

Of and About the Makers of Books.

Notices of Recent Interesting Volumes and Chats Concerning Literary Men and Women.

TOLSTOY'S LATEST NOVEL.

The laudatory opinions which William Dean Howells expresses concerning the writings of Count Leo Tolstoy in his introduction to the Appletons' new translation of the Russian novelist's latest work, "Master and Man," will probably not be shared by the normal individual to whom the Tolstoy of our day still a shrouded mystery, and to whom life has not yet lost the fulness of its varied fascinations.

The slender framework of the novel may be pictured in few words. Vassili Brekhunoff is a Russian merchant of the second guild, a church warden and an intense lover of rain. He has been with little and nursed it into much; he is now the owner of a large estate, avaricious, selfish, yet outwardly respectable—a fair type of the man in whose being the finer capabilities are systematically subordinated to the great aim of "getting on."

Books and Authors' Notes: The scene of Anthony Hope's new novel in London Idler is laid in Greece. Friedrich Spielhagen's new romance is entitled "Susi, a Tale of Court Life."

Health Hints: Half the dyspepsia and indigestion and general debility from which so many people suffer is due to a lack of exercise.

A few incidental personages are put before us in the novel for a moment or two. Nikita's wife, while not personally in evidence, is commented upon.

With her head and shoulders smothered in a woolen shawl, so that only her eyes were visible, Vassili's wife, a pale thin woman in an interesting condition, stood in the hall to see him off.

"You have money with you," continued his wife, in the same complaining tone. "Ah, and the weather is none too good. Really you should, in God's name!"

It is at such company of sorry disreputables as this that Mr. Howells is made aware of the "thrill and glow of wonder," and feels something like the "clasp of a great warm hand, with the best of a friendly heart."

that no one can be happy to or for himself, but only in serving another at his bidding and not helping him with foolish benefits and mischievous pleasures, but in befriending him in his trouble." It is from this motley aggregation of sordid cheats that he deduces a terrible arraignment of the present industrial system, and the one great, the one great obstacle to the realization of an earthly millennium is the fact that men nowadays work for pay, and not for love.

But, as the New York Tribune pointedly says in its admirable review of this work, "this is a perverse generation, and there are some who persist in believing that life is worth living, that there is more good than evil in the world, that it is possible for an employer to be just and generous and for an employee to be manly and self-respecting, and that noble living is better than sneaking in the hour of death."

It is Nordau, we believe, who intimates that the author of the "Kreutzer Sonata" was perchance the unconscious victim, by heredity, of a fanatical sect in a certain part of Russia which, believing that all mischief came into the world because of woman's sin, there, adored the sight of women and, to make their repugnance stronger, submitted to mutilation.

Richard Garnett has finished a book of translations from Dante, Petrarch and other Italian poets in verse, entitled "The Idler." It is a tale of Mexican adventure.

Stone and Kimball now announce for publication a new volume by Kenneth Grahame, "The Golden Age. Tales from the Night Hills" is to be continued for several months in the Chap-Book.

Eric Mackay's new volume of poems has been christened "A Song to the Sea, My Lady of Dreams, and Other Poems."

W. D. Howells' essays on his "Literary and Critical" have been put into book form by the Harpers and the work will soon be brought out.

An unpublished drama by Robert Louis Stevenson and William E. Henley, entitled "Macaire," will see the light of print in the June issue of the Chap-Book.

the capacity in him for joy and hope has been washed into oblivion. The sketch of the type of the patient victim of German Imperialism, but he could never be naturalized in democratic America.

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IS A WEARY WORLD. Extract from Max Nordau's New Book "Degeneration."

"The 18,000 new publications, the 6,800 newspapers in Germany, desire to be read, although many of them desire in vain; the 2,750,000,000 of letters must be written; the larger commercial transactions, the numerous journeys, the increased marine intercourse, imply a constant exertion of greater activity in individuals. The humblest village inhabitant has today a wider geographical horizon, more numerous and complex intellectual interests than the prime minister of a century ago."

From the benches, black with people, there went up a muffled roar, like the beating of storm waves on a stern and distant shore.

Oh, somewhere in this favored land the sun is shining bright, The hand that plays the music, and some-where hearts are light;

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Oh, wrecks by the black sea tossed, In the desolate ocean night! Lost, lost in the darkness! Lost in sight of the harbor lights!

There was once a ship of my soul that was tossed on a stormy sea, And this was my prayer when the night's gloomed drear: "Send my soul's ship safe to me!"

In the World of Outdoor Sports.

Current Gossip of Baseball, Cycling, the Track And Various Other Popular Pastimes.

CASEY AT THE BAT: It looked extremely rocky for the Boston nine that day; The score stood two to four, with but an inning left to play.

But Flynn preceded Casey, and likewise so did Blake, And the former was a pudd'a, and the latter was a fake.

Then, from the gladdened multitude went up a joyous yell, It rumbled in the mountain tops, it rattled in the dell;

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Oh, ship of love, wave-tossed, In the faithfulness ocean night! Lost, lost in the darkness! Lost in sight of the harbor lights!

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percentages mark, a record with which Mr. Hanton said he would be satisfied before the club left.

"Big Bill Clark, first baseman of the Scranton club, is the best in the Eastern league. He will be in the National league before long. Philadelphia Exchange. Yes, Bill is all right, but I believe in Pitcher Vickers."

THE BICYCLE WORLD: The majority of the lady riders in New Jersey are wearing bloomers this season. Albert Schoch, the champion long-distance cyclist, has opened a riding academy in New York.

