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There is one essential condition of application. The inexorable wealth of the Christ was first made fully available in Jesus—in and through a perfect human life. Only through the totality of our human powers and capacities, sanctified and consecrated by the Divine Spirit, can this wealth be appropriated and dispensed. And this conviction forces yet another¹ upon us—that only through a life of self-sacrifice can the appropriating and dispensing be effected. Israel failed to make this sacrifice, and so failed to fulfil its Divine destiny of service to the world. Jesus made it and succeeded. St. Paul made it, but only in the spirit and power of the Christ. In the same spirit and by the same power we must make the self-sacrifice, both in study and in active service. By assimilation of the truth we enter into communion with God, and all communion demands self-sacrifice. By dispensing the truth at whatever cost we communicate with men. Both actions demand such self-sacrifice as we see in Jesus—the absolute consecration of the whole human nature. Only thus can we proclaim to the world that wherein alone lies the hope of its salvation—“the inexorable wealth of the Christ.”



Literary Notes.

MESSRS. LONGMANS, GREEN AND CO., who usually have a large number of interesting theological books in their new lists of announcements, have at the moment in the press several which are worth perusing. Of course, very often the views to be found in these volumes do not always coincide with one's own; but it is always wise to hear what others have to say. So long as the faith is fixed and the conscience knows what is right and what is wrong, opposite views can do nought else but reaffirm and encourage all that one has come to consider as the life and hope of one's belief. Well, among these new theological books will be found Dr. Davey Biggs's "Public Worship in the Book of Common Prayer: A Handbook for Lay People." The author is Vicar of St. Philip and St. James, Oxford. The work is to be in two parts, but published in one volume. Dr. G. C. Workman's "The Servant of Jehovah," a series of studies on the meaning of the phrase "the servant of

¹ See Isa. liii.

Jehovah," as it occurs in the Books of Isaiah and Jeremiah, is a promising book. The author is Professor of Hebrew and Old Testament Exegesis in the Wesleyan Theological Seminary in Toronto. "A Companion to the Psalter," by Rev. J. Gurnhill, B.A., Vicar of East Stockwith, late Diocesan Inspector for the Isle of Axholme, and Scholar of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, is appearing at once in a second edition. The volume, as some readers may be aware, consists of Introduction, Notes, and Meditations, contributed as a help to the devotional use of Psalms in daily public and private worship. Other new volumes are: "The Temptation of our Lord considered in its Relation to the Ministry," being the Hulsean Lectures for 1905, by Rev. H. J. Corbett Knight, M.A., Principal of the Clergy Training School, Cambridge; and "A Pastoral Bishop: A Memoir of Alexander Chinnery-Haldane, D.D.," sometime Bishop of Argyle and the Isles, by Dr. Thomas Ball, Provost of Cumbrae Cathedral; and the same firm have also just issued the Bishop of Carlisle's "Meditations on the Ordinal: A Series of Addresses." There are four: The Vocation, Reverence for the Bible, Ordination Vows, The Commission.



What promises to be a really attractive series of volumes is that which Messrs. Routledge and Co. have started. It is called "The London Library"—a very appropriate title, by the way. In this new collection of books will be included some of the best specimens of English literature. In all instances the works will be edited by men who are justified by their own past work and experience, and by their own special knowledge of the particular period with which they happen to be dealing. "The London Library" is certainly a capital collection of definitive library editions, well printed on excellent paper and capably bound. The price per volume is but 2s. 6d. net. The publishers have just issued two volumes, which have been under the editorial supervision of Mr. F. A. Mumby for several years. Mr. Mumby is a well-known literary man, and is doing some excellent work quietly and modestly on one of our best daily papers. Moreover, he has just the right and proper temperament for the work of editing these two new issues in "The London Library." They deal with the letters of literary men. The first volume covers the period from "Sir Thomas More to Robert Burns," while the other concerns those of the Nineteenth Century. It says much for Mr. Mumby's enthusiasm and thoroughness, when one stops to think of the labour that the collecting of these two volumes of original letters of the principal British writers of the past 400 years must have given him during the past five years. Mr. Mumby has also arranged them chronologically. Further, he has, besides annotating them, connected each individual letter by a running commentary of excellent taste, which makes the two volumes all the more valuable and worthy of possession. Mr. Sidney Lee has edited the "Autobiography of Lord Herbert of Cherbury"; Professor Firth has contributed some new notes to the "Memoirs of the Life of Colonel Hutchinson." Professor Firth has also edited the "Life of William Cavendish," while Professor Dowden has written a new introduction to Hogg's "Life of Shelley." There is also included in this series an edition of Lewes's "Life of Goethe," and the "Interpretation of Scripture and other Essays" by Benjamin Jowett.

