LITERARY NOTES.

An edition of Sylvanus Cobb's novels, which have never appeared in book form, is announced by Cassell.

The German Emperor has not allowed his illness to dampen his interest in the continuation of the voluminous work on the Grand Elector, of which, thus far, eleven volumes are completed. This grand historical undertaking was proposed and originated by him, who made the first suggestions to the historians, Duncker and Droysen, and outlined the details of the work. At present the twelfth volume is in hand, the material for which is taken from the family and State archives, thus, according to his intention, furnishing a standard work for present and future historians, which, it is much to be hoped, he may live to see completed.

The superintendent of the Buffalo library is editing the David Gray memorial volume and is writing the biographical sketch which is to be included in it. It will be published in the autumn.

Twenty-two editions of the May number of "The North American Review" have been issued. It was Mr. Gladstone's article on Colonel Ingersoll's ideas that caused this unprecedented sale.

Every lover of Thackeray will mentally lift his hat to Mr. R. L. Stevenson as he reads in the forthcoming "Scribner" his statement that "if the art of being a gentleman were forgotten like the art of staining glass, it might be learned anew through that one character. It is learned there, I dare say, daily."

A handsome reprint in an octavo volume of a series of controversial pamphlets for and against the Constitution of the United States is announced by Mr. Paul L. Ford. He has edited these reminders of the last century with notes and a bibliography, and has limited the edition to 500 copies.

Commodore R. B. Forbes, of Boston, has written a "History of American Yachting," which will be published in a few days. If practical knowledge qualifies a man for writing a good book, this will surely be an admirable one.

It is said that the late Dean Stanley, though curiously careless of the sale of his works, was very much alive to the distinction of being reprinted in the Tauchnitz library. He coveted it strongly, though he never attained it, and was often heard to express his envy of Frederick Robertson, of Brighton (four volumes of whose sermons are in the famous series), and his ambition to be equally fortunate and equally widely read.

Mr. Brett, the Macmillans' agent in New-York, writes to THE TRIBUNE that Matthew Arnold's volume, "Friendship's Garland," is still to be had in the American edition, it being a part of the Uniform Edition, intended exclusively for sale in this country, and issued during the author's first visit here.

"The London Academy" "does not doubt" that as soon as copyright has been gained in the United States, all novels will first appear in a cheap, paper-covered form. Probably; and the receipts of authors will be much larger than they are now.

General James Grant Wilson has just presented to Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, one of his manuscript treasures, the "Consecration Sermon," preached by Samuel Provoost, first Bishop of the Diocese of New-York, at the opening of this church on Christmas morning, 1774. Trinity was the church attended by General Wilson's father half a century ago.

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Beans, bbls	242	Oats, bush	81,000	Cut meats, pks	3,072
Beeswax, pk	5	Malt, bush	10,000	Lard, pkgs	1,088
Cotton, bales	5,660	Oatmeal, bbls	125	Lard, kegs	424
Cotton seed oil, bbls	72	Grease, pkgs	202	Butter, pkgs	8,131
Cotton seed meal, bags	3,119	Hides, bales	135	Cheese, pkgs	1,847
Cotton seed meal, bbls	18	Hops, bales	386	D Hogs, No.	18
Cotton seed meal, sacks	47	Istle, bales	14,746	Rice, pkgs	209
Copper, bbls	4,610	Leather, sid's	16	Rice chaff, bags	200
Cotton seed oil, bbls	130	Moss, bales	125	Silk, pkgs	735
Cotton seed oil, pkgs	1	Molasses, bls	551	Starch, pkgs	775
Cotton seed oil, bbls	15	Spirits turp, bbls	962	Steearine, pkg	131
Eggs, bbls	2,117	Rosin, bbls	2,000	Tallow, pkgs	39
Eggs, cases	4,511	Oil cake, pkg	46	Tobacco, hds	49
Flour, pkgs	14,855	Oil, lub, bbls	40	Tobacco, pkgs	364
C Meal, bbls	150	Oleo stock, pkgs	300	Whisky, bbls	527
C Meal, bags	1,830	Pork, pkgs		Wool, bales	1
Wheat, bush	48,300			Sponges, bal	

