NEW PUBLICATIONS.

HARPER.

The number opens with an interesting paper on some of the famous localities and antiquities of South Carolina in the vicinity of the Ashley and Cooper. Mr. Fields's chapters of pleasant gossip on Barry Cornwall and his friends are concluded with copious extracts from the correspondence of the former. It is an interesting fact noted by Mr. Fields that when Procter was obliged to travel about the kingdom as Commissioner of Lunacy, his pocket companion was always a cheap reprint of Emerson's "Essays," which he found such agreeable reading that he never left home without it. Longfellow's "Hyperion" was another of his favorite books during the years he was on duty as a commissioner. A succinct account of the "Progress of the Exact Sciences" in this country during the "First Century of the Republic" is given by President Barnard, in which may be found some interesting notices of eminent living scientific Americans. Of Professor Peirce, he speaks as follows: "Professor Benjamin Peirce, of Harvard University, a pupil and friend of Bowditch, still in the vigor of life, stands hardly second to his master in the originality and value of his contributions to mathematical literature. His *Analytic Mechanics*, which is professedly an attempt to consolidate the latest researches and the most exalted forms of thought of the great geometers into a consistent and uniform treatise, is more than it professes to be. It is rather an attempt—successfully accomplished—to carry back the fundamental principles of the science to a more profound and central origin, and thence to shorten the path to the most fruitful forms of research. The most remarkable and most original of Professor Peirce's publications is the description of a new mathematical method, called by him 'Linear Associative Algebra.' This method seems to be a step in the direction of quaternions, but a larger one. It therefore oversteps the power of human conception to grasp its essence, while its visible machinery is algebraic, and in the modes of its use it has analogies both with algebra and with quaternions. The method is of too recent origin to have been largely developed in its capabilities or tested in its applications." The services of our townsman, Mr. Lewis M. Rutherfurd, in the department of practical astronomy, are referred to in terms of just appreciation, and those of Dr. Henry Draper, in the same branch of science, are thus described: "Another American astronomer, whose ingenuity in the construction of instruments is no less remarkable than his skill in the use of them, Dr. Henry Draper, has devoted himself to the improvement of reflecting telescopes. The use of silvered glass for astronomical specula had been suggested by Foucault as being a material lighter and less brittle than speculum metal, and as reflecting a larger proportion of the light; and he had practically illustrated the value of this suggestion by actually grinding and silvering one or two such specula with his own hands. With no light to guide him but the knowledge of these facts, Dr. Draper undertook an investigation of the best mode of proceeding in the construction of such specula, recording the results of his experiments as he went on; and having at length attained a triumphant success he published his method among the *Smithsonian Contributions*, in an elaborate memoir, which has become a standard authority on the subject, and is continually quoted as such at the present day. The telescope described in this memoir is of fifteen and a half inches aperture, and it was for a long time the largest in the country; but it is now surpassed by one of twenty-eight inches, also constructed by Dr. Draper, and mounted in his observatory equatorially under a dome. With both these telescopes Dr. Draper has taken splendid photographs of the moon, one representing the satellite in the third quarter, which has borne an enlargement to fifty inches in diameter; and also the spectroscopic photographs of Alpha Lyræ." The original contributions of Professor Mayer to the science of "Sound" are noticed with a fullness of detail that is due to their signal importance. Among other statements on the subject, President Barnard remarks: "The only elaborate continuous series of investigations in acoustics which has been undertaken in this country has been conducted by Professor A. M. Mayer of Hoboken. The processes of Professor Mayer, which are themselves extremely ingenious, have led to many results of interest and value. It is a proposition deducible from theory, and was so announced by Döppler more than thirty years ago, that the undulations generated by a vibratory body in motion will be effectively shortened in the direction toward which the body moves, and lengthened in the opposite direction. This is true as well in optics as in acoustics, and it is upon the assumption of its truth that Mr. Huggins has founded his inferences as to the absolute velocities with which the fixed stars are approaching the earth or receding from it. It has first been experimentally proved in the researches of Professor Mayer. The double *sirene* of Helmholtz affords a convenient means of studying the effect of partial or complete interference between sound waves which differ in phase at the point of origin, but there has been hitherto no instrumental means devised for determining the amount of difference of phase which exists between two waves originating in a common phase at the same origin, but brought by different and unequal paths to the point of interference. This want Professor Mayer has supplied, and in doing so has at the same time provided the most exact mode hitherto devised of measuring the wave length corresponding to any pitch, and of ascertaining the velocity of sound in the air or in any gaseous medium. The determinations are made by means of the serrated flames in Kœnig's revolving mirrors, and their precision is secured by what is called a flame micrometer—as ingenious in conception as it is exact in its indications. The analysis of a composite note which Helmholtz accomplished by the use of his resonators, combined with Kœnig's manometric flames and revolving mirrors, was effected by Professor Mayer directly by connecting the arms of a number of steel tuning-forks by means of tightly stretched silk fibers with a membrane forming part of a reed pipe. On causing the pipe to speak, every fork whose tone forms a part of the note immediately sounded."

