

The Chautauqua books for the coming year, five in number as usual, have just been sent out by Messrs. Flood & Vincent, of Meadville. Two of them are new books, the other three are revised editions of earlier publications. In the latter category come Alexander Winchell's "Walks and Talks in the Geological Field," revised by Professor Frederick Starr; "Europe in the Nineteenth Century," by Professor Harry Pratt Judson; and "From Chaucer to Tennyson," by Professor Henry A. Beers. The new books are "Men and Manners of the Eighteenth Century," by Miss Susan Hale, and "Twenty Centuries of English History," by Mr. James Richard Joy.

Messrs. Henry Holt & Co. publish "First Lessons in German," by Mr. Sigmon M. Stern; "First Lessons in French," by Messrs. Baptiste Méras and S. M. Stern; Schiller's "Wilhelm Tell," edited by Professor Arthur H. Palmer; and Musset's "Histoire d'un Merle Blanc," edited by Misses Agnès Cointat and H. Isabelle Williams. Other modern language text-books are About's "Roi des Montagnes," edited by Dr. Thomas Logie (Heath); Taine's "Introduction à l'Histoire de la Littérature Anglaise," edited by Mr. Irving Babbitt (Heath); and "Un Peu de Tout" (Jenkins), a sort of phrase-book edited by M. F. Julien.

"Romance and Realism of the Southern Gulf Coast," by Miss Minnie Walter Myers, is a very brief and popular history and description, published by Messrs. Robert Clarke & Co. It contains much more romance than realism in its sketches and stories of the Indians, the explorers, the Creoles, the Acadians, of New Orleans and Beauvoir. Though scrappy and amateurish, the book will probably interest many, especially those familiar with the scenes and characters described.

"Applied Physiology," by Dr. Frank Overton (American Book Co.), is published in two parts, respectively intended for primary and intermediate grades. As is usual in books of this sort, an obtrusive amount of attention is devoted to the effects of alcohol upon the human system. As an example of the writer's style we make one quotation: "While alcohol is harming a man, it makes him feel good."