MISCELLANEOUS. Prof. J. D. Davis, D. D., wrote A Sketch

of the Life of Rev. Joseph Hardy Necsima. LL, D. [Fleming H, Revell Co. \$1,00], shortly after Neesima's death. It was a short but comprehensive, sympathetic and well written biography, full of value for what it told and also for what it inspired the reader to believe and attempt. A new edition now has been called for and the work has been revised and somewhat im-

proved. It is well illustrated and the demand for it will long continue. Neesima

Reproduced with permission of the copyright owner. Further reproduction prohibited without permission.

is destined to occupy a prominent place in the future histories of Japan, and his honorable fame will only increase here among us also.

Dr. Rena M. Atchison's book Un-American Immigration [Charles H. Kerr & Co. \$1.25] reminds one that not all who come hither from abroad are Neesimas. It is a careful, diversified and largely statistical study of its theme which every intelligent and public-spirited citizen will do well to read. It is to some extent, although not largely, a constructive work. Dr. Joseph Cook, who by the way is not Rev. Joseph Cook, has supplied the introduction.

The Bibelot is a new monthly publication issued by T. B. Mosher of Portland, Me., at the surprisingly low price of fifty cents a year. It is a reprint of poetry and prose of special merit chosen chiefly from scarce editions and other comparatively inaccessible sources. The January number is composed largely of lyrics from William Blake and the February number of ballads from François Villon. It is printed and bound daintily and an object of delight to the cultivated literary taste. The March number is to contain mediæval Latin students' songs.

The Bookman, a literary journal issued by Dodd, Mead & Co., is quite unlike its English namesake of the corresponding month, although it contains some of the same material and apparently is intended to be much the same sort of a publication. The English editor is Dr. W. Robertson Nicoll, a portrait and sketch of whom are included and the Americans are Prof. H. T. Peck and Mr. James MacArthur. The Bookman is intended to give busy men a fresh, comprehensive, trustworthy summary of literary events and news from month to month. It offers some special features and we are confident that it will prove itself indispensable to all who examine a few issues.