THE GALAXY.

The contents of the December number comprise, among other articles, the commencement of a new story by Miss Annie Howells, entitled "Reuben Dale," an article on Walter Savage Landor, by A. H. Guernsey, a discussion of the "Marriage Question," by Albert Rhodes, a critical essay on Balzac, by Henry James, jr., and a characteristic paper by Richard Grant White, entitled "Cynicasterism; an egotistical Dissertation on Dogs' Tails," in which Mr. White undertakes to avenge himself of his adversaries in the matter of David's Ninetieth Psalm, by "Moses the Man of God." There are also poems by William Winter, Paul Hayne, and Rose Lathrop.

INDIA AND ITS NATIVE PRINCES. TRAVELS IN CENTRAL INDIA, by LOUIS ROUSSELET, edited by Lieut.-Col. BUCKLE. 4to. pp. 579. Scribner, Armstrong, & Co.

The external array of this superb volume which might vie in luxury with the treasures of Solomon is in admirable keeping with the variety and interest of its contents. It is certain that no more attractive and beautiful specimens of engraving and letter-press will be found among the holiday offerings of the present season, but they are in no wise superior to the splendid descriptive sketches which form the staple of the work. Rarely has a volume borne the imprint of an American publisher, combining in so high a degree the best qualities of a library of information and a cabinet of Art. The author, M. Rousselet, has devoted many years to the study of the architectural monuments, the religious faith and worship, and the systems of civilization prevailing in the East, and has here presented the ripened fruits of his researches in a style no less remarkable for its elegance than its force. In the course of his extensive travels in the most important kingdoms and principalities of India, his attention was especially directed to the courts and countries of the native rulers, and to the social and domestic peculiarities of the primitive Oriental populations. The record of his experience affords a store of valuable knowledge, comprising a variety of novel and interesting details, in addition to the familiar facts presented in the reports of previous travelers. M. Rousselet embarked on his voyage of exploration and discovery at Marseilles in the Summer of 1864, arriving at Bombay in the early part of the month of July. His first impressions of the city were anything but favorable. The rain poured in torrents, and the ships and the shore, concealed by the mist, presented only a melancholy aspect. On leaving the steamer, he took his place in a boat rowed by half-a-dozen natives, almost entirely naked, who soon landed him on a handsome stone pier. There was no carriage or shelter in the neighborhood, and he was obliged to make his way through the mud to a hotel in a dark and narrow street, and repulsive with filth. This was kept by a Parsee, and although of wretched appearance was the best of the kind in Bombay. A portrait of the host is given on the margin of the page, whose grave and reverend physiognomy, with turban and spectacles, might easily be mistaken for that of an Oriental doctor of divinity, or a magistrate of some high court of judicature. After dinner, the traveler was accosted by an important looking personage, carefully dressed, whom he at first took for some rich gentleman of the country. He made the most energetic salams, and held forth in his hand a bundle of papers. These proved to be a recommendation of the possessor as one of the honestest men in the world, who solicited the privilege of being his servant. Although the certificate was no doubt a fabrication, such as are made to order in the market for a moderate sum, he engaged the services of the