

ation. Senator Hoar writes entertainingly of oratory, and Walter A. Wyckoff relates his experiences as a section hand on the Union Pacific Railway.

MAGAZINES.

—Harper's is noteworthy in the way of fiction, among its story-writers being such well-known names as Thomas Bailey Aldrich, Gilbert Parker, W. W. Jacobs, Mary E. Wilkins, Cyrus Townsend Brady and Thomas A. Janvier. Poultney Bigelow narrates vividly the incidents of a shipwreck on the shores of Japan, and Brander Matthews writes on the English language: its debt to King Alfred.

—Charles J. Bullock contributes an original and thought-provoking study of Trusts to the Atlantic. He does not believe that they are a public benefit, and declares that they are as much the product of unwise legislation as of economic laws. Goldwin Smith on Wellington and Herbert W. Horwill on The Opportunity of the Small College are worthy of special mention.

—Charles J. Bullock is also a contributor to the Yale Review, giving a valuable historical study on Direct Taxes and the Federal Constitution.

—The Gaming Instinct is a timely subject of The American Journal of Sociology. The Consumers' League, Charity Organization, The Ethics of Wealth are others. (University of Chicago Press.)

—Sir Robert Hart discusses China and Reform in the Fortnightly. He is a highly competent authority, and he thinks that there is lots of bungling going on. The Civil Service and its Abuses is discussed in the Westminster. This problem also obtrudes in England; though that country is far in advance of America on the subject. Col. Henry Knollys writes in Blackwood's of English Waxing and French Waning in Egypt. A new panegyric on English administration. (New York: Leonard Scott Pub. Co.)

—Breaking wild horses for the army is notable in the freakish Strand. (International News Co., New York.)

—Ex-President Cleveland begins in the Century a series of papers of historic interest on The Venezuelan Boundary Controversy. It is a chapter of explanation and comment which he alone can supply. Prof. McMaster's account of the Webster-Hayne debate is another memorable chapter of history, well written. Frances Hodgson Burnett begins a story—The Making of a Marchioness. The Young Men's Christian Association in Europe and Tolstoi's Theory of Art are good articles. College articles are prominent: Working one's way through College, College Training Tables, Alleged Luxury among College Students, as well as the college competition prize story—When the grass grew long—and a college athletic story: Wanted: A Hero.

—Henry Norman resumes his Russian articles in Scribner's giving a graphic view of Finland—the land of Russian oppression and Russian blunders. The Scottish University is valuable to all interested in the subject of edu-