

SOME NEW BOOKS.

A British Life of Abraham Lincoln. Prefaces and introductions are perhaps the best read of all printed matter...

dent's exact portion of credit, and concludes that Lincoln probably "outmaneuvered Seward and the Cabinet into full acceptance of the British debt..."

"Boston Hymn." Thomas Buchanan Read has "Sheridan's Ride" and "The Brave at Home." Stedman is represented by "Cavalry Song," "Gettysburg," "Keary," "Seven Pines," "Sunset," and "Wanted—A Man."

State that ended in its annexation to the Transvaal, but he served as Commissioner of Lands and performed the difficult duty of collecting the hut tax from the natives. In 1895 he ran successfully against a powerful official Krugerite candidate for a seat in the second Transvaal Volksraad.

the war broke out Asia refused to stay at home. He said: "If Baas goes to Asia goes too. If Baas gets killed Asia gets killed too." Europe and Africa were not continents enough to wage that war.

POEMS WORTH READING. Would they listen to you, my master? New days new pipes on the mountain are bringing. Each day for the flock some new pastor!

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Several inquiries as to the sculpture on the front of the New York Custom House were referred to the architect of the building, Cass Gilbert, who makes the following interesting reply:

JAPAN'S BEST SELLERS. Dictionary, Geography and Foreign History. Lists of new books to be published in Japan this fall, says the Des Moines Register, reveal a marked tendency toward certain lines of knowledge which are exactly in line with the recent mental development of the Japanese.

Famous Miniatures in the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. The greater part of the Duke of Buccleuch's famous collection of miniatures is on view at the Victoria and Albert Museum, London, and forms the most remarkable display of the kind since the great loan exhibition at South Kensington nearly half a century ago.

CIVIL WAR POETRY.

More than 150 poems of the civil war are collected in Bugle Echoes (Chicago: A. C. McClurg and Company), edited by the late Francis Brown, long member of the Chicago Club.

Botha of South Africa. Not many men in their fifty-fourth year furnish material for a biography in which so much political history is involved as the subject of HANOLD SPENDER'S General Botha: The Career and the Man (Houghton Mifflin).

Dr. Edward Stillebauer, author of the German novel "Love's Inferno," which pictures war with such realistic brutality that the book has been forbidden in Germany, was born in 1868 at Frankfurt-on-the-Main, where his father was an Evangelical Lutheran minister.

Old-fashioned. A dragon fly went by with a shimmer of gauzy wings. A swallow mounted the sky with its graceful springing.

The Tiger. From "Leah's" story. The mountain seemed to nod their heads. Like a man, drooping.

The Iron Men. From the Pittsburgh Post. Of course some men are not my way. To add me in life's fight.

Princess Thought That It Would Be Hard on Fairness. When Princess Mary was quite a little girl the Queen took her one day to the Tower.

Could Not Be Disturbed. Although Lord Jellicoe was the first naval commander, he was always in the front line of a magazine in his hand.