The board of directors of the American League of Hazing Cyclists will be held at Albany June 5 to consider a plan to take the racing interests out of the hands of the League of American Wheelmen.

It is said that Harry Tyler, this season, will wear the colors of the Albany City wheelmen, and not for the Springfield Bicycle club, Tyler's home is in Pittsburg, and he is anxious to represent a club in his own state.

Federick Burns, of the Varuna Boat club, of Brooklyn, has been in correspondence with Vice President Frank Thompson, of the Pennsylvania railroad, in the interest of Charles Murphy, the crack New York bicyclist.

James Judge, of this city, and "Mike" Leonard, of Philadelphia, are in active training for the 30 June 17.

John J. Quinn, who looks after the interests of Peter Maher, says the articles had been signed for a 5-round contest between Maher and Steve O'Donnell.

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WILLIAM E. JOHNSON, Scranton's Center Fielder.

Following is his record: Wilmington, 1885; Hartford, 1886-7; Newark, 1888-9; Newark and Baltimore, 1890; Baltimore, 1891; Troy, 1892-3; Troy and Scranton, 1894.

In the following list of nicknames of base ball players will be found the names of many well-known to Scranton cranks: "Cub" Stricker, "Move-up" Joe Gehardt, "Papa" Lyons, "Baby" and "Uncle" Anson, "Dude" Latham, "Sleepy" Johnson, "Hick" Carpenter, "Pop" Corkhill, "Farmer" Weaver, "Pop" Smith, "Lefty" Marr, "Gladiator" or "Pete" Browning, "Thomas" or "Tommy" Ramsey, "Scrap" Jones, "Kid" Baldwin, "Cupid" Childs, "Callope" Miller, "Jersey" Bakely, "Cyclone" Duryea, "Old Cy" Young, "Chippie" McGarr, "Orator" or "Councilor" O'Rourke, "Buck" Ewing, "King" Kelly, "Doc" Bushong, "Middle" Miller, "Bug" Holliday, "Dusty" Miller, "Whizzer" King, "Hub" Collins, "Chub" Collins, "Long John" Reilly, "Jocko" Field, "Shorty" Fuller, "Home Run" Breckinridge, "Count" Mullane, "Moxie" Henkle, "Moxie" McSweeney, "Reddy" Mack, "Monk" Cline, "Peck-a-boo" Veach, "Good Eye" Shanick, "Little" Phil "Tommy" Home Run, Foster, "Black Jack" Burdock, "Ubbu" Horning, "Chief" Roseman, "Parisan" Bob, "Caruthers," "Scissors" Prouty, "Kid" Cross, "Fog Horn" Bradley, "Roaring Bill" Harbridge, "Long John" Ewing, "Yank" Robinson, "Count" Campau, "Tip" O'Neill, "Tub" Welch, "Smiling" Mickey Welch, "Grasshopper" Jim Whitney, "Texas" McNabb, "Alamoose" Jennings, "Burr" McPhee, "Fritz" Pfeffer, "Cinders" O'Brien, "Darryl" O'Brien, "Little Willie" Maine, "Big Dave" Orr, "Policeman" Beecher, "Big Dan" Brothers, "Eagle Eye" Beckley, "Cannonball" Crane, "Atout" Bolivar or "Hard Gal" Tebeau, "White Wings" Tebeau, "Sandy" Griffin, "Deacon" White, "Jocko" Halligan, "Farmer" Yachin, "Count" Keuhne, "Lady" Baldwin, "Pud" Galvin, "Chinese" Weyhing, "Ling-Ching" Lewee, "Handsome" Charlie Snyder, "Willie" Bill McGill, "Chicken" Wolf, "Peach Pie" O'Connor, "Blonde" Purcell, "Dummy" Hoy, "Orator" Shaffer, "Lefty" Nicholson, "Shorty" Fuller, "Parson" Nicholson, "Honest Joe" Sommers, "Iceberg" Chamberlain, "Egyptian" Henly, "Phonomenal" Smith, "Dude" Heisterbrook, "Scrap" McGraw, "Link" Lowe, "Fritz" Brady, "Little" John McManus, "Whizard" Shaw, "Pie" alias "Red Jacket" Ward, "Puff" Vickers, "Red" Ebert, "Dusty" Rhodes, "Adonis" Lutz, "Montana Kid" Smith, "Germany" Berger, "Dad" Clark, "Big Bill" Hoover, "Monkey" Murphy, "Yellow Weeds" Conley, "Doc" Kennedy, "Lefty" Nichols, "Gimlet-eye" Clausen, "Ace" Stewart, "Smag" Lang, "Chick" Hoffer, "Orator" Burns, "Tug" alias "Brownie" Murphy, "Adonis" Terry, "Germany" Smith, "Buster" Burrell, "Freshy" Fournier, "Old Hess" Vickers, "Lady" Payne, "Silver" Flint, "Brudler" Bill Gleason, "Hick" Carpenter, "Cherokee" Fisher, "Bumpus" Jones, "Sadie" Houch, "Tug" Arundel, "Dasher" Troy, "Hud" Eagle, "Barnie," "Only" Nolan, "Juice" Latham, and "Trike" Sorley.

Some of these are of players lost to sight but to memory dear, and the mention of them will recall to the older fans many recollections that have been in musk for years.

ON THE DIAMOND: From early in the evening to the midnight hour or more There comes from all directions o'er the phone a mighty roar.

When these cranks got their just deserts and land on Hades' shore, They'll find old Satan waiting there with points on ball gloves.

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