We are promised for this year a life of William Sproston Caine. Mr. Caine was a politician; he was also a temperance reformer. It may not be generally known that he was a preacher. But, chiefest of all—a fact for which the writer can vouch by reason of personal knowledge, and which he thinks makes a greater man of him than either his political or his temperance work—he was one of the finest exponents of Christ's precepts among his fellow-men. "Love" and "Charity" seemed always his watchwords. Many a poor family in the neighbourhood of South Lambeth could testify to his great love and kindness. Of caste he knew nought, and yet he was always being brought in touch with it in connection with his great interest in Indian affairs. Hundreds of natives in India looked upon him as their father, and whenever a young man came over here to study law, as so many do, they always found a bright home and a warm welcome at Clapham Common. Of course the volume will probably deal chiefly with his political work, although consideration will naturally be given to his private work. It is usually the case that the really best, truest, and most illuminating sides of a man's life are left out, or little developed, in his biography. But Wheatsheaf Hall stands as a memorial of his love for those less fortunate in this world's possessions than himself.



"The Teaching of the Lord contained in the Gospels brought together under its Principal Heads" is the rather long title of a new book by Mr. J. B. Kinnear. It is a collation and a collection of Christ's words contained in the four Gospels.



Mr. Murray is issuing this year "The Life and Letters of Sir James Graham, 1792-1861," which Mr. C. S. Parker is editing. Sir James was First Lord of the Admiralty in the Ministries of Lord Grey and Lord Aberdeen. He was also Home Secretary in Sir Robert Peel's Administration. Mr. Parker previously edited the latter's life. The volumes, two in number, will include some portraits and other illustrations. This is the first life of Sir James Graham which has been written that is based upon all the family papers and documents. He would probably have been a greater man had his contemporaries not been such political giants. After leaving Oxford he plunged direct into active political life, taking part in the negotiations with Murat, King of Naples. Some years later he became Whig member for Hull, and thereafter experienced a long but very chequered career in and out of the House of Commons.



One may be always assured that anything which Mr. J. M. Dent publishes through his firm is produced in the most attractive of styles and in harmony with the tendency and scope of the book. How much this is borne out in his excellent "Everyman's Library" many CHURCHMAN readers will know. Messrs. Dent have recently issued a good edition of Father Paschal Robinson's translation of "The Writings of St. Francis of Assisi." Readers will be interested in finding in this edition the "Office of the Passion," which has not, I understand, been before rendered into English. Other features of this new volume of St. Francis's writings are a list of the lost, doubtful, and

spurious writings of the Saint, and a new literal translation of the "Canticle of the Sun." The volume is not entirely restricted to St. Francis of Assisi's Latin writings, but takes into account all the recent researches on the matter. It is chiefly based, however, upon the Quaracchi text.



"The Tudor and Stuart Library" is another new series which the Oxford Press have in hand. The enterprise is a good and happy one, and should meet with much success in all quarters. It is proposed to reprint in this collection of volumes many books which were written during the period specified in the title, and particularly those which give contemporary pictures of Tudor and Stuart England. The first issues will include Greville's "Life of the Renowned Sir Philip Sidney," Pepys's "Memoires of the Royal Navy," and Peacham's "Compleat Gentleman." It was only the other day that we heard so much of Peacham's book through the medium of one of Sir Frederick Bridge's lectures at Gresham College.



