PROGRESS, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12.

THE WORLD OF BOOKS.

"Acadian Legends and Lyrics."* Mr. Eaton's volume of poems, though published in New York, belongs properly to Canada. The author is a Canadian, though living in the United States, and the subject matter is almost wholly Canadian. Both in matter and in spirit, these poems take their origin from those favored Acadian regions which had already proved themselves fertile in inspiration. From faithful critics on all sides the cry has been going up of late years that poetry was too much given over to the worship of form,that our singers were in danger of becomfng mere intricate weavers of words. The ery is one of needed warning, and cannot be too pertinaciously reiterated. In a vast deal of contemporary work one feels that the initial impulse has come less from a need of giving utterance to some vivid emotion or high idea than from an idle itch for experimenting in bizarre verse-forms. I am known attractions of Nova Scotia's capital. keenly alive to the fact that this experimenting in verse-forms has its value. It gives faculty, it opens one's eyes to the defects of his technique, it helps one to realize how flexible our language may become ; but, like all experimenting, it is perilous by reason of its fascinations. And often it happens that the writer who at first thought only of how he might best achieve a fine poem, gradually lowers his aim to the accomplishment of a delicate piece of verbal filagree that can be ticketed Rondeau, or Ballade, and judged as such mainly.

Mr. Eaton's book is of interest to all lovers of song, because it serves as an indication of a return to simplicity. These verses are direct, unstrained, natural, and always simple in form and motive. There is much easy melody, much tenderness of mood, much faithful and effective discription. The poet's gift is not a mighty and compelling one, but it is very true and refreshing one.

In the Acadian Legends, Mr. Eaton may be said to revive that pleasant art that has long been in disuse, the art of telling a an evasive grace which persuades one that ereau," is a case in point, in spite of what may almost be called the philological outrage of the incident, which gives the poem its title. The other poems in this section are not open to any such blame, but few of them quite attain the same unconscious grace. The "Lyrics" have a wider range of theme, as might be expected ; but they do not vary greatly in tone. They are human and wholesome, almost without exception, and possess that attribute of improving on close acquaintance. The following quotations will give a taste of the quality of this little volume, whose unobtrusive beauties are likely to be overlooked by the hasty reader :

posing of a book than for the composing of the small boy's mind on going to bed at night, in fact. Mr. Crofton tells his stories with that easy grace which is seldom acquired, but is born in a man. He manufactures incidents with the air of one who has had long years of practice in the art, and marvellous incidents they are. He is librarian of the legislative library at Halifax, and, judging from the successful and natural manner in which he makes up stories - founded on untruth-it would seem that the city of Halifax could afford to offer him his own price to have him write letters to the press, telling the world of the life and hustling activity of that city. The practice and experience he has had from his lighter literary work would pre-emmently qualify him for the bringing forward of the innumerable un-

Notes and Announcements.

After writing about fairy stories for years, Mr. Lang has now taken to writing them himself. Messrs. Longmans, Green & Co. will shortly publish his Prince Prigio with illustrations by Gordon Browne. The prince is a great-grandson of the Giglio of Thackeray's Rose and the Ring, and many of the old fairy tricks serve a new purpose in'Mr. Lang's story.

Mr. George Curzan, M. P., who made a detailed examination of the Trans-Caspian country last fall, has written an account of his travels, and his Russia in Central Asia in 1889 and The Anglo-Persian Question will be published soon by Messrs. Longmans, Green & Co., both in London and New York. It will contain maps from the latest investigations, some forty illustrations and a bibliography.

