- Harper & Brothers have just ready "Further Reminiscences," a second volume of "My Autobiography and Reminiscences," by W. P. Frith, the distinguished Royal academician. The interest of the new volume upholds the reputation gained by the first. One chapter contains letters and recollections of Charles Dickens; another recalls Sir Edwin Landseer; still another, devoted to Mrs. Maxwell, whom novel-readers perhaps know better as Miss M. E. Braddon, tells, among other things, about the plan she proposed to Mr. Frith for a pictorial dramatic series on the lines of Hogarth, and how the artist shrank from the painfulness of the "terrible tragedy" which she outlined. Du Maurier and John Tenniel, the famous Punch artists, figure in a chapter on "Book Illustrators;" and a host of other familiar names appear elsewhere, such as Robert Browning, John Ruskin, Thomas Hardy, Mrs. Lynn Linton, F. Anstey, and Anthony Trollope. They have also just ready the third edition, revised and enlarged, of C. K. Adams's "Manual of Historical Literature;" "The Mouse-Trap and Other Farces," by W. D. Howells, including among the other farces, "The Garroters," "Five O'clock Tea," and "A Likely Story," all of which, as well as "The Mouse-Trap," C. S. Reinhart has illustrated. Another book just ready is "The Tramp at Home" (illustrated), by Lee Meriwether, special agent of the Bureau of Labor Statistics at Washington, and author of "A Tramp Trip." The book contains an account of the incidents, amusing and otherwise, which befell him in the course of his study into the condition of the American working classes. Adventure, novel experience, and humorous episode are combined with original and striking testimony bearing upon social problems in the United States.

- We take the following items from The Publishers' Weekly: M. Taine's health has sufficiently improved to permit him to resume his literary work, and it is said that a series of three articles by him, on "The Reconstruction of France in 1800," will appear

at once in the Revue des Deux Mondes. F. Marion Crawford is writing a book on Sir John Hawkwood for the English Men of Action Series. Mr. Walter Besant will prepare the volume on Capt. Cook; Mr. Clark Russell, that on Dampier; and Mr. Archibald Forbes, that on Havelock. Andrew D. Mellick, jun., Plainfield, N.J., has in preparation a work to be entitled "The Story of an Old Farm, or, Life in New Jersey in the 18th Century," a semi-social, semi-historical study. The author intends to describe quite fully early German immigration to the American colonies, to vindicate the Hessian troops, and to do justice to the New Jersey Loyalists.

- Mr. Thomas S. Townsend of New York City has been at work since the beginning of the civil war, collecting, sifting, and classifying material, some of which he has now formed into a volume to be called "The Honors of the Empire State in the War of the Rebellion," and to which he calls attention. It will be issued through the Putnams as a subscription-book as soon as sufficient orders have been received to pay the cost of a first edition. Such orders should be sent to Mr. Samuel O. Fields, Library of Columbia College. On Decoration Day some years back, Mr. Townsend delivered an address before the Long Island Historical Society, which contained the germ he has brought to fruit in this volume.

— T. Y. Crowell & Co. will publish at once Bourrienne's "Memoirs of Napoleon Bonaparte," edited by Col. R. W. Phipps of the Royal Artillery. The edition is in four volumes, and is a reproduction of the latest English edition, containing all the notes, portraits, medallions, maps, etc., with the addition of several facsimile autographs and a full index. They will publish shortly "A Popular History of the French Revolution," by Mrs. Lydia Hoyt Farmer, which is based on the latest French and English authori-

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