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happy but inadequate rendering "Picker-up of learning's crumbs" is ascribed to Dean Farrar; as a matter of fact, Farrar merely adopts it from Browning, who makes use of the phrase in that admirable study of his, "An Epistle of Karshish."

This volume of Professor Ramsay's is excellently equipped with a map, which folds into a pocket at the end; it has been made to illustrate the Pauline world from A.D. 44 to 60, and has the rare merit of not being overburdened with names.

E. H. BLAKENEY.

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## Short Notices.

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*Revue Internationale de Théologie.* Avril to Juin, 1896. Berne, also Oxford. James Parker and Co.

THIS review, which has been in existence more than three years, was called into being by the Old Catholic Congress at Lucerne. It may be called the Reunion Review of Continental Christendom. It contains articles in German, French, and English. Among Russian ecclesiastics, Bishop Buzitschitsch, the Archimandrite Sergius, and Professor Papkoff, have contributed to this number. A proctor of a Greek university, Professor Kyriakos, discourses on Old Catholicism, as also on Alexandrian Theology in general, and Origen in particular. The Patriarch Anthimos of Constantinople sends a noteworthy letter to the editor, Professor Michaud, and the editor, a strong advocate for immediate reunion between the Old Catholics and the East, comments on the Patriarch's recent reply to the Papal Encyclical in very enthusiastic terms. Professor Langen deals with Scholastic and Tridentine Theology. Pfarrer Richterich gives a brief biographical sketch of the late Bishop Reinkens, and Professor Lauchert, besides a copious review of recent Russian theology, tells us how the celebrated Professor Hommel, while recognising the ability displayed in recent German Biblical criticism, holds fast, not only to the historical authenticity of the Old Testament in general, but of the Pentateuch in particular. The English articles are by "Anglicanus," who strives to make foreigners understand the somewhat peculiar position of English Churchmen in the matter of "controversies of faith," in which the "authority" of the Church does not seem to him to be very vigorously exercised; and the Rev. A. J. C. Allen, of Cambridge, reviews the posthumous works of Professor Hort, the discourses on Reunion of the Bishop of Ripon, and other works. This *Revue*, though by no means light reading, is, nevertheless, a sign of the times which no thoughtful man will be inclined to neglect.

*Hearty Counsels.* By the Rev. J. E. BIGG. Pp. 124. James Nisbet and Co. 1896.

Words of practical advice, addressed mainly to a cottage population in a rural district. No controversial subject is introduced.

*The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.* By the Rev. J. R. PALMER. Pp. 30. Price 6d. Elliot Stock.

This very useful handbook examines thoroughly into this unhappy superstition. It shows by quotations that both Fathers and Romanists in earlier days were opposed to the idea. It examines the Council of Constance in 1414, the Council of Basle in 1431, and the Council of Trent. It shows the tendency to idolatry, and other serious consequences;

examines the nature of the Virgin Mary, and sums up the whole question with excellent good sense. It is an admirable manual of the question, and should be in the hands of all who have Roman Catholic friends and acquaintances.

*The Parish Church of Llangurig.* By Col. LLOYD-VERNEY. Pp. 88. Price 1s. Pulman and Sons.

There is hardly a parish in the country which should not have its history published. This work has been carefully and affectionately compiled by the nephew of Mr. J. Y. W. Lloyd, the antiquary, who restored the parish church at a cost of £11,000. There is a list of the Vicars with biographical notes, an account of the structure by Mr. Baker, the architect, and a description of the ten painted windows, many of which embody scenes from Welsh history and legends. It is a capital model for the construction of such a local history.

*Moulton Church and its Bells.* By SIDNEY MADGE. Pp. 98. Price 7s. 6d. Elliot Stock.

This is another local history, with eleven illustrations. A historical account of the village is first given, then of the church and its associations, then of the tower and the bells. A chapter gives peculiar uses and customs connected with the bells, and there are ten appendices, containing interesting antiquarian information; and the book concludes with a useful bibliography about bells and bell-ringing. Besides being acceptable as a contribution to local history, the book will be of special interest to all bell-ringers.

#### MAGAZINES.

We have received the following (April) magazines :

*The Thinker, The Expository Times, The Religious Review of Reviews, The Review of the Churches, The Anglican Church Magazine, The Church Missionary Intelligencer, The Evangelical Churchman, The Church Sunday-School Magazine, Blackwood, The Cornhill, Sunday Magazine, The Fireside, The Quiver, Cassell's Family Magazine, Good Words, The Leisure Hour, Sunday at Home, The Girl's Own Paper, The Boy's Own Paper, Light and Truth, The Church Worker, The Church Monthly, The Church Missionary Gleaner, Light in the Home, Awake, India's Women, The Parish Helper, Parish Magazine, The Bible Society's Gleanings for the Young, The Bible Society's Monthly Reporter, The Zenana, The Cottager and Artisan, Friendly Greetings, Little Folks, Our Little Dots, The Child's Companion, Boy's and Girl's Companion, The Children's World, Daybreak, Day of Days, Home Words, and Hand and Heart.*

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## The Month.

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THE *Daily News* gives an analysis of the new Education Bill, of which we print the chief part :

#### I.—THE NEW EDUCATIONAL AUTHORITY.

Its constitution : In *counties*, the authority to be a committee constituted at the discretion of the County Council. (Counties may combine and form one educational authority for a group of counties.) In *London*, the County Council to prepare a scheme for the authority