

....The *North American Review* for July has a number of good articles: on Bismarck, by his Boswell, Moritz Busch; on Canada and the United States, by Professor Goldwin Smith, deprecating the growth of commercial and other antagonism between the two countries; on the exodus of Israel, by President S. C. Bartlett, who agrees with Lepsius and others in assigning the exodus to the reign of Menef-ta, but does not attempt to fix the date (which is now almost universally put in the second half of the 14th century B. C., somewhere between 1310 and 1350), rejects Brugsch's theory of the route, and endeavors to trace it; on the legislative history of the English House of Lords, by J. E. Thorold Rogers, M. P.; on the ethics of sex, by Miss M. A. Hardaker, a simple statement of the ethical principles and practices that are now under discussion among the women of America, including, of course, the question of marriage; on the Panama Canal, by Count de Lesseps, an argument for its feasibility; and on profligacy in fiction, by A. K. Fiske, a sharp attack on Zola and "Ouida."——In the August number of the *Catholic World* the Rev. A. F. Hewitt, in his fifth article on "The Genesis of the Catholic Church," discusses the objections to the Church's sanctity, founded on its supposed failure to avert evil and accomplish good.——The articles of Professor Ezra Abbot on "The Authorship of the Fourth Gospel," which have been appearing in the *Unitarian Review*, have now been published in pamphlet form, with the addition of several long and valuable notes, and the book may be said to be the most important contribution to this department of biblical apologetics that has been made in America since Norton's work. Having thus presented the external evidence for the Johannine authorship of this gospel, Mr. Abbot will, we hope, in a second pamphlet, discuss the internal evidence.