fellow at a good price, and found him indispensable, as in spite of the exorbitant charges of the hotel, attendance is never furnished, even at the table d'hôte. The famous bazaars of Bombay present a picturesque spectacle which the author describes in his most effective style. The tower of Babel could not have assembled a more complete collection of the human race. The city is the port of arrival for all who come from Persia, from Arabia, from Afghanistan, and the coast of Africa. It is the point of departure from Hindostan for the pilgrims bound to Mecca and other sacred places of the East. Beside the endless variety of the native races, you there see the Persian, with his high cap of Astrakan, the Arab, in his biblical costume, the Tomati negro, with his intelligent countenance, the Chinese, the Burmese, and the Malay. Palanquins, native carriages, surmounted by domes of red cloth, beneath which dusky beauties conceal themselves, pass by, drawn by magnificent oxen from Surat, as well as handsome open carriages from London or Paris. The street is bordered by small booths, the flooring of which, raised several feet above the pathway, serves for counter and stall. The most diverse branches of industry are there displayed side by side. The charming little boxes of sandal-wood, covered with delicate carvings, or with brilliant inlaid work, are here manufactured by myriads of half-naked artisans. Here are the famous Arab stables, from which come all the costly horses used in the island, and which for the sportsman form one of the most interesting places of resort. The coffee houses facing them present a very singular appearance. All day long you see these Arabs, Negroes, Bedouins, squatting on couches of rope drawn up alongside the shops and quaffing aromatic drinks or smoking their long pipes. The Persians, in their long caps, assemble in the shops where they devour enormous balls composed of flour, sugar, and milk, and at the corners of streets the natives of Cabul, in their long and dirty linen smocks and blue turbans, regale themselves frugally on dried dates. The quays are covered with all the rich products of Asia, buffalo-horns, tortoise-shells, elephant-tusks, bags of coffee, pepper, and fragrant spices. In like manner, the author passes through other scenes of deepest interest in Central India, presenting a series of life-like sketches of the peculiar customs and character of the people, and evincing equal powers of observation, acuteness of discrimination, and skill in description. His work is no less instructive than entertaining. It gives you the fresh and vivid impressions of a visit to the country, without the dust and heat and pestilent insects of the journey. 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1. WATER AND WATER SUPPLY. By W. H. CORFIELD, M. D. 12mo. pp. 145. D. Van Nostrand & Co.
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Western Union
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100.....2
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100.....73½
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Pac R of Mo
200.....bc. 13¾
Ohio and Miss
100.....bc. 19½
100.....19¾
500.....c. 19⅝
100.....b3. 19⅝
700.....19½
200.....19⅞
200.....19⅞
300.....19⅞
200.....19⅞
1,100.....19⅞
500.....b3. 19⅝
300.....c. 19⅝
C, C & I C
250.....5¼
50.....5

GOVERNMENT STOCK DEPARTMENT—10¼ O'CLOCK AND 11½ O'CLOCK A. M.

U S 6s, Coupon, 1881
5,000.....12..122¾
5,000.....122⅞
U S 5-20 Coupon, 1867
2,000.....12.121⅞
U S 5-20 Registered, 1867
5,000.....bce.121½
U S 5s, 1881, Registered
10,000.....115½

FIRST BOARD—10½ O'CLOCK A. M.

Sales of State Bonds—Railroad Bonds—Bank and Railroad Shares—Express Stocks, &c.

