

Of and About the Makers of Books.

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

REALISM EXEMPLIFIED.

The merits and defects of Zola's realism are strikingly exemplified in the first of his short stories which appear in a handsome volume from the press of Copeland & Day, Boston, under the title "Jacques Damour."

To begin--for in this little narrative M. Zola does not let his curtain drop on the hero and heroine until they are in the wedding-Jacques Damour, a chaser in metals, had, at 28, married Felicie, a comely seamstress of 18.

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lines will appear in later numbers. The third article, worthy of special attention is W. W. Carrington's paper on "Perpetual Motion," in which he proves that no two definitions of what is meant by the title of his paper coincide, and avers that until the scientists get together and agree as to what perpetual motion is, they ought not to declare it an impossibility.

In the September number of the American Historical Register, Charles H. Browning continues his very interesting series of papers descriptive of General Lafayette's visit to the United States in 1780.

As described by Elbert Hubbard in the September Philistine, "The Pawns of Chance," a new Chicago novel treating of a woman with a Past, is a very notable one.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

"The Joneses and the Asterisks," by Gerald Campbell, (New York: the Meridian Co.) is described on its title-page as "a story in monologue."

CUSTOM REVERSED.

In "Out of Due Season," which appears as No. 178 in Appleton's Town and Country Library, Adeline Sergeant boldly reverses precedents.

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made the most careful and thorough study. The MS. 223 has been used in preparing the text.

HER INCONSISTENCY.

From the Washington Star. "I'm sorry," she said smiling, "that I cannot do it for you. I am sure, however, that I will always think of you as a very dear friend."

STORIES OF OUR SENATORS.

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SOME CURIOUS WAGERS.

How a Sportive British Baronet Was Caught in the Tolls of the Church--Sir Walter Raleigh's Bet with the Good Queen Bess--Other odd Chances. From the Chicago News.

ONE SENATOR LODGE.

"Lodge, the young one from Massachusetts, has more than any other senator, a literary reputation. He is supposed to be an intricate all about books and to be able to read and write them. It would seem that Lodge is not always fair, however, in grabbing credit in his behalf."

HOW WORDS HAVE CHANGED.

Villa formerly meant a farm, not a holiday resort. Daisy was originally the eye of day, or day's eye.

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down its gavel to Will Alexander Hamilton in a duel at Westhewen. I was not in the senate the time, but I was a member of the house, and chanced to be over in the senate chamber, having a talk with Cullom. Ingalls had organized a "Woodmen" club, and was to annihilate him. His desk was full to the muzzle, so to speak, of all that was deadly and damaging in the case of Woodmen.

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were to be sold to the liberals on condition that the latter paid all registration and election expenses. It refused also to reaffirm the censure which McCarthy had pronounced upon Healy in the Freeman's Journal; and so far from the latter being turned out of the Irish national party, as McCarthy had expected, he and his followers were given an influential representation in the sessional committee which shapes the party program.

On Monday McCarthy issued another manifesto against Healy. This time it was an appeal to the electors of South Kerry to support Farrell, the candidate chosen by the regular convention, and to oppose Murphy, who is a Healyite. The appeal denounced Murphy's candidature as "treason against the party discipline," and bitterly scored Healy. This has intensified the animosity of the pugnacious Dublin lawyer, who says he has not yet reached a point where he will count himself humiliated out of the party of the Irish nationalists.

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