

*A group of recent German publications.* We have received from the Gutenberg-Verlag of Dr. Ernst Schultze, of Hamburg, a group of interesting publications, of which a few notes may be made. 'Das Maifest der Benediktiner und Andere Erzählungen,' by the late Karl Rick, is the third edition of the three stories comprised within the volume. The stories are pictures from the life of the Catholic clergy, and are remarkable for their psychological insight as well as for their intimate acquaintance with the themes presented. Rick (1815-1881) was an Austrian poet and novelist of distinction, and the present volume has an introduction by his son, Herr Wolfgang Rick. 'Wunder und Wissenschaft,' by Dr. Richard Hennig, is a book of popular science, dealing with the 'occult phenomena' of hypnotic suggestion, the sub-liminal consciousness, and telepathy. The treatment is not unscientific, although it seems to us to go too far in the direction of credulity, or of willingness to accept as thinkable certain alleged happenings which to most well-balanced minds are flatly impossible. It must be admitted that Dr. Hennig is not without good company in his conclusions. Dr. J. Loewenberg's 'Deutsche Dichterabende' is a volume of studies in modern German literature. Among the subjects of the essays are Lenau, Frau von Ebner-Eschenbach, Herr Detlev von Liliencron, Herr Gustav Frenssen, and Herr Hauptmann. A thin volume reprints the 'Rede auf Schiller' of Jakob Grimm, an address given in Berlin in 1859, and very timely in this year of Schiller celebrations. An 'Auswahl aus den Kleinen Schriften von Jakob Grimm,' with an introduction by Dr. Schultze, gives us Grimm's 'Selbstbiographie,' his Schiller address, his address upon the death of his brother, and his paper upon his dismissal from Göttingen in 1837. This latter is a document of great importance in the history of the German struggle for intellectual freedom. Several brief philological papers are also included. Finally, this group of publications reprints in a handsome volume the trans-

lations made by the Grimm brothers of Ekkehard's 'Walthari-lied,' of 'Der Arme Heinrich,' and of the songs from the Elder Edda.

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