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Short Aotices.

A High-School Girl. By MRS. HENRY CLARKE, M.A. With Illustrations by M. A. Boole. Pp. 160. Price 1s. 6d. Sunday-School Union.

A STORY for girls, hingeing upon the discovery of the secret drawer in an old family bureau. It has an interesting plot, and is brightly told. We cannot say the full-page illustrations are much addition.

In Humble Dales. By CATHERINE E. MALLANDAINE. Pp. 128. Price 1s. S.P.C.K.

The diary of a young clergyman and his sister in the Black Country, showing how duty well done brings happiness, quite independent of depressing surroundings. Suitable for boys.

Martha's Trial. By MABEL QUILLER-COUCH. Pp. 61. Price 6d. Sun-

day-School Union.

A story for girls, inculcating honesty, truthfulness, and bravery. Martha's patience under false accusations is rewarded by the discovery of the truth.

Pixton Parish. By FLORENCE MOORE. Illustrated by F. BARNARD. Pp. 220. Price 2s. S.P.C.K.

The plot is a good one, and the interest is well sustained. It is a warning against the dangers attendant on gambling, which in this case ruins a life of great promise.

Three Golden Words. By Mrs. ALEXANDER SMITH. Pp. 64. Price 6d. Sunday-School Union.

This story for children is quaintly written, and "Little Lord Fauntleroy" might have sat as the model for Archie. "Cash" is a housekeeper of the old school. All the characters might have been drawn from the life, and we can recommend this pretty story.

Ishmael Jones. By RICHARD PARDOE. Pp. 121. Price 1s. S.P.C.K.

Exposes the fallacies of socialism, and shows how a loving wife rescues her husband from them. We hope this book may produce the desired effect.

The Outcast, and the Pappas Narkissos. Translated from the Greek by F. BAYFORD HARRISON. Pp. 78. Price 6d. S.P.C.K.

Two powerful tales, full of local colour. The scene of the "Outcast" is laid near Patras. The translator has done his work well.

Ups and Downs; or, The Life of a Kite. By ASCOT R. HOPE. Pp. 80. Price 1s. S.P.C.K.

A simple story for little children, pleading for kindness towards their toys.

Ralph Latimer. By MAUD CAREW. Pp. 126. Price 1s. S.P.C.K.

A book for boys. The story is well told, and the tone healthy, with a good moral.

Ten Talents. By Helen Shipton. Illustrated by W. H. OVEREND.

Pp. 249. Price 2s. 6d. S.P.C.K.

A rather painful story, dealing with rescue work in a colliery village, and in the East of London. The writer is not afraid to give us a view of the seamy side of life. Though not a book we should recommend for young girls, it is a well-written and interesting tale.

Golden Chains. By G. E. VAUGHAN. Pp. 160. 1s. 6d. S.P.C.K.

This story will be acceptable to young servants; and the illustrations are decidedly above the average of the S.P.C.K.

The Silver Link. Sunday-School Union. Pp. 236. Price 2s. Sunday-School Union.

Music, poetry, stories, illustrations make up a wholesome and charming There is a series on the musical instruments of the Bible, another on some of its water-birds, another on old stories of Egypt, another on the Moors, another on familiar proverbs, besides interesting and valuable biographical sketches.

The Child's Own Magazine. 62nd Annual Volume. Pp. 144. Sunday-School Union.

As usual, charmingly illustrated and full of appropriate and varied matter, grave and gay.

One Hundred New Animal Stories. By Alfred E. Lomax. Pp. 125. Sunday-School Union,

This is a highly interesting collection of amusing and more or less probable stories of the intelligence shown by various animals under unusual circumstances. The book is eminently readable, and forms a very treasure-house of entertainment for juveniles. Its value is increased by a plentiful supply of illustrations.

All the Prettiest Nursery Rhymes and some New Ones. Pp. 128. Sunday-School Union.

This is a companion volume to the Animal Stories, and will be no less welcome to young readers. The illustrations here also are many and very appropriate, of themselves conveying a fair idea of the subjects of the This fact will make the book interesting to children who have not learnt to read, as well as those who are older.

We have received from the S.P.C.K.:

The Churchman's Almanach for 1896, which, in addition to the usual information, has a beautiful reproduction of that exceedingly handsome old church Ottery St. Mary, Devon, and a number of features which will make the almanack an indispensable article in the clergyman's study.

The Churchman's Remembrancer for 1896, a large and exceedingly useful diary, containing all the varied helps and information which we have come

to expect in such publications of the S.P.C.K.

The Churchman's Pocket-Book and Diary for 1896, which can be had at several prices, according to the style of binding, and which we strongly urge every busy Churchman to possess himself of.

The Churchman's Almanack for 1896 in three sizes, all of which are

extremely useful and well got up.

One marvels at the excellence and small cost of all these publications, and wonders what one would do without them. They are indispensable.

MAGAZINES.

We have received the following (November) magazines:

The Thinker, The Expository Times, The Religious Review of Reviews, The Review of the Churches, The Anglican Church Magazine, The Church Missionary Intelligencer, The Evangelical Churchman, The Church Sunday-School Magazine, Blackwood, The Cornhill, Sunday Magazine, The Fireside, The Quiver, Cassell's Family Magazine, Good Words, The Leisure Hour, Sunday at Home, The Girl's Own Paper, The Boy's Own Paper, Light and Truth, The Church Worker, The Church Missionary Cleans Light in the Home Anache Monthly, The Church Missionary Gleaner, Light in the Home, Awake, India's Women, The Parish Helper, Parish Magazine, The Bible Society's Gleanings for the Young, The Bible Society's Monthly Reporter, The Zenana, The Cottager and Artisan, Friendly Greetings, Little Folks, Our Little Dots, The Child's Companion, Boy's and Girl's Companion, The Children's World, Daybreak, Day of Days, Home Words, and Hand and Heart.