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

BUILDING MATERIALS—Selling moderately at previous figures. Quotations: Crotons, brown, $14@$15; dark and red, $15@$16; Trenton and Philadelphia front, slongside pier, $27@28; Jerseys, $5 50@$6 50; Pale, $2 50@$3; Haverstraw hard, afloat, $6 75@$7 75; Up River hard, $6@$6 50; Rockland Common Lime, 95c@$1; Finishing, $1 10@$1 20; Goats' Hair, 32@35c per bush.; Cattle Hair, 21@22c; Cement, $2 15@$2 45 for round lots American Portland; English Portland, $2 20@$2 50; Rosendale, $1 10@$1 15 per bbl; Lath, $2@$2 25 per m.

COTTON—While quotations for spot lots are not changed the market was an easy one, a small movement. Sales, 425 bales, of which 132 were for export and the balance for consumption. At the ports the receipts aggregated 9,161 bales yesterday, comparing with 5,642 bales this day last week, and 2,541 for the corresponding day a year ago. Since September 1 (the beginning of the crop year) the receipts have reached 5,275,109 bales, against 5,129,513 bales for the same period last year.

Quotations based on American standard of classification are:

	Uplands.	Gulf.		Uplands.	Gulf.
Ordinary	7 5-16	7 7-16	Low Middling	8 7-8	
Strict Ordinary	7 13-16	7 15-16	Middling	9 11-16	
Good Ordinary	8 3-4	8 7-8			
Strict Good Ordinary	9 1-4	9 3-8			
Low Middling	9 5-8	9 3-4			
Strict Low Middling	9 7-8	10			
Middling	10 1-16	10 3-16			
Good Middling	10 5-16	10 7-16			
Strict Good Middling	10 5-8	10 3-4			
Middling Fair	11	11 1-8			
Fair	11 5-8	11 3-4			

STAINED.

Good Ordinary	7 1-4	Low Middling	8 7-8
Strict Good Ordinary	7 15-16	Middling	9 11-16

In the option line there was moderate activity at a decline, the market closing easy with prices 5@8 points below the previous day. Total sales, 54,900 bales.

Months.	Closing prices.	Highest.	Lowest.	Sales.
May	9.84@9.86	9.89	9.86	1,500
June	9.92@9.93	9.97	9.93	9,000
July	10.01@10.02	10.06	10.01	7,100
August	10.08@10.09	10.13	10.08	25,100
September	9.69@9.70	9.74	9.69	4,300
October	9.41@9.42	9.43	9.42	900
November	9.32@9.33	9.36	9.32	2,000
December	9.33@9.34	9.39	9.33	2,700
January	9.46@9.41	9.43	9.40	1,800
February	9.48@9.49	9.48	9.48	500

COFFEE—Brazil styles were firmly held on the basis of 15c. for fair Rio spot invoices. Sales, 2,400 bags spot, 13 1-4c; 1,000 bags No. 7 Santos, to be shipped, 13 1-2c; 2,000 bags No. 6 do, 14 1-4c; 500 bags No. 7 Rio, 12 3-4c. The milder styles were firm. Sales, 1,200 bags Maracaibo and 300 bags Savanilla on private terms, and 3,400 Mats Java at about 18c.

The option market was active with the chief trading in near months on covering by the short interest. Total sales, 90,000 bags. Final prices represented an advance of 50 points on May and 15@25 points on later near months.

