

THE WORLD OF BOOKS.

Ouida's Last Book—Syrin. Ouida's novels are always interesting, and read more widely than those of two-thirds of the writers of the present day.

Into this proper and frigid atmosphere Ouida introduces her characters—one of them, Syrln, the greatest actor of the world; another, Auril, his dearest friend, a great musician, and both of them with the entree of the best society in England.

No more complete satire upon petticoat politics has ever been written. Lord Flodden, a mere boy, comes into his possession and, at the same time, into the fog and smoke of London from the Mediterranean, where he has spent his boyhood, only to be captured by this minister and that "influential" lady and persuaded to join this or that party.

But a greater satire than this even is the description of the personal habits of husband and wife as shown by Lord and Lady Avillion. They are merely married in name—she cares nothing for him nor he for her.

It pleases Ouida to separate them, to send her to the north in an English winter, to make Syrln follow her and catch rheumatism among the swamps and to lie at the point of death for a time; keeping Lady Avillion on the rack of suspense all the while; to make Syrln's friend, Auril, fall in love and be loved by Lady Ina, the niece and ward of Lady Avillion, to have the latter indignantly refuse her consent—the idea of the union of an English lady and a foreign artist!—to have Syrln plead for his friend and be refused. Then Syrln with

all his dramatic force denounced her social creed. The story comes to a brilliant, tragic and yet not unsatisfactory end. The last chapters are full of breathless interest and will repay anyone who wades through over 400 pages to reach them.

Note by Pastor Felix. Will you allow me to correct an error in the remarks made on Mr. Davin in your last issue? By some inadvertence I said of his noble address on liberal education that it was delivered at Bishop's college; whereas it was at an institution on his own particular ground, and nearer his home—viz., at the opening of Lansdowne College, at Portage La Prairie. It has commanded the attention of eminent scholars, and Gladstone has spoken warm commendatory words in its praise.

Magazines. The May Atlantic has an article on "Literary Shibboleths," by Agnes Repplier, which is well worth reading. It is a plea for an honest confession of our real tastes in literature, and a warning against being carried away by literary fashions. "Henrik Ibsen; His Early Literary Career as Poet and Playwright," is the opening article of the number. "Sir Peter Osborne" is the subject of a picturesque sketch of a sturdy old Royalist in his island castle. Mr. Morton gives his second paper on "Some Popular Objections to Civil Service Reform."

Taking Water. Cowboy (striding into the Round-up Saloon)—Gimme a drink, an' be quick about it if ye know what's good for ye. I ain't goin' ter pay for it, nuther.

Consumption Cured. An old physician retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an Indian missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, all throat and lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellow-men.

REQUIESCAT. I hear the foot-falls faint and sweet Of Spring upon these barren hills, I see the cloud-isles drift and meet, I catch the melody of rills.

II. The change that heightens all abroad, But fills me with a senseless pain, I hate the bloom on bough and sward! I loath the ripple of the rain!

III. Hush! look! My voice is calmer now, Those tears, so swift and painless, cease, Peace upon eye, and lip and brow, And in my soul most perfect peace.

IV. I know these desert fields, unblest By earth's soft sun, and vernal air Shall waken soon from sterile rest, And glow with bloom and fruitage rare.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

SUSSEX. APRIL 30.—Mr. R. O. Stockton, of St. John, spent Sunday with his parents here. Mr. Walter McMonagle spent Sunday in Moncton. Miss Eliza Vail returned from Bathurst on Thursday last, and proceeded at once to Boston, where she will spend the summer. Mr. Calder, of Shediac, will remove his family to Sussex in a short time, I hear, having purchased this beautiful Mr. W. T. Pifford, Sussex corner. Mr. and Mrs. F. Theal have been spending a few days in Shediac.

DIGBY, N. S. APRIL 30.—Mr. H. S. Viets returned home on Wednesday last from a year's trip with his uncle, Capt. B. Roberts.

Mr. A. D. Daisey, who for the past three years has held a position in the water works of the city of Rawlins, Wyo., surprised his family on Wednesday last by his sudden return. He reports that he had been in the provinces, unless they have a good trade or friends on the spot. As Mr. Daisey had been in the provinces, I am glad to hear that he has done very well.

Mr. Thomas Ruddock, one of Digby's oldest and most respected inhabitants was taken very ill on Monday, the 21st, with a severe attack of pneumonia. His son and daughter were summoned from New York, and arrived on Saturday via Yarmouth. The illness terminated fatally on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Ruddock's loss will be deeply felt by his many friends in St. John as well as Digby.

Among the most active of Digby's citizens is Mr. Thomas Boyne, who is now 72 years old, and sets an example well worthy of imitation by his juniors. Mr. Boyne is a licensed lay-reader and vestry clerk; Trinity parish, churchwarden and vestry clerk; secretary and treasurer of the Forest Hill cemetery; revisor of county taxes; city councillor; school and Western Assurance Co., real estate and finance broker, banker and general agent.

TRURO, N. S. APRIL 30.—Our mayor and wife, in the persons of Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Muir, have returned from their trip to Bermuda. Mrs. Muir Black and her daughter Miss Emma, have also returned, the latter looking benefitted by the change.

Mr. H. V. Kent is home after having passed very creditable final examinations at the Halifax, and receiving the degree of doctor of medicine and master of surgery.

LEPREAU. APRIL 30.—Mrs. S. N. Cameron has returned from St. John, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Clinch, who returned last Sabbath, was the guest of Mr. G. R. Blair during his stay.

MUSQUASH. APRIL 30.—Mr. Mount Carman, accompanied by his sister, Miss Amy, drove to St. John last Thursday. Mr. C. A. Clark, of St. John, was at the Musquash Hotel on Monday.

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