Mr. Moncure Conway is working in Virginia at his historical and biographical introduction to the volume of unpublished private letters of George Washington, which he is editing for the Long Island not very striking story in verse, and adding Historical society. He is going to tell the public all about George's early love affairs. in cream color. the tale was worth the telling. The open- It is wonderful to think that a man of such ing poem, "The Naming of the Gasp- rigid truthfulness could ever have been any party. sort of a success with the ladies, but the "father of his country" was very young when his aversion to falsehood was noticed, and probably he outgrew it. To obtain a copyright, under the new Canadian copyright law, a work must be printed in Canada within one month after its first appearance elsewhere, and must be registered at the department of agriculture before or at the same time as its first publication elsewhere. Protection is granted for 28 years. America says that "the failure of Belford, Clarke & Co., with liabilities placed at over \$400,000, is significant that success Fritz. is not always to be attained in pirating foreign publications and deluging the American market with them in connection with the trashiest of native literary productions." The last number of the Dominion Illustrated has some further illustrations of the Quebec catastrophe, portraits of Deputy Minister Burgess, and of Sergeant Hall and Private Burns, prize-winners at the D. R. A. match, and a telling feature, in Millet's style, the Hay Harvest. The publishers announce a serial story on the Upper Canadian Rebellion for the 12th inst. and ensuing weeks. Published by the Dominion Illustrated Publishing Company: 73 St. James street, Montreal. Subscription \$4. In the issue of the Chicago America for Oct. 3, Mr. Andrew Lang has a paper entitled "With the Author's Compliments." It has a literary flavor that would have delighted the soul of Charles Lamb himself. Mr. Lang says: "Canvas-back ducks, Greek gems, rare first editions (as long as they are not the gift of the author), I can receive without regret and acknowledge without ingratitude," but in the case of a book with the compliments of the author, "one feels as if a triendly physician had conferred on him a box of pills." A number of years ago the Youth's Companion offered Joaquin Miller phenomenal remuneration for a short ttory of adventure. It was just after "the poet of the Sierras" had returned from England, after having worn his flannel shirt and top boots into the London drawing rooms with great effect. He wrote the story and was paid for it, and as soon as someone is found who can decipher the characters, it will be published. Miller writes abominably and does it with his left hand, too. Probably he could do even worse with his right. Prof. Schurman, of Cornell, formerly of Dalhousie, will shortly bring out a new book.

HAMPTON.

[PROGRESS is for sale at Hampton station by T.G. Barnes, and Geo. E. Frost, and at Hampton village by Messrs. A. & W. Hicks.] Oct. 9.-Rev. Dr. Sprague was in town on Friday visiting his parents at Sunny Slope. Mrs. Evanson accompanied by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Henry Scovil, of Shediac, started for Springfield last week to make a short visit. Miss Fannie Palmer is visiting her brother at Linden Heights. Mrs. S. Hayward has been spending the last few

days visiting her mother at Sussex. Miss Aggie Belyea, who is teaching at Kars, spent a part of last week at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. McLeod gave a most enjoyable progressive whist party on Friday evening at their cosey residence. Among the guests present were Judge, Mrs. and Miss Wedderburn, Mr. and Mrs. J. Brunswick Hammond, Mrs. Colwell, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar II. Fairweather, Mr. and Mrs. Noah M. Barnes, Mrs. Joseph W. Barnes, Mr. Tyson Barnes, Miss Mary Barnes, Dr. Wetmore, Mr. Philip Palmer, Mrs. Crosby, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Stewart, Mr. Charles Hendricks (of Hampton,) Mr. W. H. Thorne, Mr. Ezekiel McLeod, Mr. Charles E. Taylor, Mrs. William Calhoun, Miss Lottie McLean, Miss Bertha McLeod (of St. John,) Mr. and Mrs. Chapman, Mr. Hugh Hamilton (of Moncton.) and others. The games continued until one o'clock, when an excellent supper was served.

The first prizes were won by Mr. E. McLeod and Mrs. J. W. Barnes; the progressive prizes by Mr W. H. Thorne and Mrs. Hammond, and the others by Mr. Fairweather and Mrs. Chapman. The party separated about two o'clock.

I noticed Mr. W. S. Carter, school inspector, in town last week.

Miss Scovil, who has been spending some months past with her sister here, left for St. John on Thurs-

Mr. Robert S. Foster, of the Bank of New Brunswick, was at the Vendome yesterday.

Miss Compton, of St. John, is visiting friends here.

Rev. W. McDonald, Miss Fannie Barnes, Miss Travis and Miss Tweedie spent yesterday in the city.

Mrs. W. F. Hatheway and Mr. W. B. Rankin were in town on Saturday.

DIGBY, N. S.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Digby at Mrs. Gille. brand's.]

Oct. 9 .- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Mrs. Green was at home to her friends, and was assisted in receiving by her bridesmaid, Miss Edith Ambrose. Both ladies looked remarkably well,-the bride in royal blue silk and white lace, and Miss Ambrose

On Thursday evening Mrs. Biden had a small card

one is likely to forget, and those which compose this book are of the same style. They are much better suited for the com-EIGHTH PAGES.]

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FLOOD TIDE.

The tide came up as the sun went down, And the river was full to its very brim, And a little boat crept up to the town On the muddy wave, in the morning dim.

But that little boat with its reed-like oar Brought news to the town that made it weep, And the people were never so gay as before, And they never slept so sound a sleep.