Months.	Closing prices.	Highest.	Lowest.	Sales Bags.
January	9.85@10.00			
February	9.95@10.00			
March	10.00@10.05	10.05	10.05	250
April	10.00@10.05			
May	12.60@12.65	12.65	12.25	8,250
June	11.95@12.00	12.00	11.70	29,500
July	11.20	11.20	10.95	20,000
August	10.55@10.60	10.55	10.40	12,500
September	10.15@10.20	10.15	9.95	6,000
October	9.95@10.00	10.00	99.90	2,750
November	9.95@10.00	9.95	9.85	2,000
December	9.95@10.00	9.95	9.90	8,750

COCOA—Selling moderately at previous quotations. Guayaquil, 14@14 1-2c; Bahia, 15 1-2c; Trinidad, 16@17c; Caracas, 18@19c; Cuaca, 25@26c; Maracaibo, 28@28 1-2c.

CHICORY—Quiet and unchanged. Barry's Granulated English, 8 1-4@8 3-8c; B and C Granulated German, 6 3-4@6 1-2c; Hauswaldt's Paper, 5 5-8c.

COOPERAGE STOCK—Dull but steady. Molasses Shooks and Heads, $2@$2 15; Sugar Shooks and Heads, 33 inch, $1 75@$1 85; 36 inch, $1 50@$1 60; Old Shooks and New Heads, 33 inch, $1 25@$1 35; 36 inch, $1 10@$1 20; Old Shooks without Heads, 80@85c; Rum Shooks and Heads, $3 65@$3 75; Rum Pipes, $6@$6 50; Empty Hogsheads, $2 25@$2 30; Hoops, 14 feet, 29@32c; 12 feet, 26@27c.

COFFEE—Moderately active. Manila, 11 3-4c, and Sisal, 10 3-4c.

DRUGS, DYES, &c.—There is no demand for large lots, but a fair movement can be noted in jobbery parcels. Alcohol well held at $2 12@$2 15 for grain and $1 90 for deg 98@98 per cent wood. Borax fairly active but unchanged at 9@11c. Cocaine firmly held at $3@$3 25 for sulphate. Camphor active at 62@62 1-2c for bbls and 27@27 1-2c for cases. Cutch quiet and easy at 6@6 1-2c for spot. Bleaching Powder dull at $1 82 1-2@$1 90. Ginger firm; cut of the many other interesting spots in the Rocky Mountains. Jamaica at 15@18c; Domestic at 14@ 14 1-2c. Morphine dull and easy at $2 75@$2 85 for sights. Opium weak at $3@$3 12 1-2. Quicksilver lower, closing at 59@58c. Quinine weaker at 31@32c for foreign. Sugar of lead is moving moderately at 7 1-2@ 8c for Brown and 13c as a basis for White. Senega Root dull; quoted at 44@45c for Western. Ginseng, $1 75@ $2; Oil Peppermint, 65@75c. Peppermint Leaves, $1@$1 75; Oil Peppermint, 65@75c. Peppermint Leaves, $1@$1 85 for Western. Glycerine, 18 1-2c for bbls and drums, and 19 1-2@20 1-2c for cases.

FISH—The demand for mackerel is light, but values are maintained owing to the light supply: Cod selling fairly; Bloaters, $20@$28; Shore Mackerel No. 1, $19@ $20; No. 2, $16@$18; No. 3, $14 50@$15; Cod, Georges, $4 25@$4 50; Grand Bank, $3 50@$3 75. Boneless Cod—Georges, 5 1-2@6c per lb; Grand Bank, 4 1-2@5c. Box Herring, Medium Scale, 20@22c; No. 1, 16@17c. Barrelled Herring, Nova Scotia Split, $5@$5 25; Labrador Split, $4 50@$4 75; Dutch, 55@57 1-2c, and full White Hoops, 65@67 1-2c.

FOREIGN AND CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—In fair demand at irregular prices. Malaga Raisins, new loose Two-Crown, per box, $1 85@$1 95; London Layer, $2 85; Sultanas, 7@14c; Dates, Fard, in boxes, 4 1-2@ 4 3-4c; cases, 6c; Citron, Leghorn, 18c; Prunes, Turkish, old, 2 3-4c; new, 8 9-16c; Almonds, Ivica, 13 1-4@13 1-2c; Brazil Nuts, 4 1-4@5c; Walnuts, Naples, 12@12 3-4c; Filberts, Sicily, 8 3-8@8 1-2c; Macaroni, Italian, lb pkgs, 7 1-2@8c; Tapioca, 4 3-8@5 1-2c; Sardines, 15@16 1-2c for halves, and 9@11 1-2c for quarters.

