

• First Glances at New Books

Biography-Exploration

BULA MATARI STANLEY, Conqueror of a Continent—Jacob Wassermann—Liveright, 300 p., \$3. The names Stanley and Livingstone are familiar allusions. But how many people know the adventure-crammed life story of the news correspondent Henry Morton Stanley? In the skillful hands of the biographer, Wassermann, this famous character of another generation is brought back vividly. And since Stanley met important people, was always in the thick of things, the story of his life also gives the reader a good picture of many nineteenth century events.

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Psychology

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY—Harry L. Hollingworth—Appleton, 540 p., \$3. The first part of the book deals with psychological foundations and emphasizes the author's view that learning is a matter of reduction in the number of cues necessary to produce desired action. Later chapters show practical application of these principles in teaching.

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Ornithology

WILD WINGS—Julie Closson Kenly—Appleton, 275 p., \$2.50. A chatty, anecdotal book about birds, informative withal, and illustrated with clever black-and-white drawings, some of which are decidedly humorous.

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Hygiene

EVERYDAY PROBLEMS IN HEALTH—Frank Merrill Wheat and Elizabeth T. Fitzpatrick—American Book Co., 440 p., \$1.20. A hygiene text for high school pupils with emphasis on the practical aspects. Well illustrated.

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Physics

EXPERIMENTAL OPTICS—A. Frederick Collins—Appleton, 318 p., \$2. A popular book primarily written for an inquisitive juvenile audience.

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History

GREAT PEOPLE OF THE PAST—Rhoda Power—Macmillan, 326 p., \$2. Little biographies of Galileo, Buddha, Lincoln, Marie Antoinette, and almost 30 other famous folk, written for children and nicely illustrated. In the effort to be informative in short space,

the author inclines to a rather school-bookish style. The book would be very helpful to teachers and to children who have to "look up" facts on history for class work, and many children would enjoy it also for leisure reading.

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Botany—Horticulture

THE PLANT WORLD IN FLORIDA—Henry Nehrling—Macmillan, xviii+304 p., \$3.50. Florida, famous for generations as a winter resort, is becoming increasingly a place to which people go for permanent residence. When one settles down, one wants a garden, and one wants also to become acquainted with the native plant neighbors. This book fills both desiderata most happily: it tells all about the native and introduced plants of the state, and what can be done with both. There are many excellent photographic plates.

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General Science

SYMPOSIUM ON AMERICA AND THE WORLD SITUATION—Albert Einstein, Henry M. Robinson and William B. Munro—University of Chicago Press, 24 p., 10c.

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Chemistry

A NEW NOMENCLATURE OF CHEMISTRY—Lyman Spalding—American Pharmaceutical Association, \$1. When Lyman Spalding, known now as the Father of the United States Pharmacopoeia, was lecturer on chemistry in Dartmouth University, he issued for the benefit of his students "A New Nomenclature of Chemistry proposed by Messrs. De Morveau, Lavoisier, Berthollet and Fourcroy," with a few additions and improvements of his own. The American Pharmaceutical Association has now published a reproduction of the original 1796 leaflet of Spalding's. Students and teachers of chemistry or of pharmacy who are interested in the history of their sciences will welcome this little booklet, which retains the quaint flavor of the original in its typography.

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Public Health

WHAT TO TELL THE PUBLIC ABOUT HEALTH—American Public Health Association, 255 p., \$2. This is a "collection of short articles aimed to present in simple terms the facts about the prevention of disease and the promotion of health." A list of the newer books on health education, and a list of organizations supplying health education material is appended. The book promises to be extremely helpful to anyone engaged in health education.

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Nature Study

WESTERN NATURE SCIENCE SERIES (1) THE INDIANS' GARDEN—Clarence A. Marcy and Ferne L. Marcy, (2) THE PADRES' GARDEN—Clarence A. Marcy, (3) THE PIONEERS' PATHWAY—Mae Johnson Corwin, (4) TRAILS TODAY—Walling Corwin—Harr Wagner, each book, 211 p., \$1. A series of four well-conceived, well-illustrated readers for children in the elementary grades in Southern California schools.

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Archaeology-History

THE ROAD TO CIBOLA—Carl Sauer—Univ. of Calif. Press, 58 p., 75c. Commentators have not realized, Prof. Sauer points out, the extent to which Spanish expeditions followed the same series of Indian trails when they pushed their way up from Mexico in search of the legendary seven cities of Cibola. This important route which they established is familiar ground to Prof. Sauer, and he presents in this study reasons for altering some interpretations of the Spanish explorers' writings.

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Health Education

HEALTH EDUCATION ACTIVITIES—Kathleen Wilkinson Wootten—National Tuberculosis Association, 278 p., 75c. A source book of suggested activities in health education for Grades I-XII. Stories, verses and suggestions for games and plays make up a large part of the book which is designed for teachers.

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