



BOOKS

The "Handbook of the New Library of Congress," which has just been issued by Curtis & Cameron, of Boston, is a very interesting little book, which is not only a guide, but a souvenir of the beautiful building with which it deals.

Perhaps the work done by American artists at the World's Fair was the first indication to the world at large that America could really excel in the lines of architectural decoration.

Mr. James Leonard Noyes, lately withdrawn in Washington as the Private Secretary of Congress, has just published a book in ten volumes representing Curtis & Cameron, who have just issued the "Handbook of the Congressional Library."

Who is Charles Harrington? Perhaps the reader will answer that it is our province to answer questions, and not to ask them. He is the author of "Lady Bramble's Broom" and "A Sturdy Beggar," according to the title pages of the two books.

"The Sturdy Beggar" is measurably disappointing. It should have been read before the other and the delight afforded by Mr. Harrington would have been increased. The beggar in question is a scamp and the book reads such trials as are apt to come into an artist's career.

"Make Believe" is a pretty name for a piece of fiction. H. D. Lowry has utilized it for a number of sketches of children, really child fantasies. They are child stories for the people. They possess all the ingenuousness and hunger of the juvenile mind.

The eventful book of last week was "The Children" by one of its "lions" in distinction to that it is the first book to be published by Will Bradley's Wayside Press.

It is needless to say that the new periodical which Philadelphia is about to send abroad under the alluring name, "The Yellow Dog," is a magazine of the freest type.

One of the last books to issue from the press of the Scribners during February was an anonymous volume of a Frenchman's impressions of America and Americans, in and out.

MARILLA M. RICKER, Candidate For Minister to Colombia

"If President McKinley favors my appointment and the Senate concurs I shall be the first woman ambassador."

"It does not seem to me a remarkable request to be appointed envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary. There is nothing in the Constitution of the United States prohibiting a woman's appointment."

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commissioner and examiner in chancery by the supreme court of the District. In 1899 Mrs. Ricker made application for admission to the bar of New Hampshire. She was the first woman to apply for that honor, and the most rooted opposition appeared against her.

When Byron S. Ross began to collect postage stamps twenty years ago he was called a crank by his schoolmates. His parents tried to dissuade him from what they thought was a foolish craze.

Mr. Ross had been selling stamps for the last five years to Mr. Burton's son, who has quite a reputation as a philatelist. The young man was anxious to go into the business on a large scale and the father consented.

Mr. Hanna Doesn't Madage Him. In selecting his Cabinet, President McKinley followed his own bent. There are two or three conspicuous instances of the self-reliance which led him to disregard the wishes even of Mr. Hanna.

Claim Has No Standing. Joseph Smolinski, of No. 616 Sixth street northwest, was notified by the Commissioners yesterday that the claim had by his father, Gen. Joseph Smolinski, against the District for contract work under the old Board of Public Works, no longer has any standing in court.

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Mrs. Marilla Marks Ricker, Who Has Petitioned President McKinley To Be Made Minister to Colombia.