FOREIGN GREEN FRUITS—Oranges are easy, but Lemons and Bananas are firm. Lemons, choice, 300's Sicily, $2 50@$3; fancy 300's, Messina, $3 50@$4; choice 300's, Sicily, $2 60@$2 75; fancy 300's, Messina, $3@$3 25; fair to good, Sicily, $2 50; Oranges, Valencia, 420's, $4 75@$5; Sicily, 200's@220's, $2 75@$3 25; Sicily 150's, $3@$3 25; fancy 200's, $3 50@$4; Jamaica, $7@$8; Bananas, Aspinwall, firsts, per bunch, $1 50@$1 75; seconds, $7 1-2@$8; Jamaica, $1@$1 50; Baracoa, red, 75c@ $1 25; yellow, $1@$1 37 1-2; Port Limon, selected, $2 25 @$2 50; first run, $1 87 1-2@$2; seconds, $1@$1 12 1-2; Cocoanuts, Porto Rico, $33; Baracoa, per M, $25 50@$27; St. Andreas, $30; San Blas, $31@$35.

FLOUR AND MEAL—FLOUR—The market rules firm, and in some cases a trifle higher. The feature of the business was the large buying of medium flour grades, and choice and fancy patents. The former were taken by shippers and the latter by the home trade. Sales, 24,700 bbls., including 2,000 bbls. City Mill Extra, at $4 65@$4 80 for West Indies, latter in new packages, and Patents, $4 60@$5 10; 1,400 bbls. Fine at $2 05@$2 95; 1,300 bbls. Superfine at $2 30@$2 90, latter an extreme; 1,500 bbls. Low Extra at $2 85@$3 40; 7,600 bbls. Winter Wheat Extra, at $2 85@$3 10, and exceptional lots at $5 25; 11,200 bbls. Minnesota Extra at $4 85@$5 10. Included in the sales were 11,200 bbls. taken by exporters. Quotations, Superfine, $2 45@$3 10, latter an extreme. Fine, $2 05@$2 75; City Mill Extra at $4 65@$4 80; W. I. and Patent, $4 60@$5 10; Low Extras, $2 85@$3 40. Winter Wheat—Low Grades, $2 85@$3 10; Fair to Very Choice, $3 55@$4 60; Patents, $4 40@$4 90; Patents, Fancy, $5@ $5 10, and very fancy, $5 25. Spring Wheat—Low Extras, $2 85@$3 40; Clear, $3 50@$4 30; Rye Mixtures, $3 60@ $4 30; Straights, $3 80@$4 40; Patents, Medium to Choice, $4 30@$4 85; Patents, Fancy, $4 90@$5 10. Market closed steady. . . SOUTHERN FLOUR—Moderately active and steady. Sales, 975 bbls., including Common to Fair Extra, $3 30@$4 10; Good to Fancy, $4 20@$5 10. . . . RYE FLOUR—Has a moderate demand. Sales, 460 bbls. Superfine at $3 35@$3 75, latter fancy. . . . CORN MEAL—Steady and quiet. Yellow Western quoted at $2 95@ $3 45 and Brandywine at $3 45.