Just at this moment, when so much interest is being taken in telepathy and kindred subjects—perhaps a good deal of the interest is more or less casual and the outcome of a desire for sensation—it is of interest to note the publication only the other day of another volume by that busy student of the subject, Professor J. H. Hyslop, who has devoted most of his time to this kind of literature. He is a Professor of Logic and Ethics at Columbia University. Only a month or two back we referred to his new book on "The Enigmas of Psychical Research," and "Science and a Future Life." The new volume is called "The Borderland of Psychical Research." It deals with phenomena "which lie between the normal and the supernormal." Professor Hyslop examines numerous cases which seem to have great psychical significance, and shows that many can be reduced to perfectly simple solutions. Often what seem to be strange occurrences result from faulty memory or careless observation, "and most of the exhibitions of professional clairvoyants break down under a searching analysis." By eliminating what is irrelevant or merely confusing, Professor Hyslop performs important service to the cause of serious psychical research.



I wonder if my readers know of an excellent and well-edited literary monthly entitled the *Book Monthly*? If not, please let me introduce them to it. It is the best literary monthly that I know. To begin with, it is edited by Mr. James Milne, who probably knows as much as anyone about the inside life of journalism, the writing of books, and the publishers thereof. He is a Scotsman, and that means much. But whatever country he hails from, he is the personification of good taste, knows a good book when he lights upon one, can appreciate an attractive illustration, gets down to the root of things, and offers them to you in a dish of items delightfully served in a number of paragraphs which he calls "Personal and Particular." The "blue ribbon of the literary world"—it might appropriately be called that, as its cover is blue—makes new friends each month. Personally, I enjoy it, and eagerly await its publication. Mr. Milne's articles, which he contributes

himself—and they are many—are a peculiar combination of hot journalism and Stevensonian style: there is the pith of the one and the charm of the other.



Here are two interesting volumes, "The Manufacture of Paupers: A Protest and a Policy," and "The Making of a Criminal," by Mr. Charles E. B. Russell and Mr. L. M. Rigly. Mr. J. St. Loe Strachey, the able editor of the *Spectator*, contributes an introduction to the former book, the purpose of which is to draw attention to some urgent social problems. "The Making of a Criminal" certainly deals with a subject of very great national importance. We are only just awakening to the fact that perhaps our treatment of criminals is not based upon the safest and surest of foundations.



The Rev. H. Theodore Knight, author of "Rational Religion," is about to publish, through Mr. Elliot Stock, a volume entitled "Criticism and the Old Testament: A Popular Introduction." While giving the results of recent scholarly research, it will present in a popular form the present position of the Old Testament books in the light of the Higher Criticism. The same publisher announces a new volume of allegories for children, entitled "Heavenly Truths in Earthly Dress," by Miss E. K. Ryde Watson, author of "Shadow and Substance." The stories are founded on incidents in modern life.



A new work on the history of Daniel, and the book which bears his name, is announced to be published by Mr. Elliot Stock immediately. The title is "The Master of the Magicians: The Story of Daniel Retold," by Lumen. Many problems which have baffled Bible students hitherto are given an entirely new meaning by the author's method of treatment of the subject.



Mr. Elkin Mathews will this month issue a new volume of poems by Mr. E. H. Blakeney, head master of the King's School, Ely, author of "Voices after Sunset" and "Twixt the Gold Hour and the Grey." The book will be illustrated by H. Maurice Sage, of Manwood Court, Sandwich, and will be issued at 7s. 6d. (if subscribed for before publication, 5s.).



Notices of Books.

ST. PAUL'S EPISTLE TO THE EPHESIANS. By the late Brooke Foss Westcott, D.D. London: *Macmillan and Co., Ltd.* Price 10s. 6d.

This book represents, we suppose, the last work we shall have from the pen of the late Bishop of Durham. It is a fitting close to a series which have enriched the whole Church. For some time it has been known that the Bishop had left notes on Ephesians, and here we have the result. Unfor-