News of a wreck that the boatman had seen Off in the bay, in a fierce, wild gale; Common enough, such things, I ween, Yet women cried and the men were pale.

Strange that a little boat could bring Tidings to plunge a town in tears; Strange how often some small thing May shatter and shiver the hope of years.

O, none but the angel with silver wings That broods o'er the river and guards the town, Heeds half of the woe each evening brings, As the tide comes up, and the sun goes down.

Here are two stanzas from "Foundry Fires :"

"Crude the mass time's fiery forges At your eager feet have hurled, Centuries of toil must follow Ere ye shape a perfect world; Yet with clanking, clanking, clinking, Strike the iron, shape the truth; Science is indeed beginning, Thought is in its lusty youth.

O ye forgemen of the nations, Keep the world's great fires alight, Let the sparks fly from your anvils All along the roads of night; Clanking, clinking, never shrinking, Work till stars fade and the morn Of a wider faith and knowledge In the radiant East is born."

'TWERE BETTER TO HAVE LOVED.

"'Tis better to have loved and lost Than never to have loved at all.'

'Twere better to love, though the heart be broken, Than to sit alone from passion free, Never to have a sign or token Of the life that deepest lies in thee.

'Twere better to love, though peace should never Softly climb to thy soul again, Than to live the blinded life forever Of barren-hearted, loveless men.

"Twere better far that the gates, in shadow, Of heaven, should once have come to view Than that thou till death, from thy dull meodow,

Dr. George Stewart spent a few days re this week.

Hon. E. R. Oakes was taken seriously ill or Wednesday, but is now somewhat more comfortable. Mr. and Mrs. Haines, of Washington, and Mrs and Miss Bangs, of Sandwich, Mass., took their de parture on Thursday by the Forest City. Miss Mary Short returned from Middletown of

Friday afternoon. Mr. Bangs, of Beacon hill, Boston, is once more here for the fall shooting, and, as usual, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Massie. Woodcock are rather scarce this year, but still Mr. Bangs and Mr. H. P. Smith manage to bag a goodly number.

Mrs. de Balinhard has returned from Boston, where she had a very delightful visit. Sir John Thompson and Hon. C. Tupper were in Digby for a few minutes on Saturday morning. The Ecangeline made a special trip up the river for

them. They breakfasted at Mrs. Short's, and were off before 10 o'clock by special train to Yarmouth. Miss Reid, of St. John, is the guest of Mrs. E. F. RAQUETTE.

RICHIBUCTO.

Oct. 8 .- Miss Eliza McDougall, from Florida, who has been the guest of the Misses Hanna for several weeks, left for Bathurst on Monday, to visit her sister, Mrs. F. M. Cowperthwaite.

Miss Wilbur (Dorchester) returned home, Friday ast, after spending some weeks with her friend, Miss Maime Sayre.

Mr. Arthur O'Leary returned, on Saturday, from short trip to Fredericton. Miss Annie Ferguson left last week for Newcastle

to visit friends. Mrs. Capt. Connaughton has returned from St.

John The many friends of Mr. E. E. Phair (manager K. N. R.) are pleased to see him at his old post again, in his little "coat of blue."

Mr. B. Johnston will open a music class this week. I am glad to hear Mr. Wm. Jardine is recovering

from his recent severe illness.

A little bird whispers that Principal Harrison and Miss Hanna, two of our leading musicians, are making great progress on the cornet. The sounds as yet are not very soothing, but we hope for better things

Mrs. Wm. Graham and Miss Stevenson, of Weldford, were in town today. Miss Taylor's friends are glad to welcome her

CIGARETTE. nome again.

AMHERST, N. S.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Amherst at G. G. Bird's bookstore.]

Oct. 9.-And still they come; Mr. W. F. Donkin arrived home last week with his fair bride. We have had no less than thirteen brides for the ladies to call upon during the last twelve months. I think that is a pretty good showing for one town. Miss Ratchford left last week for a visit to Pictou. Miss Susan Cogswell, of Sackville, was in town last week.

Mrs. James E. Purdy has returned from visiting her friend Mrs. James W. Delaney, of Somerville, Mass. She spent a very pleasant month. Miss Helen Reed has Mrs. Taylor, of Halifax,

visiting her at present. Miss Reed gave a 5 o'clock tea on Friday evening

in honor of her guest. Mrs. Scaman was in town a week, the guest of

Mrs. Sterne, and left this week for Dorchester for the winter.