GRAIN.—WHEAT—Was devoid of features to-day, and the changes did not amount to more than 3-8@5-8c. The option dealings were less general, and principally of a scalping character. The market was steady and prices soon advanced 1-4@1-2c, with covering by shorts. Later in the afternoon a weaker feeling sprung up, leading to a reaction of 1-8@1-4c closing steady. Nothing was accomplished for shipment. Sales, 2,216,000 bushels future, 4,500 bushels spot, including Ungraded Red 93 1-4@ 94 1-4c; No. 2 Red quoted at 94@94 1-2c elevator, 97@ 97 1-4 delivered; No. 2 Red May, 94 5-16@94 13-16, closing at 94 1-2; do June, 93 5-8@94 3-16, closing at 94; do July, 93 7-8@94 3-8, closing at 94 1-4; do August, 93 1-4@93 3-4, closing at 93 5-8; do September, 93 1-2@94, closing at 93 7-8; do October, closing at 94 3-4; do November, 95 1-4 @95 3-8, closing at 95 3-8; do December, 95 7-8@96 3-8, closing at 96 1-4; do May, 1889, $1 00@$1 00 1-4, closing at $1 00 1-4.

RYE—Dull and nominal. . . . BARLEY—Dull and unchanged. . . . BARLEY MALT—Dull and nominal. . . . CORN—Cash receipts declined 1-4@1-2c a bushel, leading to an increased business, closing heavily. Exporters took 88,000 bushels. Options broke 3-8@5-8c, and after a few slight changes closed weak at the lowest prices. Sales, 480,000 bushels future, 149,000 bushels spot, including Ungraded Mixed at 66@66 1-2c; No. 3, 65c Steamer, 65 1-4@65 3-4c elevator, 66 1-2@65 3-4c delivered, 65 3-4c to arrive delivered; No. 2, 65 3-4@66c elevator, 65 1-4@65 3-4c delivered to arrive. No. 2 May 64c, closing at 65c; do June, 62 1-2@62 7-8, closing at 62 1-2c; do July 62 3-4@63 3-8c, closing at 62 3-4c; do August, 63 1-8@ 63 5-8c, closing at 63 1-8c; do September, 63 1-8@63 5-8c, closing at 63 1-8c; do October, 63 1-4@63 5-8c, closing at 63 1-4c; do November, 61 3-4@61 7-8c, closing at 61 3-4c. . . . OATS—Spot ruled steady, though there was less life to the trading. Options opened firm, afterward declined 1-8@1-4, closing dull. Sales, 190,000 bushels future, 80,000 bushels spot, including No. 3 at 37 1-2; do White, 43; No. 2, 38@ 38 1-2; do White, 43 1-2@44; No. 1 White, 45; Mixed Western, 37@39 1-2; White do, 42@46 1-2. No. 2 May, 38@38 1-4, closing at 38; do June, 38 1-4@38 5-8, closing at 38 1-4; do July, 38 3-4@39, closing at 38 3-4; do White May, 42 1-2@43, closing at 42 1-2; do June 42 3-8@42 1-2, closing at 42 1-2; do July, 42 1-2@42 5-8, closing at 42 1-2. . . . FEED—Firm and unchanged.

GUNNY CLOTH—Dull and nominal. Quotations as follows: 5 5-8c for 1 1-2 lb, 6c for 1 3-4 lb, and 6 1-2c for 2 lb.

HEMP AND JUTE—There is little business passing, but values are without change. Quotations: Manila hemp, spot, 9c; Sisal hemp, 8 1-4c; butts, 1 7-8c; for paper, 2@2 1-16c for mixing, and 2 1-8@2 1-4c for bagging quality.

HIDES—Values are firmly maintained. Buenos Ayres Dry, 20@23-lb, 16c; Matamoras, Dry Salted, 24@28-lb, 9c; Buenos Ayres Cow, Wet Salted, 46@50-lb, 8 1-2c.

HAY AND STRAW—While values are well held, the demand is not specially active.

HOPS—Buyers showed a trifle more interest in the market at, however, previous quotations. New-York State, crop of 1887, best, 13c; do, medium, 11@12c; do, common, 9@10c; do, old, 4@6c; Pacific Coast, crop 1887, common to choice, 8@12c; do, 1886, common to good, 4@ 6c; Germans, crop of 1887, 19@22c.

