

SOME NEW BOOKS.

Though he restricts himself to only a portion of the Guinea coast there is no lack of picturesque and exciting adventures... Ashanti.

Which comment leads Dr. Claridge to express strong objection to what he calls the too rapid civilization of the savage and to expatriate on the harm done by missionaries and philanthropists.

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Down in the sixteenth century the Portuguese posts in Africa were disturbed at times by English and other pirates; they were neglected by their Government, and by Spain when it absorbed Portugal.

Chapters in Hoosier History.

This being the centennial year of Indiana's Statehood, Julia Higginson Lyvestro has appropriately prepared a book which is an excellent edition of her 'Historic Indiana' (Putnam), first published in 1909.

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THE WIDOW'S MITE.

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Seven weeks after leaving New Zealand the relief crew sighted the Discovery: 'At midnight, through the quivering mirage, as proof that we also were observed [across a ten mile wide ice field] a large Union Jack fluttered on the mast of the ship at Hut Point.'

Taxes in 1816: On 100 acres of best land, \$1, on each bond servant over 12 years of age, \$3, on each horse or mule, 25 cents.

Capt. Doory's Admirable Supplement to the Records of Polar Expedition. The Morning, the relief ship that was wrecked on the Antarctic, and the party in the Discovery in 1902-03 and 1903-04, had come north to New Zealand after their first voyage and was lying at Lyttelton.

THE ICE KING.

Down in the dead stillness, cut off from the world, alone. Held in the grip of the Ice King on the steps of his crystal throne.

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POEMS WORTH READING.

Walsingham Way, they say, leads to the shrine of the Mother. Leads to the Virgin's shrine, that altar hallowed and fair.

The mist of twilight merge in the shadows of the night. Where the grumbling billows surge are fangs of ghastly white.

White and mellow and true. It leads to the old old goal. Path for a soul to sail straight, To the promise that shall not fail.

The Womphip.

Ever have I been a womphip. Of all the changing gods. Strange beings in the twilight have I seen.

I have heaped the red fire of Moloch in the forests. And named them for the shrines of the White Christ.

Perchance a pleasant trip we view Tomorrow when it is today. The shadows with the sunshine play; And if clouds come our hopes to slay.

There are dates of all kinds And conditions a plenty. But the date to my mind, One to be valued, Aug. 20.

There's the date of the palm That the Belouin prizes. In the desert's hot calm There is shade where it rises.

There's the date with a maid For the theatre and dinner. Make a double 'X' for a sign. Till it couldn't look thinner.

There's the date when Colum. But held across the Atlantic. And buried a cold bomb. At presumptions pelagic.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Two readers say that 'Ile of Beauty' is to be found in 'The Aborigine Academy Song Book,' published by Ginn & Co. and used in various Brooklyn schools.

Joseph Kearns, who asks for a definition between two sets of definitions of city, town, village and hamlet, must be apprised that both sets are incorrect.

To the inquirer who doubts the possibility of engraving the alphabet upon the head of a pin it is only necessary to say that the Lord's Prayer, 250 characters, has been written on a pinhead.

SMALL SALARIES IN JAPAN.

Dr. Takata, Minister of Education, has recently published a popular book on the economic conditions of the food values, proteins, hydro-carbons, etc., in various articles of general consumption, showing where and how the highest nutrition is obtained at the lowest cost.

OLD JAPANESE IMAGE.

Who publishes the translation of the 'Memoirs of a Physician' by Veres-Bayer? The publisher is Alfred A. Knopf, 220 West Forty-second street, New York.

William Kamatae will find the ballad of the lone fishball on page 432 of 'Heart Songs,' published by the Chapple Publishing Company of Boston. It is in most of the Japanese song books.

I have three cent pieces of 1845 and 1848 in good condition. Are they worth more than six cents? E. W. C.

Was Matthew Arnold ever knighted? No.

Who first used the phrase 'art for art's sake'? F. W. C.

English usage is to employ an oblique vowel of sound, in the cases you instance the vowel is only apparent, mere an unobscured character. The sound is a consonant.

OLD WEST LIVES AGAIN.

We rolled into Pendleton, Ore. to be greeted by familiar voices as we swung off the train, says Charles W. Furison in Harper's Magazine.