

THE CHURCH BOOK ROOM NOTES.

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THE following books can be recommended as Christmas gifts, and will be much appreciated:—

Christmas Presents. *The Influence of Puritanism on the Political and Religious Thought of the English*, by Canon J. S. Flynn, M.A., Vicar of St. John's, Hove, price 12s. net. This book is particularly interesting, published as it has been this year when we have heard so much of the days of the Pilgrim Fathers. A lengthy review of the book appeared in the August number of the *Gazette*. A new book, by Prebendary H. E. Fox, entitled *Christian Inscriptions in Ancient Rome: Their Message for To-day*, with a preface by the Dean of Canterbury. The scope of this work is indicated by the chapter headings, which include Catacombs, Columbaria, Christian Faith, Christian Martyrs, Church Order, Social and Family Life, Jewish Inscriptions; and the book is illustrated throughout with numerous little sketches of the original inscriptions. There is also a new edition of Dr. Griffith Thomas' *The Catholic Faith*, published at 1s. 6d., paper cover, and 2s., 2s. 6d., and 3s. 6d. cloth cover, which has been thoroughly revised and brought up to date. Also his *Sacrament of our Redemption*, which has been practically re-written in view of the recent proposals for the revision of the Holy Communion Service, and new material added, price 2s. 6d. and 3s. 6d. The Rev. C. H. K. Boughton's little manual, *The Meaning of Holy Baptism*, 3s. 6d., net, might also be mentioned. Another class of book which would be a useful gift to girls starting life is *A Girl of the New Day*, by Miss Ellen M. Knox, sister of the Bishop of Manchester, and Principal of Havergal College, Toronto. Arrangements have been made that this book should be on sale in England at the Church Book Room, price 7s. 6d. net. In her book Miss Knox reviews the opening for women in the various secular and religious walks of life, and in a particularly interesting and inspiring way shows the principles on which the women of to-day must build if to-morrow is not to bring calamity to the world. Other books which may be mentioned are *The Maid of the Mayflower*, by Albert Lee, a story of the days of the Pilgrim Fathers, price 6s. net; *Marvellous Mesopotamia*, by Canon Parfit, one of the most thrilling and interesting books which have been issued this year, price 6s. net; and *Cloister to Court*, by Miss Cotton-Walker, published a little time ago in view of its strong historic interest, price 3s. 6d. net.

The following books, which are offered at very considerably reduced prices, will be found very acceptable as presents to clergymen and others at

Christmas time: Sir Edward Clarke's three books, *The New Testament, the Authorised Version Corrected*; *The Psalms, the Prayer Book Version Corrected*; and *The National Church*;

the three books bound in cloth, 4s. 6d. net, or in paper cover, 3s. net; Canon Meyrick's books, *The Doctrine of the Holy Communion, Scriptural and Catholic Truth and Worship*, and *Old Anglicanism and Modern Ritualism*, the set of three for 4s. 6d., and the following remainders:—The Dean of Canterbury's *Foundations of Faith*, which was originally published at 7s. 6d., now 2s. 6d., and *Some Questions of the Day*, first series, 1s. net. Bishop Drury's *Confession and Absolution*, 2s. 6d. net; Chancellor Lias's *Nicene Creed*, 2s. net; Dr. Salmon's *Infallibility of the Church*, 2s. 6d. net; Canon Dyson-Hague's *Protestantism of the Prayer Book*, 9d. net; the Rev. P. C. Ingrouille's *Our Sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving*, 1s. 6d. net.

A few slightly soiled copies of the following books are offered at reduced prices: The Rev. N. Dimock's *Eucharistic Presence Papers*, 2s. 6d.; *Eucharistic Worship*, 1s. 3d.; *History of the Book of Common Prayer*, 1s.; *The Sacerdotium of Christ*, 1s.; *Christian Doctrine of Sacerdotium*, 1s.; The Rev. H. A. Wilson's *Episcopacy and Unity*, 2s.; The Rev. C. S. Carter's *English Church and the Reformation*, 9d.; Canon Barnes-Lawrence's *Holy Communion*, 9d. and 6d.; and the Bishop of Sodor and Man's *Holy Communion*, 9d.

Many inquiries are made for a form of service for use in Sunday Schools, Children's Mission Services, etc., and one is particularly needed which will follow Prayer Book lines closely, so that it really does prepare the children to worship as adults, and which will run on without awkward breaks or the necessity for finding fresh places. Mr. Lawrence C. Head, who has for many years past been Diocesan Lay Reader in the Diocese of Southwark and St. Albans, and has worked largely amongst children, has compiled a form which entirely meets this need, and which has been sanctioned for use by a large number of Bishops. It is issued at 2d. net, or 14s. per 100.

**Children's
Form of
Service.**

In view of the importance of the Parochial Rolls in the various parishes being kept up to date, and every parishioner who takes an interest in Church work enrolled, an invitation has been printed on the back of the two forms issued by the Book Room asking all Churchmen and Churchwomen to claim their franchise. These forms are issued at the following prices: "A" form for parishioners, 6d. a dozen, or 2s. per 100; "A" and "B" form to be signed by those who do not live in the parish, 6d. a dozen or 2s. 6d. per 100. It is essential that all members of the Parochial Church Councils should understand the terms of the Enabling Act, and the booklet which we publish containing the Act with a simple explanation of the Constitution is again recommended. It can be obtained at 6d. a copy, but if quantities of one dozen or upwards are ordered at one time for distribution a discount of 33½ per cent. is allowed.

**Parochial
Rolls.**

Some copies of the pamphlets on the Kikuyu question issued by Messrs. Longmans can still be obtained from the Church Book Room: i.e., *That they may all be One*, by the late Bishop of Durham; *The Ministry and Unity*, by the Bishop of Truro; *What is the Church?* by the Archbishop of Dublin; *Episcopacy and Scripture* and *Episcopacy in the Church of England*, by Dr. Gwatkin; all at 1d. each. The Bishop of Uganda's pamphlet, *Recognition, Authorisation and Reunion*, which was printed for distribution to members of the Lambeth Conference, is now offered at 3d. net each, and his statement on the Kikuyu question, *Steps towards Reunion*, at 9d. net.

At this season of the year books on the Second Advent will be of interest, and Canon J. S. Flynn's *Studies on the Second Advent*, which has been repeatedly mentioned in this column as being of considerable value, is now issued at 2s. cloth and 1s. 3d. paper. The papers read before the London meeting of Lay Churchmen in February last year by Sir W. F. A. Archibald, Major-Gen. G. K. Scott-Moncrieff, Dr. Eugene Stock, and others, and which were printed under the direction of the Committee, entitled *The Second Advent of our Lord*, are now offered at 6d. net each.

**The Second
Advent.**