new story is called, is described as a romance with a distinctly strong plot, having the praise of work as its underlying motive.

nature study in some form should be continuous in school life. The book is profusely illustrated, and is a valuable one in its special line.

David Copperfield and Oliver Twist, retold by Annie Douglas Severance. American Book Company, New York.

This is part of the child's Dickens. "David Copperfield" is condensed into 72 pages, and "Oliver Twist" into 87 pages, and "Oliver Twist" into 88 pages, and "Oliver Twist" into 89 pages, and "Oliver Tw

was a man of infinite accomplishments; above was a man of infinite accomplianments, above all, a musician, with a fine voice. Often to entertain his court he used to sing native songs to his own accompaniment on the native instrument, the eukalele. Though Mrs. Strong admits there may have been some basis for the stories of his drinking, she feels that they have exaggeratedly belied him.

"The Hebrew Prophet," by the Rev. Loring W. Batten rector of St. Mark's Cliffreh, New York, will be published shortly. The book is described as a brief statement of the origin, development and phenomena of Hebrew prophety, a divine institution established to foster the moral and spiritual growth of the people of Israel. Its conclusions are the fruit of modern scholarship, but at the same time they are conserve, but at the same time they are conserva tive and constructive

An artistic treat is the current number of the Burlington Magazine, the American publisher of which is Robert Grier Cooke, of New York. This magazine is for connoiseurs, and principally tells once a month in a dignified way what is going on in the world of art, but not from a purely news point of view. The plate illustrations are of high class excellence and the paper used is superb. Petrucci gives a most interesting article on Constantin Meunier, the artist.

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The Funk & Wagnalls Company have just The Funk & Wagnails Company have just published the 19th volume of the great "Jewish Encyclopedia," which will be completed by November by the appearance of two more volumes. The entire work will contain over 8000 pages and about 2000 pictures. Over 8000 editure and collaborators have been employed upon this great work of reference, the cost of which has been about \$250,000. The 10th volume, which comprises 1182 topics, extends from Phillipson to Samoscz.

There is an important addition to litera-ture in the July issue of "Success Magazine" in the first of a series of six complete de-tective stories by Alfred Henry Lewis, the well-known author of the "Wolfville" books. Mr. Lewis' central figure is Inspector Val. the prototype of one of the most successful well-known author of the "Wolfville" books. Mr. Lewis 'central figure is inspector val. the prototype of one of the most successful of the younger detectives of the Contral Office force of New York City, and several of Mrs Lewis stories are based on some things that have actually happened. His first story is entitled. The Mystery of Washington is entitled, Square,"

A very attractive deaf-mute is one of the characters in Charles Egbert Craddock's new novel, "The Storm Center," which the Macmillan Company are about to publish. This little girl of 8 years, far from allowing iffe infirmity to hamper her development or her energies, is so full of life and self-confidence and employs so cleverly her naturally bright mind, that she is really more intelligent than other children of her age. She plays an important part in the trial of Baynell, and in the love between the Federal captain and the Southern beauty.

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In the recent ocean yacht race, James B. Connoily, author of "On Tybes Knoil," which has just been published, seemed to have a much harder voyage than his brother author, Henry C. Rowland, whose "Wanderers" has also recently seen the light. Mr. Connoily on the Fleur de Lys experienced a succession of storms throughout the trip across. The yacht was driven by a discuester skipper and for two days the passengers were kept helow deck and members of the crew narrowly escaped being washed overboard. Doubtless the author of "On Tybee Knoil" will profit in a literary sense by his experience.

It is interesting to note the attention given to an American expositor of recent science by the leading scientists abroad in the case of Professor R. K. Duncan's remarkable book. The New Knowledge, just published by A. S. Barnes & Co. Of this book M. Becquerel, the great French scientist, has just written: "The New Knowledge is abreast of the newest ideas evolved from the study of radio-activity, and I felicitate Professor Duncan on the manner in which he has condensed for the reader the subject matter of the whole science."

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E. Phillips Oppenheim's latest romance,
"The Master Hummer," is brought into the
whirl of current events by the elopement
scandal that lately upset one of the royal
circles of the German empire, according to a
New York critic, who says: "Like the unfortunate Princess in real life, the Princess
of Waldenburg had a profound conviction
of the inalienable right of a woman to live
out her life to its fullest capacity," which
means that she fell in love with an actor,
the "Master Hummer" (instead of a music
master) and did not, any more than her
actual prototype, shrink from the sequel."

