

in its fearless plainness of speech and direct stroke, of Luther and Savonarola, and would alone make good Green's assignment of Colet to a place among the Reformers before the Reformation.

The Shaybacks in Camp. Ten Summers under Canvas. By Samuel J. Barrows and Isabel C. Barrows. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. 1887.

THESE unwearied campers have spent all but one of their ten summers on the shore of Lake Memphremagog; and by going always to the same spot, and storing utensils and conveniences from one year to another, they appear to be as well provided for residence there as one would be in a country house. It is not camping of the old-fashioned kind, with discomforts and make-shifts unexpected and innumerable, of which perhaps the chief use is to remind us of our civilization; but, quite the contrary, the "Shaybacks" progress instead of barbarizing, and end their first decade with a steam-launch and a substantial well-chinked log hut, to say nothing of hammocks for pews during meeting time. The volume which they have published contains the history of this evolution, and is brightened by some anecdotes of mild adventure, principally in navigating the steam launch; but its value lies in the hints and explicit advice it gives in regard to family camps, and its account of how this particular camp conducts its domestic and foreign affairs. The success of "the Shaybacks" is beyond question, and Lake Memphremagog seems to be an admirable spot for further experiment in the process of returning to savage life and re-emerging from it. Perhaps it would be as well to start with a steam-launch and a log hut, and see if one could not work up to hired stokers and a French cook. The book is agreeable reading, though its adventures are, as has been said, of a mild order, and its reflections have just the tenuity that consists with the absolute nirvana of a true camp life.

Prose Pastorals. By Herbert Milton Sylvester. Boston: Ticknor & Co. 1887.

SUMMER volumes which describe the life of nature have become very common of late, and they betray a tendency usually either towards the speciality of natural history or the generality of an Emersonian reflectiveness. Mr. Sylvester has the Emersonian characteristic, but it has a poetic rather than philosophic turn, and does not interfere with his giving his readers a very natural picture of the old home of his boyhood, a farm somewhat to the southward of the White Hills, in the midst of scenery and homely tasks dear to the New England heart. The author's own honest and unrestrained pleasure in his recollections, his attachment to the homestead and all the doings of his young life there, make the pleasantest quality of the book. There is next to nothing of character and no human nature except his own in the pages; but he has the artist's eye and the fisherman's infatuation, and gives us still life and speckled trout in about equal profusion. A definite portion of the volume is devoted to angling in the White Mountains, which may be of some special interest to brothers of that craft; but the atmosphere and the scenes of the remainder are in one general tone, almost a monotone. Were it not for a forest fire, with its aftergrowth of blackberry-vines, a swamp which one thinks would have rewarded further exploration, and an admirably described boyhood ride to the market-town in the small hours of the night, with all the morning changes of light, mist, and sound, the volume would have had no more variety than a succession of summer days in the quiet country it makes poetical.

BOOKS OF THE WEEK.

Appleton, G. W. A Terrible Legacy. D. Appleton & Co. 50 cents.
Bacon, Prof. E. F. Leitfaden zum Erlernen der deutschen Sprache. Clark & Maynard.
Barbey d'Aurevilly, J. Le Théâtre contemporain. Paris: Frinzie; Boston: Schoenhof.
Bolsaer, G. Mme. de Sévigné. Paris: Hachette; Boston: Schoenhof.
Bridgman's Indexed Map of the Environs of New York City. E. C. Bridgman. \$4.

Confessions of a Society Man. Belford, Clarke & Co. Delitzsch, Prof. F. A Day in Capernaum. Funk & Wagnalls.
Field, P. B. Canvas Canoes: How to Build Them. Forest and Stream Publishing Co. 50 cents.
Garlanda, F. The Fortunes of Words. A. Lovell & Co.
Gilman, A. Historical Readers. 3 vols. Interstate Publishing Co. 36, 48, 60 cents.
Haggard, H. R. Allan Quatermain. Chicago: Rand, McNally & Co.; New York: Geo. Munro.
Hobbes, T. Municipal Police Ordinances. Robert Clarke & Co.
Hugo, V. Things Seen. Harper & Brothers. 25 cents.
Johnson, Virginia W. The House of the Musician. Boston: Ticknor & Co. 50 cents.
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Littell's Living Age. Vol. 63. Boston: Littell & Gay.
Lyall, Edna. In the Golden Days: A Novel. D. Appleton & Co. \$1.50.
Marlitt, E. The Old Mam'selle's Secret. New ed. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co. 25 cents.
Mead, T. H. Environment: A Story of Modern Society. Funk & Wagnalls.
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Meyer, C. F. The Monk's Wedding; A Novel. Boston: Cupples & Hurd. \$1.25.
Morrison, G. B. The Ventilation and Warming of School Buildings. J. B. Lippincott & Co. 75 cents.
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Peterson, H. Bessie's Six Lovers. Philadelphia: T. B. Peterson & Bros. 50 cents.
Pierston, E. De L. Society Verse by American Writers. Benjamin & Bell.
Pike, C. L. A Dateless Bargain. D. Appleton & Co. 30 cents.
Reese, Lizette W. A Branch of May: Poems. Baltimore: Cushings & Bailey.
Renan, E. Discours et Conférences. Paris: Calmann Lévy; Boston: Schoenhof.
Richard the Third and the Primrose Criticism. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co. \$1.
Ridder, Mrs. G. E. Miss Gascolgne: A Novel. D. Appleton & Co. 25 cents.
Robinson, F. W. 99 Dark St. Harper & Brothers. 15 cents.
Sachau, Prof. E. Alberuni's India (A. D. 1030). London: Triebner & Co.
Satus, E. Mr. Incaul's Misadventure. Benjamin & Bell.
Schier, J. Letzte Gänge. 2d ed. Stuttgart: W. Spemann; New York: Westermann.
Simon, Jules. Victor Cousin. Paris: Hachette; Boston: Schoenhof.
Spence, Exell and Neill. Thirty Thousand Christian Thoughts, Vol. V. Christian Dogmatics, Concluded. Funk & Wagnalls. \$3.50.
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Tolstoy, Count L. N. Sebastopol. Harper & Brothers.
Vasili, Comte Paul. La Société de Paris: I. Le Grand Monde. Paris: Nouvelle Revue; Boston: Schoenhof.
Verne, Jules. Nord contre Sud. Ire partie. Paris: Hetzel; New York: Chistern.
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