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THE WEEK'S PUBLISHING.

VERSE AND THE DRAMA.

From Kegan Paul we have "The Tale of Archais: a Romance in Verse by a Gentleman of the University of Cambridge." The author's "Ballade of His Tale" opens thus:

Go to the woodlands, English maid,
Or where the downs to scaward bend,
When autumn is in gold arrayed,
Or spring is green, or winters send
A frosty sun, or summers blend
Their flowers in every dainty dye,
And take as you would a friend,
This pleasant tale of Thessaly.