Harold MacGrath, whose popular novels, "The Man on the Box" and "The Princess Blopes," are selling well, was at his club recently, dining with several financiers. The gentleman at the right understood his name when he was introduced, but falled to associate it with the greased-lightning novelist. The taik, of course, was money, and was interesting. The need of capital for huge enterprises was the mainspring. MacGrath spoke up to his right-hand neigh

"Yea, money is always necessary. I need it in my business, too." "Pardon me. Mr. MacGrath, but what is your business"."

"Spending it," said Mr. MacGrath.

Had the Russians been as agile with their hands and feet as with their tongues, the Japs might have had to wage a more diffult war. As many symbols of mysterious contingency as in the Welsh speech, have gone to frame the fearful symmetry of Rus gone to frame the fearful symmetry of Russian. Prince Kropotkn's recent book, "Russian Literature," gives in its table of contents a good sample of proper names. Imagine a Russian rollcall, or an order in lattie, with names like "Tehernyshevskip" and "Hvoochinskaya." Ferhaps these reach a letter or two less in the Russian script. Prince Kropotkin has followed throughout in his book the French system of spelifling. It this system which to the irritation of is this system which, to the irritation some Russian specialists has established in English "Tartars" instead of "Tatars" and "Siberia" instead of "Ciberia."

An English correspondent writes the publishers suggesting that the brilliant author of "The Yellow War" (McClure-Phillips), who conceals himself under the nom deplume "O." is Captain James, the well-known war correspondent of the Lendon Times. This would account for the intimate knowledge which the book displays of the Japanese war both on land and sea, for Captain James organized and directed the dispatch boat Haimun, which, equipped with wireless telegraphy and American operators, built up a great journalistic record last Summer in the yellow war. Captain James, who is a young man just over 30, is credited with having seen more varied fighting than any other man of his age. His record includes five campaigns—on the Indian frontier, the Karthoum expedition, South Africa, Macedonia, and the Far East, on both sea and land. He will be most familiar to American readers as the author of the series of articles on the American Army and West Point, which appeared in the London Times.

The Nurses' Journal of the Pacific Coast, a quarterly magazine, published from 140 Fern avenue, San Francisco, has been received. It meets a long-needed want, is filled with valuable and seasonable information to those interested and ought to have a sure future. Those in charge of the magazine hope through its influence to aid much in the improvement of training schools for nurses on the Pacific Coast by interesting the general public in up-to-date methods approved by practical experience, and to keep nurses in this section of the country in touch with such progress here and elsewhere. Several of the articles are: "Evolution of the Train-The Nurses' Journal of the Pacific Coast, & of the articles are: "Evolution of the Train of the articles are: "Evolution of the Training School," "Meat," "Nursing Among the Chinese of San Francisco," "Alcohol, Its Use and Abuse," "The Hourly Nurse as a Surgical Specialist." Accompanying are personal and news matters, announcements of marriages and lists of new members. A quotation is given on page 198 from ex-Empress Eugenie: "Life is hard—nevertheless the great thing is courage. Give courage to others. It is better than money. Courage springs from love, and love has been called the greatest thing on earth." the greatest thing on earth.

The New York State Library has prepared The New York State Library has prepared a classified list of the 85 best books published in America last year for a viliage library. Of the 85 books, the following 17 are published by the Macmilian Company: "The 81n of David." by Stephen Phillips; "Getting Acquainted With the Trees," by J. Horace McFarland; "The Fat of the Land." by Dr. John W. Streeter; The History of American Music." by Louis C. Elson; "The Adventures of Elizabeth in Rugen," by the author of "Elizabeth and Her German The Adventures of Elizabeth in Rugen," by
the author of "Elizabeth and Her German
Garden:" "Japan: An Attempt at Interpretation," by Lafradio Hearn: "Highways and
Byways of the South," by Clifton Johnson;
"History of the United States of America."
by Henry W. Elson: "Theodore Roosevelt,
the Cliffren," by Jacob A. Riis; "Reminiscences of Peace and War," by Mrs. Roger
A Pror. "Thomas Nast: His Period and A. Pryor; "Thomas Nast: His Period and His Pictures," by Albert Bigelow Paine