

Editor's Table.

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

THE BIBLE HAND-BOOK of Rev. JOSEPH ANGUS has now reached a third edition, and a second revision, in this country. Its original character for comprehensiveness, compactness, and accuracy, as well as sound theological tendency, is well established.

JENNY'S GERANIUM, or the Prize Flower of a London Court, is another English story illustrating the value of flowers and of temperate habits to the poor, in a tale of much power and pathos.

NOW AND FOREVER, by Mrs. Madeleine Leslie, is a tale of such excellent intention: the illustration of the power of true piety in the young and weak to endure fierce opposition—that we regret to be obliged to describe the plot as unnatural, and the whole management of style, story, and dialogue as without any decided marks of literary ability or legitimate matter of interest to the reader.

THE BRAUNVILLE PAPERS, being memorials of the Braunville Athletic Club, by Prof. MOSES COIT TYLER, of Michigan University, are among the most readable productions in their whole line of literature.

THE following books have recently appeared: The American Year Book and National Register for 1869. O. D. Case & Co.

During the year 1868 the total number of books published in the United States was 1,918. Of these, 1,450 were original American works, 359 reprints of English books, and 109 translations and reprints of Continental books.

WILLIAM THE SILENT and the NETHERLAND WAR, by MARY BARRETT, is a new and praiseworthy effort to present one of the greatest instances of heroism in Prince and people that the world ever saw, before the minds of the young.

AUNT MILDRED'S LEGACY, by the author of "Battles Worth Fighting," shows some of the finest qualities of story writing; the characters are vigorously drawn and nicely discriminated, the plot, without being startling as a whole, is skilfully contrived; the revelation of the legacy, and the vindication of Sam's courage, are well managed, and dramatically brought out; expectation is kept up pleasantly to the last, and the whole impression of the book is delightful and healthful.

The first complete and critical edition of the Works of Archbishop Leighton is announced in England. Hitherto, says the Book-buyer, Leighton's writings have been absolutely without any editorial care; the errors originally found in the printed copies have been continued, and multiplied in successive impressions to such an extent that the work now announced will be found "rather a new book than a new edition."

The various works by the late Hugh Miller, the geologist, have fallen into the hands of a spirited publisher, Mr. W. P. Nimmo, of Edinburgh, who announces a popular edition, low priced and neat. Of "The Testimony of the Rocks," 34,000 copies have been sold; of "The Old Red Sandstone," 11,000; of "My Schools and Schoolmasters," 13,000; of "Footprints of the Creator," 10,000.

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