

BOOK TABLE.

[Under this head we will be pleased to give editorial reviews of all books and tracts of interest that may be sent to this office.]

MEMOIR AND RIME, by Joaquin Miller.—A most delightful mingling of sketches of travel, stories, and poems. In "Notes from an Old Journal" there are given delicious bits of experience in New York City, in the Franco-Prussian war, at a tea-party given by the English poet, Rossetti, etc. The stories and sketches are of Western life, told with the humor and pathos for which the author has long been noted. The "Rhymes for the Right" are in Mr. Miller's most fervent and vigorous vein. "In Memoriam" gives some recollections of men and events which occupy a prominent place in history. The volume does not contain a page, but is brimful of interest. California, Colorado, and especially Oregon, are drawn upon for a fund of interesting anecdote and reminiscences. The author writes of a life he knows thoroughly, and with the pen of genius. Publishers, FUNK & WAGNALLS, 10 and 12 Dey St., N. Y.

Reputation with posterity has ever been esteemed one of the most powerful incentives to deeds of heroism; and one modern school of philosophy recognizes as the only true immortality of man, the enduring beneficent influence of his virtuous actions. If, however, the fabric of our civilization were seen to be tottering, it is plain that this particular stimulus to virtue would fail. But "Is our Civilization Perishable?" The question is asked in the *North American Review* for March, by Judge J. A. Jameson, who considers the several agencies by which effected. In the same number of the *Review* there is an article of extraordinary interest on "Agricultural Politics in England," by William E. Bear, editor of the *Mark Lane Express*. Other articles are "Literary Resurrectionist," by Charles T. Congdon; "How to Improve the Mississippi," by Robert S. Taylor; and "The Constitutionality of Repudiation," by D. H. Chamberlain and John S. Wise. Published at 80 Lafayette Place, New York.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's father, I. M. Butler, in Independence, Or., Feb. 26, 1884, Mr. E. W. Cooper and Miss Ella Butler. Neal Cheatham officiating. The evening reception, at the residence of J. S. Cooper, was very enjoyable. With music, refreshments, and gifts to the newly wedded, all went merry as—you should have been there—a marriage bell.

By Elder Jos. B. Royal, at his residence, in Vermont, Illinois, Feb. 13, 1884, Mr. W. T. Hopkins and Miss Mary Switzer—both of Astoria, Ill.

Epilepsy of Nine Years.

"I thank the giver of all good gifts," writes J. N. Marshall, of Granby, Newton Co., Mo., "for giving me Samaritan Nervine. It cured my daughter's epileptic fits, of 9 years standing." Get at druggists. \$1.50.

OBITUARY.

CHRISTIAN, TEXAS, Feb. 8, 1884.

Died, near Christian, Palo Pinto county, Texas, of inflammation of the bowels, Feb. 2, 1884, aged one year and three months and a half, Rosa, the only daughter of Bro. T. L. and Sister M. C. Childers. Little Rosa was taken sick very suddenly on the 26th of January, and after seven days of intense suffering she departed this life.

Little Rosa thou hast left us
In this world of sin and pain,
And thy sweet and joyous laughter
We shall never hear again.

Happy were thy childish days,
As you prattled round our feet,
May thy future home be fairer,
Where we all expect to meet.

"Earth tis true hath friends to greet us,"
But none we loved so dear:
Now that you are with the angels
We should not wish you here.

Bring thee back! we would not do it
To this world of sin and woe,
For we know you're happier far
Than we are that wait below.

May thy rest be calm and sweet
While you wait for those below,
May we strive with all our might
To meet thee when we go.

What a change a week can bring
And how sad it was for all,
When but seven days of sickness
You obeyed the angels call.

You are not lost but only gone,
Where we all must shortly go,
For this is but a world of sorrow
While we journey here below.

Now fare thee well our darling Rosa
And haste the time to come,
When we all will follow after
To our eternal home.

WM. ELMER RUSSELL.

The Story of a Great Discovery.

There appeared not long since, in the *Chicago Weekly Inter-Ocean*, a remarkable article with the above title, occupying nearly five columns of that able journal. It describes very clearly and with great particularity the inception, development, and successful result of an effort by a thoroughly educated and intelligent American physician to discover an element, or combination of elements in nature which would, without a resort to drug-medication, cure diseases through a restoration of weakened or exhausted nerve and life forces to their normal condition. The scientific aspect of the discovery is so clearly explained in the article that both the learned and the unlearned can see the basis of facts and legitimate deductions upon which to rest. Many of the practical results already obtained through the use of this new vitalizing substance, and in cases of the most desperate character, where all remedies had failed and the most skillful physicians found themselves at fault, are given in the article, and its high value as a health-restorer testified to by individuals well and honorably known throughout the country, who have in their own persons proved its wonderful healing powers.

The paper referred to is written calmly, and presents the whole subject in a way to arrest attention and bring conviction to almost any one who can reason from known facts and natural laws, and weigh evidence with impartiality. In

order to give the article a still wider circulation than it obtained through the source in which it first reached the public, it has been printed in a neat pamphlet and will be mailed by Starkey & Palen, 1109 Girard Street, Philadelphia, to any one who will drop them a letter or postal card.

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"I cannot do much," said a little star,
"To render the dark world bright;
My silvery beams will not struggle far,
Through the folding gloom of night;
But I'm only part of God's great plan,
So I'll cheerfully do the best I can."

"What can be the use," said a fleecy cloud,
"Of these few drops that I hold?
"They will scarcely bend the lily proud
If caught in her cup of gold;
But I, too, am part of God's great plan,
So my treasures I'll give as well as I can."

A child went merrily forth to play,
But a thought, like a silver thread,
Kept winding in and out all day
Through the happy golden head:
Mother said "Darling, do all you can,
For you are a part of God's great plan."

She knew no more than the glancing star,
Or the cloud with its chalice full,
How, why, or for what all strange things were,

She was only a child at school;
But she thought "It is part of God's great plan,
That even I should do all that I can."

So she helped another child along
When the road was rough to the feet,
And she sang from her heart a little song,

That we all thought passing sweet;
And her father, a weary, toil-worn man,
Said "I too, will do the best I can."

Our best! O children, the best of us all
Must hide our faces away,
When the Lord of the vineyard comes to look

At our task at the close of day:
But for strength from above ('tis the Master's plan)
We'll pray and we'll do the best that we can.

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