

SOME NEW BOOKS.

Emerson's Journals.

That the boy is father to the man seems... Emerson's Journals, edited by Edward Waldo Emerson and Waldo Emerson Forbes (Houghton Mifflin Company). Of these journals, hitherto unpublished, which Emerson began when he was a boy at Harvard College and continued during fifty years, the first volume, running from 1820 to 1824, and the second volume, running from 1824 to 1828, are issued.

doxy. The old serpent, he said, was at work deceiving man. He could not but think people behaved about as well now as their fathers did; but then Mr. Biaby, the Universalist minister of Brookfield, is a cunning fox, and by and by he and his hosts will show what and how bad they really are. My good landlord's philanthropic conclusion was that there was a monitor within, and if we minded that, no matter how we speculated.

Next day was Sunday, and Emerson, resting in South Brookfield, entered in his journal a few observations concerning Bacon "the Prince of philosophers." On Monday afternoon at Clapp's Hotel in Belchertown he recorded matter that we found of interest. Looking back upon scenes that he had left set down: "After noticing the name of Mr. Rice upon the hat store, upon the blacksmith shop and upon the Inn of South Brookfield, I made inquiries of my landlord and learned that this omnitrader was he himself, who, moreover, owned two lines of stages!"

was celebrated at the Archbishop's private chapel at 4 o'clock in the morning and the entire Diplomatic Corps attended in full uniform. The Mexicans have a saying to the effect that no one knows Mexico until he has experienced an earthquake there and passed through a revolution. Mr. Foster was there during the revolution which resulted in the overthrow of President Lerdo de Tejada in 1876 and the triumph of Gen. Porfirio Diaz, under whose intelligent rule Mexico has since attained so high a degree of peace and prosperity.

he cannon from all the fortresses of the capital were booming the news of another addition to the imperial family. The Empress was then very unpopular because she had not borne a male child. This second mission of Mr. Foster's to Russia was a sequel to the Bering Sea fur seal arbitration at Paris four years earlier, in which he was the agent for the United States. The decision was adverse to this country, but he was in no wise chargeable with the unfavorable result.

diplomatic experience and his life in Washington. His autobiography ends with an optimistic note of cheerfulness. He declares that all his most laborious and successful work has been done since he was 50. "The retrospect of a life of more than three-score years and on occasions much satisfactory, and little regret, thanks to kind Providence, a favoring Government and a host of friends."

and body of the sluggishness which an equable temperature is inclined to engender. The stern pioneer life with its savage Indian warfare and his hard labor to reclaim the soil, a life which existed on the American frontier for 300 years, has been an important factor in developing the national character. Determination, endurance and optimism were qualities indispensable to survival under those conditions.