

Editor's Table.

Publishers will confer a favor by mentioning the prices of all books sent to this Department.

From the Harpers (through the Lippincotts) we have the second of the three volumes of Draper's HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR. It shows no mean powers of narration, and a breadth of grasp in comprehending the philosophy of the subject, which eminently fit its author for the post of a popular historian.

From the same firms comes Mr. S. S. Randall's FIRST PRINCIPLES OF POPULAR EDUCATION AND PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, a book which makes us glad that its author occupies the responsible position of "Superintendent of the Public Schools of the City of New York."

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The Presbyterian Board of Publication have issued a new edition of John Angell James' AN EARNEST MINISTRY THE WANT OF THE TIMES. The work was published some years ago in New York, but had gradually disappeared from the market, when a generous friend purchased the stereotype plates of the original edition and presented them to the Board, who now reproduce the work unaltered, and in a very neat and convenient form.

J. P. Skelly & Co. send us another of their really excellent series of children's books THE LITTLE SEAT PROVERB AND [two] OTHER STORIES. By Mrs. E. E. Boyd. It is quite a pleasure to say that it is equal to the previous publications of the firm.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

JONES.—Life Scenes from the Old Testament, with Maps and Illustrations. By Rev. Geo. Jones, M.A., Chaplain United States Navy, Author of "Life Scenes from the Four Gospels." Pp. 496. Philadelphia: J. G. Garrigue & Co.

LITERARY ITEMS.

The Rev. Richard Frederick Littledale, LL.D., D. C. L., "Priest of the Church of England," has at length published, with notes, his Liverpool Lecture just delivered. He speaks of the Reformers as a "set of miscreants," and Lord Palmerston as a "frivolous old heathen."

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Charles Scribner & Co. announce for publication during the coming season a variety of new works and new editions, comprising "Kathrina, Her Life and Mine, in a Poem," by J. G. Holland (Timothy Pitcomb), with over 70 illustrations, executed in the highest style of art, on large paper, uniform with "Bitter Sweet," and "Folk Songs," small 4to; "My Farm, at Edgewood," by Donald G. Mitchell, illustrated with numerous photographs and with plans, &c., &c., a limited edition, small 4to, printed on large paper; "The Human Intellect, with an introduction upon Psychology and the Human Soul" by Prof. Noah Porter of Yale college, one vol. 8vo.; "Love as a Law, a Treatise on Moral Science," by Mark Hopkins, D. D., LL. D., President of Williams College, one vol. 12mo.; "Chips from a German Workshop, Essays on the Science of Religion, on Mythology, Traditions and Customs," by Max Muller, M. A., one vol. crown 8vo.; "Moral Uses of Dark Things," by Horace Bushnell, D. D., 12mo.; "An Introduction to the Study of English Literature," by Prof. Day, 12mo.; Translations of "Mme. Therese," "L'Ami Fritz," "Histoire d'un Conscrit de 1813," Brightwood Edition of Dr. J. G. Holland's Select Works in six volumes, 16mo., from new stereotype plates, including "Bitter Sweet," "Kathrina," "Lessons in Life," "Gold Foil," "Timothy Pitcomb's Letters to Young People," "Plain Talks," "Household Book of English Poetry," with notes, selected and arranged by Trench, Archbishop of Dublin, 12mo.; "English Past

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Scientific.

[Prepared for our columns.]

NITROUS OXIDE OR LAUGHING GAS.

This agent, which has been employed so extensively in this country, for the purpose of producing anaesthesia during the extraction of teeth, has been recently introduced to the notice of Medical Profession of London, and an attempt made to popularize its use, by Dr. Evans, the well-known American Dentist of Paris.

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THE INFLUENCE OF WEATHER UPON THE PUBLIC HEALTH.

Dr. Ballard in his recent Report on the Health of Islington, England, for 1868, arrives at the following conclusions upon this subject: 1. That an increase of atmospheric temperature is normally associated with an increase of general sickness.

operation upon public health, when at the same time the daily range of temperature is lessened, than they are when the daily range is at the same time increased; rises of temperature increasing sickness more certainly and markedly, and falls of temperature decreasing it more certainly and markedly.

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