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Jos. McLeod,
For the Com.

Fredericton, N. B.

THE MAGAZINES.

The November *St. Nicholas* has the first chapters of a new serial, "Queen Zixi of Ix," and other delightful absurdities; and this new story starts off so fascinatingly that every young reader will welcome the announcement that "Queen Zixi of Ix" is to run all through the year. The story is also notable for its illustrations, many of them in color. Indeed, it is promised that the serial will bring at least sixteen full pages printed in color, with sixty or more colored illustrations in the text. Very timely is "A Goal from the Field." "Little X" is a story of life in a girls' school, with a sugar-coated moral. "A Composition on an Apple" is the story of a little lad and his teacher, for young and old. There is a series of helpful and instructive articles entitled, "The Practical Boy." This first paper treats of simple carpentry and joining and the use of tools in a clear, practical manner, with many illustrations. There is plenty of verse and pictures.

"The Evolution of the Horse in America" is the opening article in the November *Century*. The paper is illustrated. Two examples of color work are a "Tiger and Cobra," and a double-page drawing in illustration of Keats's ode "To Autumn." There are also timely features, reflecting the current interest in Japan and Russia. "Japanese Devotion and Courage" describes graphically the three heroic attempts to block the harbor of Port Arthur. A curious paper by Gustave Michaud, entitled, "The Brain of the Nation," undertakes to answer the question, "Where are the most intellectual people of the country?" "A Tibetan Leader" is a brief biography, with portraits, of Agwan Dordji, preceptor of the Dalai-Lama. There is the usual good fiction. The editorial articles relate to the need of an ethical revival in America.

The Missionary Review of the World for November presents an attractive appearance. The articles are good. One by Dr. A. T. Pierson deals with the "Missionary Lessons at the Fair." Dr. Dwight's article on "The Church and the Mormons," describes the battle which is in progress between the forces of Christ in Utah and those of the Polygamous "Prophet." Booker T. Washington has something to say on "What the Negro is doing for the Negro in America." Published monthly by Funk & Wagnalls Company, 44-60 East 23rd Street, New York. \$2.50 a year.

In the *Review of Reviews* for November, Prof. P. G. Holden, of the Iowa State College of Agriculture, tells what has been accomplished in that State, with the co-operation of the railroads, in the matter of educating the farmers in corn-planting. Tours of the State have been made and lectures given in corn-gospel" trains, so called. The result is a greatly increased yield of Iowa's staple product.

A brief appreciation of the work of Commander Booth Tucker, of the Salvation Army, who has just been recalled from the American field, appears in the *Review of Reviews* for November.

The November *Canadian Magazine's* first article deals with "The Argentine Gaucho," a peculiar character who lives on the ranches and prairies of South America. A. Theodore Waters, a Canadian who has been a self-supporting missionary in British Tongaland, tells how he worked his way to South Africa via London, how he studied the Zulu language, and how he fared there in war-time. The Canadian Celebrity of the month is Mr. Robert Meighen, a man who has carved his way to prominence. There are portraits of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Borden, of Earl Grey and Lady Grey.

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