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Christina Rossetti: A biographical and critical sketch. By MACKENZIE BELL. London: Hurst and Blackett. 1898.

## LITERARY NOTES.

Messrs. Morison Brothers announce a book which promises to be replete with interest, "The Book of Glasgow Cathedral."

It is announced that Prof. Max Müller will shortly complete a "History of Ancient Philosophy," upon which he has been working with his usual vigour for some time past.

Messrs. Methuen will publish immediately a new book by Rev. Arthur Wright, entitled "Some New Testament Problems." The same firm announce a new work on "Cranmer," by Canon A. J. Mason.

A district fresh to English holiday-makers, and reached as easily as the Ardennes, will be opened up in "New Walks by the Bhine," by Percy Lindley, whose "Walks in the Ardennes" and "Walks in Holland" did so much to popularize new Belgian and Dutch touring grounds.

## Obituary.

WE regret to record the death of the Rev. Charles Frederick Childe, for nearly twenty years Principal of the Church Missionary College, Islington, and for twenty-six years Rector of Holbrook, Suffolk, who died at Bramleigh, Cheltenham, on his ninetieth birthday. Born in 1807, he was educated at Emmanuel College, Cambridge; and, having graduated in 1832, was ordained the following year to the curacy of St. Michael's, Cambridge. After filling curacies at Harrow-on-the-Hill and Petersfield, and the incumbency of St. Paul's Church, with the Headmastership of Queen Mary's Grammar School, Walsall, he was appointed, in 1839, Principal of the Church Missionary College at Islington, which he held till 1858, having also filled the offices of evening lecturer at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, and at St. Mary, Islington. In 1858 he was presented to the rectory of Holbrook, near Ipswich, which he resigned in 1884.

We have also to record with regret the death, on December 25, of the Rev. R. W. Kennion, who for many years was Rector of Acle, Norfolk. He had been ill for some time past, and died at Southborough, near Tunbridge Wells. Mr. Kennion, who was in his eighty-second year, graduated at St. John's College, Cambridge, in 1837. He then went to the Bar; but relinquishing the law in 1854, was ordained to the curacy of Alton, Hants, which he held till his appointment to Acle in 1858. Here he did much quiet, useful work, winning the respect and esteem of all who knew him. He resigned the living in 1894. Mr. Kennion was the author of "Unity and Order," which appeared first in 1866, and reached its second edition in 1892. He was an occasional contributor to the pages of THE CHURCHMAN.

News of a deeply-distressing kind reaches us from the Uganda missionfield to the effect that one of the most devoted, laborious, and successful of the agents of the Church Missionary Society has been killed—Mr. George Lawrence Pilkington, B.A. His career, though short, has been a brilliant one, whether we regard his University career at Cambridge, his self-sacrificing labours in the African mission-field, or bis scholarly industry and enterprise in the translation of the entire Bible into the tongue of the Luganda people.—From the "English Churchman,"