LEATHER—A concession on the lower qualities has stimulated the demand for these, but prime goods are quiet. . . HEMLOCK—NON-ACID—Buenos Ayres, Light, first selection, 19c; Middle do., 20c; Heavy do., 20c; Light Seconds, 17c; Middle do., 17 1-2c; Heavy do., 18c; Damaged, all weights, 15 1-2c; Common Hide, Light, first selection, 16 1-2@17c; Middle do., 19c; Heavy do., 19@ 19 1-2c; Light Seconds, 15@15 1-2c; Middle do., 17@ 17 1-2c; Heavy do., 17@17 1-2c; Damaged, all weights, 14 1-2@15c; Rejects, 10@11c. . . . ACID HIDES—Light, first selection, 16 1-2@17c; Middle do., 18 1-2@20c; Heavy do., 19@23c; Light Seconds, 15 1-2@16c; Middle do., 18 1-2@19c; Heavy do., 16 1-2@18c; Damaged, all weights, 14@14 1-2c. . . . UNION TANNED—Light backs, 29@30c; Middle backs, 28@30c; Middle backs, heavy, 29 @30c; Light crop, 25@27c; Bellies, 11@13c. . . . CALCUTTA BUFFALO—Light, 15@16c; Middle, 15@16c; Damaged, 13@14c; Poor Damaged, 10@11 1-2c.

MOLASSES—Boiling stock is dull at 20 1-2c for 50 tests.

METALS.—PIG IRON—The demand continues light and values are easier. No. 1 X Foundry, $19 50@$20 50; No. 2 X $17@$19, and $15 for Gray Forge; Colonsay, $20 25@$20 50; Glengarnock $20@$20 25; Gartsherrie, $20@$20 50; Summerlee, $20@$20 50; Eglington, $18 75@ $19; Langloan, $19 50@$20; Dalmellington, $19@$19 50, and Clyde, $19 50@$20. . . . TIN—Dull and unchanged. Sales, 10 tons June, 16c. . . . COPPER—Steady and only moderately active. Sales, 20,000 lb at 16 1-2c for May, and 16.40c for October. . . . LEAD—Dull and weak. Sales, 16 tons June, 4.47 1-2c. Spelter nominal.

NAVAL STORES—Spirits Turpentine were in light demand and were offered at 36c. Rosins steady but unchanged. Quotations: Strained, $1 15@$1 17 1-2, Good Strained $1 20, E $1 25@$1 27 1-2, F $1 30@$1 32 1-2, G $1 37 1-2, H $1 40, I $1 50, K $1 62 1-2@$1 65, M $1 85, N $2 35, W. G. $2 95@$3, W. W. $3 37 1-2.

OILS—Cottonseed continues quite active, but the market otherwise is without feature of moment. Sales, 100 bbls Summer Yellow off color at 40 1-2c; 150 bbls Prime Crude at 37 1-2c. Cocoanut easy. Sales, 60 tons Ceylon at less than 3 1-4c. Cottonseed Crude, 37 1-2@38c, Summer Yellow Prime, 43c, Summer White, 44@45c. Cocoanut—Ceylon 5 1-4c, Cochin, 6 1-4c. Cod—Domestic 33c, Foreign 35@36c; Linseed—Raw, City 56c, Western 54c; Foreign 55@60c; Lard—Prime, Present Make, 63@64c, Menhaden—Crude, Sound 28c. Light Pressed 31c, Bleached Winter 33@34c, Bleached Spring 33c, Extra Bleached 34c; Sperm—Crude 98@70c, Natural Winter 68@70c. Bleached Winter 73@ 75c, Bleached Spring 67@70c; Whale—Crude, Northern 36@38c, Natural Winter 41c, Bleached Winter 43c, Extra Bleached 45c; Sea Elephant—Bleached Winter 54@55c.

OCEAN FREIGHTS.—The demand for berth accommodation was rather better, but the entire market ruled dull. BERTH ENGAGEMENTS—To Liverpool steam hence, 24,000 bush grain, 1d; Glasgow steam hence, 10,000 bush grain, 5-8d. London steam hence, 32,000 bush grain, 1d.