Mrs. Harris and daughter spent a day or two in Parrsboro last week, the guests of the rector and Mrs. Gibbons, and returned on Friday. Col. Clerke, of Halifax, spent Sunday in town, the guest of Senator Dickey, at Grove cottage. There was a very pleasant little whist party at It will cure Chapped Hands, Face and Lips. It cools the skin when hot, dry or painful from exposure to sun or wind, or heated by exercise. It removes Tan, Pimples' Scaly [Eruptions and Blackheads, and keeps the complexion clear and brilliant

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p. m. P. S.—Steamers Leave Saint John, every Week Day, at Nine o'clock, a. m., and Leave Fredericton every week day, except Saturday, at Eight o'clock, a. m., and on Saturdays at 10.30 a. m., Local time. R. B. HUMPHREY, Manager.



Shouldst never have seen the pearl and blue." C. G. D. R.	here this week. It is stated that the Marquis of Lorne	MI. J. A. Dickey, C. Bi, this in court chie accus	JEWELRY MADE TO ORDER and REPAIRED	DRUGGIST, 109 Brussels St. cor. Richmond.	DAI UF FUNDI D. D. UUMI I. (LIMITED.)
* Acadian Legends and Lyrics, by Rev. Arthur	has written a poem, "Who is the Happi-	Rev. D. C. Moore spent Sunday in town, and preached in Christ church.	TO KING STREET.	50c. A WEEK.	FALL ARRANGEMENT.
Wentworth Eaton. New York : White & Allen.	est," which is to appear in the Scots' Ma- gazine. Perhaps now Mr. Evan MacColl		Now Doole	a le ta ana deta as a hadi da anglada da anglada da ang anglada sa a	
Mr. F. Blake Crofton's book comes with	will be roused to do a little more verse.	Mrs. Rogerson, of St. John, has been visiting Mrs.	New Doors.		3 Trips Per Week. 3
that air of a change from a certain style of	He has been silent for a long time in his	Rupert Lusby. Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Chapman, of Dorchester,		Wringers, Hanging Lamps;	MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, SATURDAY.
scenery to which one has become accus- tomed, back to scenes he has known before	Kingston home, but it is not likely that he	spent last Sunday here, the guests of Mr. W. J. Moran, Mrs. Chapman's brother.	CHRISTIAN THEISM: ITS CLAIMS AND SANCTIONS. By D. B. PURINTON, IL. D.	Pictures, Plated Ware.	COMMENCING 2nd OCTOBER and until fur-
and has longed to revisit. Hairbreadth	will remain quiet while his confrere, Lorne, who used to appreciate his Gælic (verse,	To However not more from a trip to	Cloth. Price \$2. A HISTORY OF THE KANSAS CRUSADE:	F. A. JONES, 34 Dock Street.	I then notice the S S CITY OF MONITUELLO
Escapes of Major Mendax + is the book for		Canada and the United States, leaving Mrs. Hewson and daughter to extend their visit somewhat longer.	TTO UDIENING AND ITS FORS. BV ELI I HARER.		- A - A - A - Local time, on the above days for
boys. All readers of St. Nicholas will re- member the "Major's Big Talk Stories,"	Mr. Douglas Sladen and family are now	Mrs. Medley Townshend has returned from a short visit to Parrsboro.	D.D. Cloth. Price \$1.50.		DIGBY AND ANNAPOLIS, connecting with the W. C. Railway for YARMOUTH and intermediate stations, also with the W. & A.
which Mr. Crofton contributed some years	in Banft.	Dr. A. S. Townshend, of Parrsboro, was in town		A FEW BARRELS EXTRA NICE.	Pailway for HALIFAX and intermediate
ago. They are not the kind of stories that	Ladies desiring Butterick's Celebrated	this week. • Dr. H. P. Clay, resident at the Tidnish Dock, was	J. & A. MCMILLAN,	FOR SALE BY	stations, returning same day.
All the state Frances of Wales Mader by F	Patterns will find them, together with all the latest Periodicals, at 95 King Street.	also in town this week. The chief justice is presiding at the October sitting	98 and 100 Prince Wm. street,		1 - Constate October
†Hairbreadth Escapes of Major Mendex, by F. Blake Crofton, Philadelphia: Hubbard Brothers.	Give us a call. A. W. D. Knapp.	of the supreme court now in session. OSCAR.	ST. JOHN, N. B.	J. HUNNUMBILL & UU., Indiantown.	

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