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written in a style of simple purity, and much credit is due to Miss Preston for the skill she has displayed in her translation. It will prove a most welcome addition to this class of standard works, which are so generally welcomed. It is bound uniformly with the life of Madame Récamier. We hope that the series will meet with such a reception as to warrant its continuation. It introduces us to characters well known before only by name, and in whom we all feel an interest.

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AMONG THE INDIANS-EIGHT YEARS IN THE FAR WEST-1858-1866. By Henry A. Boller: T. Elwood Zell: Philadelphia.

The number of writers who have gone over this path before Mr. Boller has left him little or nothing to tell us of the Indians which we do not know already. It is an error too easily fallen into by travellers, to think that because scenes are new to them they will be new to their readers. We could recall a dozen works, all written by men who have been eight years with the Indians, and all of which are just as thorough as that of Mr. Boller; and being published before his, have made us already familiar with all the characteristics of the aborigines, so that the most transcendent merit could hardly redeem a work on the West just now. If Mr. Boller had the descriptive powers of an Irving, it would be possible to make his work a success. But while being a very pure, and on many occasions a talented writer, in his descriptions, yet with all the happiness of expression which he frequently excels in, he cannot raise his work above its predecessors. The fault lies with the subject rather than the anthor. It is handsomely bound, and neatly published by Mr. Zell, and to those not already familiar with its contents, will well repay perusal.

CONFUCIUS AND THE CHINESE CLASSICS. By Rev. A. W. Loomis, A. Roman & Co.: Call-fornia. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. The publications of Messrs, Roman & Co., while they are intended especially to supply the wants of the reading population of California, are not restricted to it. They are of general interest, and the work now before us is as well adapted to the scholar here as it is to the Chinese-American population of the Golden State. The work is a careful transla. tion, filled with explanatory notes, and comprises a correct transcript of the principal theories of the celebrated Chinese philosopher. It is curious to note how time and nationality make little difference in the views of right as laid down by thinkers, and to see that many of the positions assumed by Bacon are found on the other side of the globe, with Confucius as their advocate. The work is very curious, and will well repay perusal.

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