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EDITORIAL

Lecture. On Thursday, 18th September 1947 Rev. Fr. Dougherty, S.T.L., L.S.S., Professor of Scripture at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington, N.J., U.S.A., gave a lecture entitled "Light on Some Obscure Biblical Texts" at the Training College, Cavendish Square, London, W.1. to a meeting of this Association. The meeting had to be arranged at rather short notice to fit in with other engagements, yet there was a good attendance, the audience was evidently keenly interested and asked many questions afterwards. Fr. Dougherty, who is interrupting his teaching in order to take the degree of Doctor of Scripture in Rome, readily agreed to give this lecture, in spite of pressure of work. His clear and attractive presentation of the matter showed both a command of the subject and experience in lecturing to various types of audience. The best comment on the meeting is that the audience were left with a sharpened appetite for more. We thank him sincerely and wish him every success in his examination for the Doctorate in Scripture.

Missionaries. The following subscriptions have been arranged so far:

The Right Rev. Bishop Lumley, P.A., of N. Nigeria, Life membership, donated by Revv. J. McLoughlin, J. J. McReynolds, J. B. O'Connell, A. Reardon; N. W. Osborne, St. Cross Convent, Miss Barrett, Miss Elmes, Anon.

Rev. Fr. Meliga, Mount Don Bosco, Kashmir, India. Six years' subscription. Anon.

Rev. Fr. Schwind, S.J., St. Mary's College, Kurseong, India, annual subscription given by Rev. T. A. Hurley.

Rev. Fr. Thorn, O.P., Oslo, Norway, annual subscription by Miss D. Monro.

Copies of SCRIPTURE are being forwarded to missionaries as follows:

The Right Rev. Bishop Falière, Vicar Apostolic of Mandalay, Burma. By the Sacred Heart Convent, Kilgraston, Bridge of Earn, Perthshire, Scotland.

Rev. Fr. Hogh, Oslo, Norway. By Miss A. M. Kelly.

Finally this Association is sending complimentary copies of the Quarterly to the following:

St. Peter's Seminary, Ggaba, Uganda, B.E.A.

White Fathers, Katigondo-Masaka P.O. Uganda, B.E.A.

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 Katolsk Presse, Copenhagen, Denmark.

This number will later be increased to ten. We shall be glad to have further names of missionaries and also donors.

Ordination. We read in *The Tablet* of November 15th, 1947, of the ordination of two of our members, Rev. Simon Tsuru and Rev. Isidore Chikore, by Bishop Chichester, S.J., Vicar Apostolic of Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia. The occasion was of special significance since these are the first natives of Rhodesia to be raised to the priesthood, and a deep impression was made on the Africans, who attended the ceremony in large numbers. We wish Father Tsuru and Father Chikore every blessing and success in their pastoral work.

Spain. The eighth Spanish "Bible Week" was held in Madrid from September 21st to 26th. The lectures treated chiefly of prophecy and the historical and literary character of many Books of the Bible. Special subjects were also included, such as "The Appearance of Christ to Mary Magdalene." These details are taken from the *Spanish Cultural Index* of last August. The account published in *Cultura Biblica* of Nov. 1947, p. 331, informs us that the lectures were well presented and followed by lively discussions. The indefatigable Father Bover, S.J., who only last year published a large volume of nearly 1,000 pages entitled *Teologia de San Pablo* (Biblioteca de Autores Cristianos, Madrid, 1946) has now written a long commentary on St. Matthew's Gospel, entitled *El Evangelio de San Mateo* (Editorial Balmes, Barcelona, 1947). The work includes a general introduction to the Gospels and special introduction to St. Matthew as well as a new translation of the Gospel from the Greek. The commentary takes account of the most recent research yet is designed for the general public and leaves on one side questions which would interest only the specialist. Besides this, a Spanish translation of the Bible by Fr. Bover and D. Francisco Cantera is advertized as recently published.

The Biblioteca de Autores Cristianos has also issued a second edition of the translation of the Holy Bible made by Fathers Nacar and Colunga of Salamanca. The notes have been increased in this edition, and some maps and illustrations added. The first edition of 15,000 copies was rapidly sold out in Spain and Spanish-America. Many "Bible Days" were held throughout Spain to promote the reading of the Scriptures, especially the New Testament.

Lending-Library. The following books have recently been presented to the library and we sincerely thank the donors. Pirot, *La Sainte Bible, St. Matthieu et St. Marc*, presented by Very Rev. Mgr. Barton, D.D.; Ratton, *The Apocalypse*, presented by N. W. Osborne; Whiston's *Josephus* (2 Vols.) presented by Miss M. Chadwick; Duncan, *Digging*

up *Biblical History* (2 Vols.), *Greek Septuagint Bible* (Vatican Edition), presented by Dr. Van Acker; Lattey, S.J., *Languages and Texts of Holy Writ*, presented by the author; *Latin Vulgate Bible*, (2 Vols.), Hoare, *The Original Order and Chapters of St. John's Gospel*, Hoskyns and Davey, *The Riddle of the New Testament*, anonymous; and the following, all presented by Miss Winifred C. M. Browne: Butler, *Western Mysticism*, Cabrol, *Liturgical Prayer*, Goodier, *Ascetical and Mystical Theology*, Fortescue, *The Lesser Eastern Churches*, D'Arcy, *The Mind and Heart of Love*, *Mirage and Truth*, Bedoyère, *No Dreamers Weak*, Newman, *Grammar of Assent*, *Historical Sketches*, *Sermons on Various Occasions*, *Parochial and Plain Sermons*, *Discourses to Mixed Congregations*, *Oxford University Sermons*, *Idea of a University*.

Also Foster, *Psalms and Canticles of the Breviary*, presented by J. O'Halloran, Esq.

Books and Periodicals received.

Schneider, *Kirche, Bibel und Abstammungslehre*. Herder.

Stafford-Wright, *The Date of Ezra's Second Coming to Jerusalem*.

Leclercq-Poirier, O.F.M., *La Bible Votre Livre*.

Poirier, O.F.M., *Essor Biblique au Canada français*.

Baldi-Bagatti, O.F.M., *Le Sanctuaire de la Nutrition à Nazareth*.
Jerusalem.

Graham, O.S.B., *The Christ of Catholicism*. Longmans.

Lebreton-Zeiller, *The History of the Primitive Church*, Vol. IV,
B. O. & W.

Coppens, *L'Argument des prophéties Messianiques selon les 'Pensées' de Pascal*. Louvain.

Coppens, *Les Parallèles du Psautier avec les textes de Ras Shamra-Ugarit*. Louvain.

Catholic Biblical Quarterly. Washington, U.S.A.

Verbum Domini. Rome, Italy.

Cultura Biblica. Madrid, Spain.

Theologisch-Praktische Quartalschrift (Linz a. D., Austria).

ERRATA.

We regret that some printer's errors were overlooked in the October 1947 number of SCRIPTURE. On page 101 the passage from the Latin Vulgate text of Genesis should have been printed with the third and fourth lines indented thus :

qui cum vidisset eum procul
antequam accederet ad eos cogi-
taverunt illum occidere¹⁹ et
mutuo loquebantur
ecce somniator venit²⁰ venite
occidamus eum &c.