

BOOKS FOR THE YOUNG FOLKS

Many New and Excellent Volumes of Juvenile Literature.

SYSTEMATIC HOME READING SERIES

All About Sea Shells—A Volume on National Ants—A Historical Novel—Calendars—Christmas Cards.

This is the season when books for the young folks are eagerly sought, not alone by the children, but often by those who have learned from experience that in these juvenile books they can get information and pleasure as readily as in the books for older persons.

The Appletons have a number of books in which they have edited the Home Reading Series, which are edited by W. H. Harvey, the well known educator. This series is prepared for a good purpose, and the volumes thus far published appear to be well adapted to the end in view.

One of the books of the series is "The Hall of Shells," by Mrs. A. H. Hardy. It is a volume devoted to the study of shells, and is a bright story of adventure in woven descriptions of the sea shells and mollusks and all manner of curiosities of the ocean.

Another volume in the same series bears the title of "Uncle Sam's Secret," and is from the pen of O. A. Loring.

Two beautiful large calendars have been published this year by Frederick A. Stokes company. One is a "Yearly Calendar," and the other is a "Monthly Calendar."

Nothing more, yet there is so much about a boyhood in Oregon that is so novel and interesting that the story never becomes tiresome. It is by Roy McAllister, who has lived in Oregon all his life.

No incident in American history is better calculated to inspire young Americans with patriotism and admiration for the grand men of 1776 who suffered their country to have life, than the heroic defense of Fort Mifflin by a small band of colonists when attacked by an army of British soldiers and Indians.

A story that will delight young readers is "The Mystery of the Island," which is transferred from the title, a tale of southern plantation life, and of plantation child life. Annie Fellows Johnston has already had reputation made in the writing of books of this character and this tale is like its predecessors in interest.

A pleasing series of books for boys is that called the All-Over-the-World-Library, of which Oliver Optic's "Pacific Shores" is the twelfth and last volume issued by the publishers. As indicated in the preceding volumes of the series the purpose of the series is to give the education of the hero, Louis Belgrave, who has come into possession of the grandfather's property.

A pleasing little story book for children is "The Happy Six," by Penn Shirley, author

of "The Merry Five" and other stories for children. This is, in fact, the third volume of the "Silver Gate" series, in which one more is added to the number of children who have made their journeys as described. They are given a chance to see more of the world, and the descriptions of their trip from the Pacific shores to New York and across the Rocky Mountains and the West, make a delightful book for the little ones.

"Queen Janet" is another children's book. It is by Grace Le Baron, author of "The Rescued Club" and other stories. An ideal character in pictures is the heroine of the book, and the story is so interesting, and her beautiful unselfish life is the rare lesson of a little child who lives up to the Golden Rule without becoming uninteresting.

Another book from the pen of Laura E. Richards, the gifted author of "Captain January," is welcome at this season, for the children are sure of a treat in pursuing its pages. It is a story of a boy and girl who have just put forth. It is a story of three girls, each one bearing this pleasing name, a story of their adventures and conversations.

The visitors to the bookstore at this season of the year cannot afford to overlook the departments devoted to the books for the babies and the small children, for in these departments there are to be found the most employ of the art of the printer and the talent of the designer.

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OMAHA HAD LITTLE CHANGE

Location of the Next Teachers' Convention Was Forfeited.

RAILROADS HELP WASHINGTON WIN

Executive Committee of the National Educational Association Meets

Superintendent Pearce has returned from Chicago, where he attended the meeting of the executive committee of the National Educational Association and Washington was

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OPINIONS BY THE SUPREME COURT

St. Paul Permitted to Use Water from the Mississippi River.

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FIXING UP THE LOOSE ENDS

Attorneys for the City Making Their Web Tight as Possible.

WETTLING FORTIFIES HIS TESTIMONY

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PROBLEM FOR THE POLICE

Cold Weather Brings the Authorities to Consider Charity.

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