Missouri 6s, L B
7,000.....102⅝
1,000.....102¾
Dist of Columbia 3.65s
1,000.....70¼
Chesa and Ohio 1st, ex coupon
1,000.....85
Chic, Bur & Q 8s
5,000.....116½
N J Cent 1st, New
4,000.....113⅝
Mil and St Paul C Sink Fund
6,000.....80
21,000.....bc. 81
Mil and St Paul 7s, 3-10 Conv
2,000.....93⅛
Mil and St Paul C and M Div
10,000.....bc. 85
Michigan Cen 7s
7,000.....101⅝
Morris & Ess 1st Con
19,000.....bc.107
Lehigh and W B, Consol
1,000.....bc. 96
Chic and N W Con Coup G B
16,000.....bc. 87¾
Harlem 1st, 7s Con
3,000.....111¾
32,000.....111⅝
Ohio and Miss 2d
6,000.....71
Ohio and Miss Con
4,000.....bc. 92½
Cent Pacific Gold Bonds
4,000.....104⅛
Union Pacific 1st
2,000.....104
Union Pac 7s, L G
7,000.....99¾
Pacific R of Mo 2d
2,000.....65
St Louis and I M 1st
6,000.....92
Tol and Wab 2d
5.....48
Mercantile Bank
20.....107
Del and Hudson
50.....121
Prod Consol L and Pet Co
100.....bc. 91½
Western Union
1,000.....bc. 75½
300.....75½
100.....810. 75½
75.....75⅞
1,200.....c. 75⅝
400.....b5. 75¼
600.....75⅞
900.....75⅞
1,000.....83. 75⅞
300.....75⅞
700.....c. 75⅞
Pacific Mail
500.....40¼
100.....b5. 40¼
700.....40⅜
800.....40¼
400.....83. 40¼
Pacific Mail
800.....bc83. 40
1,000.....40⅛
2,500.....40
900.....c. 40
300.....c. 40⅜
500.....40¼
1,100.....40⅛
1,000.....40
2,500.....40⅛
400.....40¼
300.....c. 40
1,000.....40
600.....c. 40
500.....39⅞
100.....40
1,300.....40
1,500.....40⅛
1,200.....40¼
200.....83. 40⅞
300.....4½
American Express
45.....58½
Adams Express
16.....bc.103
U S Express
10.....bc. 54
300.....55
N Y Cent and Hud
10c.....bcb.1 5
8.....105⅛
Erie Railway
200.....bc. 16⅝
600.....16¾
600.....b5. 16¾
50.....16⅞
200.....b4. 16⅞
100.....c. 16⅞
Mich Central
100.....83. 66
Lake Shore
10.....bc. 61⅝
400.....61⅞
100.....b5. 62
100.....c. 62
800.....61⅞
100.....b4. 62¼
25.....62
100.....b3. 62⅛
100.....b5. 62
100.....61⅞
300.....61⅞
100.....62
Illinois Central
10.....bc. 92
Union Pacific
600.....bc. 73
100.....73¼
100.....b15. 73½
100.....73¼
100.....c. 73
400.....73½
200.....c. 73½
100.....73
100.....c. 72⅞
9.....73
Rock Island
75.....bc.104½
North-Western
12.....59¼
100.....bc. 59
600.....b3. 59¼
1,800.....59¼
1,100.....59⅛
100.....83. 59⅛
1,300.....b4. 59
200.....b4. 59⅛
9.....59
2,100.....59½
3.....59⅝
300.....83. 59½
300.....59⅝
North-Western
700.....59¼
200.....83. 59⅛
1.....59¼
North-West Pref
100.....b5. 53¾
2.....53¾
Lake Shore
100.....b3. 62
100.....61⅞
700.....61⅞
Union Pacific
200.....c. 72¼
Pittsburgh
9.....89½
North-Western
200.....59¼
Western Union
2.....83. 75½
Pacific Mail
2,100.....40
1,000.....40⅛
2,500.....40
1,000.....40⅛
2,000.....40⅛
1,000.....40⅛
600.....40⅛
1,000.....40⅛
2,000.....40⅛
1,000.....40⅛
2,000.....40⅛
1,000.....40⅛
2,000