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serve, although he deserved no death, he was condemned by virtue of the Emperor's decree, made in the assembly at Augsburg, and, upon the same, brought forth to the place of execution, was there tied to the stake, and then strangled first by the hangman, and afterwards with fire consumed in the morning, at the town of Filford A.D. 1536; crying thus at the stake with a fervent zeal and loud voice, 'Lord! open the King of England's eyes!'

The very next year, Tyndale's Bible, in the completed form of his friend John Rogers, was actually licenced by Henry VIII. through Cromwell's dexterous management. It was received with enthusiastic joy by Archbishop Cranmer and the reforming bishops, and even Bonner, Bishop of London, was obliged to sanction its issue. A revision was almost immediately begun, which ended in the publication in 1539 of what is known as the Great Bible.

So lived and died this truly noble man. His influence still lives in every one of the millions of copies of the English Bible that are abroad in the world. There is in his character a majestic simplicity, an entire self-sacrifice, an absolute devotion to duty, a lofty courage, a calm perseverance, a quiet dignity, a wonderful thoroughness, a humble likeness to Christ, that places him in the very highest rank of the heroes of the Christian Church.

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WILLIAM SINCLAIR.

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## Short Notices.

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*The Sunday at Home.* Vol. for 1895. Pp. 812. Price 7s. 6d. R.T.S.

**T**HIS delightful volume is a welcome addition to many a home library. The coloured illustrations are even more beautiful than ever, particularly the frontispiece from Mr. Grace's picture "October's Biting Frosts." The series called "The Story of the Faith" is most useful; and that on "Sunday in East London" throws great light on one of the most important problems of the age: How to bring Christianity home to the masses of the Metropolis. Biography, poetry, the Bible, Scripture studies, serial stories, sketches from life, talks with workers, and the Monthly Record, fill up a volume which in its special purpose it would be difficult to surpass.

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Here, again, we have fascinating illustrations, and a variety of valuable matter.

There are seventeen Biographies, Rambles in Japan, New Oxford, Second Thoughts, Second Thoughts on Books, South American Papers, Tales and Sketches, the Electric Telegraph, papers on Home Life, the Settlements of London, and Natural History, besides a wide and instructive series of varieties.

We cordially wish these volumes the widest possible circulation.

*Merrieland's Farm.* By L. B. WALFORD. Pp. 241. S.P.C.K.

This popular authoress has turned her attention to English rural life in Cheshire. The contrast between modern town agnostic folk and the pure life and faith of the unsophisticated country-side is admirably drawn. But Mrs. Walford must not make an English farmer say "Hoots, toots!" That is purely Scotch. It is a healthy and charming story.

*Randolph Caldecott's Painting Book.* Price 1s. S.P.C.K.

This is a delightful selection of Randolph Caldecott's best pictures for the young, printed in colours on one page, with outlines for colouring on the opposite, which is of prepared paper.

The educational value of this book in cultivating the eye of children for form and colour is very considerable.

*John Horden.* By A. B. BUCKLAND. Pp. 141. Price 1s. 6d. Sunday-School Union.

This contains the life of a good man told in an interesting and attractive manner.

*Augustine and his Companions.* By the BISHOP OF STEPNEY. Pp. 201. Price 1s. 6d. S.P.C.K.

The Bishop of Stepney is an acknowledged authority upon the period he writes of in this interesting little book.

*The Last Load Home.* By the Rev. J. R. VERNON. Pp. 256. Price 3s. 6d. R.T.S.

These graceful little essays on rural life are prettily illustrated.

*Steps through the Stream.* By MARGARET SIMPSON. Pp. 112. Price 1s. James Nisbet.

A very helpful series of short morning readings for a month.

*Gertrude's Lover.* By CHRISTABEL COLERIDGE. Price 1s. S.P.C.K.

Miss Coleridge is so well known as a writer for girls that it is only necessary to say that her reputation is maintained by this pleasant little story.

*Our Little Ones.* By the Rev. WALTER SENIOR. Pp. 69. Price 1s. 6d. Home Words Office.

This little book contains some well-thought-out hints to parents.

*Stories of the Coal Mine.* By FRANK MUNDELL. Pp. 160. Price 1s. 6d. Sunday-School Union.

This is another of Mr. Mundell's excellent series, containing various accounts of incidents which thrilled the nation through the columns of the newspaper, at the time they took place, and which thoroughly deserve to be recorded in more permanent form, and brought to the notice of the young people of England.

*The Child Jesus.* By the late Dr. ALEXANDER MACLEOD. Pp. 270. Price 3s. 6d. Hodder and Stoughton.

It is not everybody who has the gift of speaking to children; but it was possessed in an eminent degree by the late Dr. Alexander Macleod. The volume consists of thirty-five admirable addresses, or papers, and is

a suitable Christmas gift either for those who have to teach children or children themselves. The beautiful binding in white and gold is appropriate to the subject.

*Stories of the Royal Humane Society.* By FRANK MUNDELL. Pp. 160. Price 1s. 6d. Sunday-School Union.

As the population of Great Britain have developed in a small group of islands constantly swept by storms, they have probably become more accustomed to the sea and more adventurous than any other race. Accidents are constantly happening, and the courage of our people never fails to display itself in heroic acts of rescue. Mr. Mundell has collected some of the most striking of these, and presented them in a popular manner to the boys of the day.

*The Pirate Slaver.* By HARRY COLLINGWOOD. Pp. 384. S.P.C.K.

A thrilling story of British combat against the slave trade on the West African Coast, with evidently familiar knowledge of the conditions and circumstances of such an enterprise.

*The Parish District Visiting Book.* By the Rev. J. PARRY. Pp. 90. Price 1s. 6d. Allenson.

A convenient book for the records of visits and lists of sick and communicants has long been desired. Mr. Parry, a successful and experienced clergyman in North and East London, where both his parishes have been admirably organized, has provided a very useful and handy companion. There are two pages of excellent guidance, advice, and information for the district visitor or the young clergyman.

#### MAGAZINES.

We have received the following (January) magazines :

*The Thinker, The Expository Times, The Religious Review of Reviews, The Review of the Churches, The Anglican Church Magazine, The Church Missionary Intelligencer, The Evangelical Churchman, The Church Sunday-School Magazine, Blackwood, The Cornhill, Sunday Magazine, The Fireside, The Quiver, Cassell's Family Magazine, Good Words, The Leisure Hour, Sunday at Home, The Girl's Own Paper, The Boy's Own Paper, Light and Truth, The Church Worker, The Church Monthly, The Church Missionary Gleaner, Light in the Home, Awake, India's Women, The Parish Helper, Parish Magazine, The Bible Society's Gleanings for the Young, The Bible Society's Monthly Reporter, The Zenana, The Cottager and Artisan, Friendly Greetings, Little Folks, Our Little Dots, The Child's Companion, Boy's and Girl's Companion, The Children's World, Daybreak, Day of Days, Home Words, and Hand and Heart.*



#### THE MONTH.

THE Rev. Arthur Frederic Clarke, Vicar of Cockerham, near Garstang, has been appointed by the Bishop of Manchester to the archdeaconry of Lancaster, in succession to the Ven. Archdeacon Hornby, resigned.

The Bishop of Bath and Wells has conferred the archdeaconry of Bath, vacant by the death of Archdeacon Browne, who had held the office since 1860, upon the Rev. Hilton Bothamley, Vicar of St. Stephen, Lansdown, Walcot, Bath, and a prebendary in Wells Cathedral. The new Archdeacon took a First Class from Trinity College, Cambridge, in the Theological Tripos in 1861, and was Scholefield and Carus prizeman and Crosse theological scholar of the University.