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Most prominent and perhaps most interesting among the many special features of THE OUTLOOK'S Annual Book Number is a discussion called "The Most American Books," in which ten authors contribute their views in reply to the question: What are the books most characteristic of American genius and life—literature which could not have been written on any but American soil. Among the writers are Colonel T. W. Higginson, Mr. Crander Matthews, Owen Wister, Hamlin Garland and Dr. Edward Everett Hale. The number has also portraits and sketches of Miss Hegan author of "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," Mrs. Lillian W. Betts, whose "The Leaven in a Great City" is attracting much attention; H. H. Furness, the great Shakespearian; Booth Tarkington, and Helen Keller—the last a sketch by Edward Everett Hale. A beautifully illustrated article on the 'Washington Irving Country," by Mr. Hamilton W. Mabie; a careful survey of "Novels of a season," with portraits of authors; a talk about "Children's Book Plates," by Zella A. Dixon, with charming and amusing examples; and group reviews of important recent books are among the features having special reference to books and authors. Ex-Secretary John D. Long, under the title "Building the New Navy," contributes the second of the important and authoritative series of twelve papers he is publishing in THE OUTLOOK on the general subject "The New American Navy"; Mr. Reuterdahl, the best of our marine artists, is furnishing original pictures for this series, which are also otherwise illustrated fully. A five page poem by Bliss Carman, "Father Hudson," has strong dramatic and poetic quality.

THE WORLD'S WORK FOR DECEMBER

The two most striking articles of the well-varied contents of the WORLD'S WORK for December are President Eliot's—of Harvard—article on "The Needs of American Public Education" and Frank W. Vanderlip's Conservative Note of Warning on the financial situation. The illustrated features of the WORLD'S WORK this month include a handsome series of reproductions of George Grey Barnard's sculpture printed in a brown-toned ink, accompanying an article about the sculptor and his work by Alexanker Blair Thaw. Other interesting illustrated articles are Forrest Crissey's story of the development of The Traveling Post Office, a complete description by Chalmers Roberts, of the work on the famous Nile Dam, and the inner history of the growth of Mormon Cooperation by Glen Miller. Portraits of John B. McDonald and Clement A. Griscom are accompanied by appreciative interpretations of the work these men have done, by Raymond Stevens and Lawrence Perry. Interviews with prominent employers in regard to profit sharing and Christmas gifts to employees are reported by Fullerton Waldo. Mr. Frederick A. Job, the chairman of the Illinois State Board of Arbitration tells of an interesting and successful experiment it has made in arbitrating labor troubles. Minna C. Smith tells about the new profession—production engineering. There is a striking article by the late Frank Norris concerning Our Neglected Epic—the Epic of the West. Albert Bigelow Paine, Joel Chandler Harris, Henry D. Sedgwick, Jr., and Sarah Beaumont Kennedy write of their personal preferences among recent books. The financial article on the Bonds of American Corporations, The March of Events and Among the World's Workers are as complete and interesting as usual.

A MAGNIFICENT CHRISTMAS ANNUAL

Country Life in America for December is a large Christmas annual with a beautiful cover and a hundred superb illustrations, and colored supplements besides. The spirit of jollity of the season pervades the bulky number of winter sports, unusual house parties, Christmas homes and many other things of winter at her best. Rudyard Kipling contributes the poem, "Pan in Vermont," deifying the man, who, in winter, brings the seeds of phlox and hollyhocks into the snowbound country where Kipling once lived. Eleanor Hoyt has written a story of another one of the "misdemeanors" of her adorable Nancy. Preeminent, however, is the profusion of elaborate pictures and the articles that have to do with hockey, skeeing and tobogganing, snowshoeing, ice yachting on country lakes, fishing through the ice, and even the homely sports of skating, skate-sailing and the pursuits that carry one into the deep woods. Among other important articles, with beautiful illustrations, "The Winter Fireside" deals with open fireplaces and vital problems for the "Country Home-Making" series; "A Florida House at Christmas Time" is suggestive of holiday ideals, and "The Sierra Club in Camp" details the delightful plan of Californians who seek the wildness of the snowcapped mountains one month of every summer; while "The Skimmer of the Seas" is a story, illustrated, of the peculiar habits of a waterfowl that has bewildered naturalists since Audubon; and James S. Metcalf writes a plan of sending city slum children to a "fresh air" farm. Altogether, the elaborate make-up bespeaks the grand success of this new sort of magazine, the growing love of sport in America, and the movement of the New World back to the garden and outdoor life of the Old.

SCRIBNER'S FOR DECEMBER.

The Christmas number of *Scribner's Magazine* has been always made notable by the richness and beauty of its pictures, and the fine quality of the sentiment and exquisite workmanship of its stories. The issues of this December number sustains and adds to that reputation. It contains eight short stories, most of them illustrated, and special articles and poems, among them a beautiful unpublished poem by Robert Louis Stevenson, written in 1872 when he was a young man. The poem shows the charm of Severson's style at the very outset of his career. The color-printing (in which *Scribner's* led the way years before it appeared in any other magazines) is especially beautiful in this number. The cover by Frank V. Du-Mond is in gold and nine colors, a charming, bright design typical of the holiday season. The most delicate piece of color- printing yet attempted by this Magazine is found in the illustrations by Jesse Wilcox Smith, which tell their own story without text of "A Mother's Days."

REVIEW OF REVIEWS.

In the *Review of Reviews* for December there is a comprehensive editorial summary of the political situation in all the States. The results of the November elections are carefully analyzed with reference to their bearings on national policies. The editor also discusses the proposition for the admission of new States in the Southwest—the first subject of debate at this session of Congress—and offers cogent reasons in support of the plan for the direct election of United States Senators. Other important topics of the month—in foreign as well as domestic politics—are treated with the *Review's* accustomed thoroughness and accuracy of judgment.

"The Mission of Dr. Lorenz to American Children," is the subject of an instructive article by Dr. V. P. Gibney, of New York, in the *Review of Reviews* for December. The methods of the great Austrian surgeon are clearly described, in terms which the general reader can understand.

There is an interesting character sketch of Gov. Benj. B. Odell, Jr., of New York, in the *Review of Reviews* for December. The writer, Robert H. Beattie, is the pastor of the church at Newburgh which Governor Odell and his father have attended for many years. He gives an intimate home-view of the governor's personality—a view that most of the newspaper writers and the politicians have failed to "catch."

The first full and authoritative account of the great Morgan ship "combine" appears in the *Review of Reviews* for December. Mr. Winthrop L. Marvin, the author of the new work on "The American Merchant Marine," is the writer. The article is illustrated with portraits of the chief personalities figuring in the "combine" and with pictures of the types of merchant ships operated by the several lines involved.

BLASTS FROM THE RAM'S HORN.

Hidden guilt is the most hurtful.

Big guns do not always get the big game.

Blank cartridges often make the most noise.

Justice seeks those who will not seek mercy.

True humillity bows lower as prosperity rises higher.

A gloomy religion is as misleading as a glistening sin.

Only the unworthy cause will use unworthy means.

It is hard to believe in a clean religion in a dirty church.

Every man reveals himself when he describes another.

We are too altruistic over duties and egotistic over rewards.

It takes two to make a quarrel, but only one may make peace.

The only way to flee the vengance of sin is to fear its venom.

Better to endure Satan's buffetting than to enjoy his banqueting.

God makes the gates of heaven and man cannot even measure them.

Many trust God for a crown and go right on worrying over crumbs.

Long wind with god will not counterbalance short weight with men.

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