

# Theology on the Web.org.uk

*Making Biblical Scholarship Accessible*

This document was supplied for free educational purposes. Unless it is in the public domain, it may not be sold for profit or hosted on a webserver without the permission of the copyright holder.

If you find it of help to you and would like to support the ministry of Theology on the Web, please consider using the links below:



Buy me a coffee

<https://www.buymeacoffee.com/theology>



PATREON

<https://patreon.com/theologyontheweb>

[PayPal](#)

<https://paypal.me/robbradshaw>

---

A table of contents for *The Churchman* can be found here:

[https://biblicalstudies.org.uk/articles\\_churchman\\_os.php](https://biblicalstudies.org.uk/articles_churchman_os.php)

dealing with the sociology, magic, and religion of the Eastern Islanders. An introduction has been written by Dr. A. C. Hadden, the editor of the series.



Mr. Bumpus's new book on the "History of English Cathedral Music" has been in preparation for several years. The lives and compositions of the great masters of ecclesiastical music from the time of the Reformation to the close of the last century will be appreciated by many. There are many illustrations.



Father Hugh Benson's next book will not be a novel, but a biography of Thomas à Becket.



A single-volume history of the Jews is being prepared by Dr. M. Epstein, who has been collecting his material for six years.



## Notices of Books.

THE REMINISCENCES OF ALBERT PELL. Edited, with an Introduction, by Thomas Mackay. London: *John Murray*. 1908. Price 15s. net.

If asked to describe Albert Pell in a sentence, one could hardly do better than say he was very much what is usually implied when we term a man "a thorough Englishman," and with many of "the defects of the qualities" of that often-quoted person. He was a man of sterling common sense and a considerable belief in himself, an implacable foe to every kind of humbug, with apparently little taste for learning or art or science (except so far as a knowledge of this bore upon the choice of patent manures), with an immense power of work, and an equally strong belief in demanding from other people the exercise of the virtues of self-effort and self-reliance. He was born in 1820 and died in 1907, and his autobiography, of which this volume mainly consists, gives an account of his career from his earliest years down to 1885, when he retired from Parliament. From boyhood he was an extremely keen observer, and all through life he was an equally outspoken critic of men and their manners; and as it was his lot during an unusually long and active life to fill many parts—a pupil of Arnold's at Rugby, a student (?) at Cambridge, a landowner in East London, Cambridgeshire, and Northamptonshire, a churchwarden, Poor Law Guardian, magistrate, a Member of Parliament, and of several Royal Commissions—his "reminiscences" are extremely interesting reading. He was as much at home in the slums of the East End as he was among the farming folk of the Fens or on his Northamptonshire estates, and wherever he was he always had on hand some good work for the benefit of the poor, but in which he always demanded their co-operation. Those who would learn how to help the poor wisely—witness what he accomplished in the totally different unions of Brixworth and St. George's-in-the-East, in both of which he was for many years a Guardian—will find many a valuable hint in this book. One of Albert Pell's *dicta*—and he gave good reason for his faith

—was that “any union could have just as few, or as many, paupers as its Guardians determined to have.” This statement is, of course, in a measure an exaggeration, but within limits experience has proved that in it there is an immense amount of solid truth. His reforms were, of course, bitterly opposed, but experience proved he was right; and as long as he was on its board, Brixworth was, as St. George’s-in-the-East still is, among the least pauperized unions in the country. The Report of the Royal Commission on the Poor Law now sitting may shortly be expected. Whatever its recommendations may be, I trust they will be carefully examined in the light of such experience as we find recorded in the volume before us. What Albert Pell was able to effect goes very far to show that it is not so much the Poor Law itself which is at fault as the methods by which it is too generally administered. Where administered by experts in the light of the best knowledge available the present law needs little radical alteration. What Mr. Pell found to be true of the Poor Law he found to be equally true of English agriculture. It was not the land that was wrong, nor was it Free Trade that was ruining the farmers—he was the strongest and most thorough of Free-Traders—it was the way in which the land was farmed that needed amendment. Too many farmers, like too many Guardians, did not know, because they did not take the trouble to learn, their business, and Albert Pell did not hesitate to tell both farmers and Guardians his opinion of their capacity and conduct. Another class which from time to time roused his wrath were the clergy. A strong and consistent Churchman, and one who never made the office of churchwarden a sinecure, he looked to the parson to be “sound” and to do his duty. He hated slovenliness, and would not stand neglect, and had little sympathy with what he used to term “Eastward Ho practices.” If anyone wishes to realize the immense difference between the England of 1830 and that of the present day he can hardly do better than read this book; and if he wishes particularly to see the change which has come during this period over the *village* life of England, he will find especially valuable evidence. The book will probably be most helpful to those who are interested in all the various problems connected with the life of the poor, and in the various schemes and methods which have been tried for improving their position. It is certainly a book to be read, and anyone who loves good stories will find such plentifully scattered throughout it. The two appreciations—one by Mr. Thomas Mackay and the other by Mr. James Bryce, both intimate personal friends of Albert Pell’s—which precede the autobiography are both well done, and they supply just that general conception of the author’s character which enables the reader to enter sympathetically, and therefore intelligently, into the autobiography itself.

W. EDWARD CHADWICK.

THE THREE CREEDS. By the Right Rev. Edgar C. S. Gibson, D.D.  
Oxford Library of Practical Theology. London: *Longmans, Green  
and Co.* Price 5s.

This new book by the Bishop of Gloucester should prove of distinct value to theological students and others. It has been necessary on previous occasions to take exception to the volumes of this series. It is with the more pleasure, therefore, that we commend this work. Its germ will be found in the author’s

well-known work on the XXXIX. Articles. This book is to be commended for its clearness, succinctness, having regard to the subject, and at the same time its fulness. It is divided into four chapters. The first deals with Creeds in general—the history of their origin and development. The second deals with the Apostles' Creed—its early history, its later insertions, the use made of it by the Church, and its doctrine. The third chapter deals with the Nicene Creed, and the fourth with the Athanasian Creed. Dissertations of a more critical and minute character and exhibiting careful research are given in the form of notes at the end of the three main chapters. Dr. Gibson places the ordinary reader under a debt of obligation. We know of no book where the desirable information about the Creeds is brought together so clearly and intelligibly and in such a "get-at-able" form. The history and explanation of the points raised by the different heresies dealt with at successive Church Councils are admirably set forth in the chapter on the Nicene Creed, and are invested with an interest and religious meaning which deliver them from the drydust treatment. The book is fresh and readable, and that surely to the ordinary mind must be a high testimony to a book with such a distinctly theological title. We can imagine any intelligent Churchman reading the book with comparative ease and deriving much illumination. Dr. Gibson argues disputed questions with ability and fairness. His own decisions on debatable points are expressed with decision, and where necessary with reserve. In the Apostles' Creed he holds that the term "Catholic" implies, "not only universality, but also orthodoxy." As we might expect, he has some forcible words on the clauses that have reference to the Incarnation and the Resurrection. The story of the development of the Nicene Creed, with the discussion on the Filioque clause, is very valuable and well put. Special interest will attach to the author's treatment of the Athanasian Creed. Those who are staunch upholders of its use will find here a champion of their views. The Bishop upholds the verdict of Waterland with regard to its approximate date, and defends, after J. B. Mozley, Liddon, and many others, what he terms the "Monitory" clauses. He refers to the most recent methods suggested for its use, and writes: "The public recitation of this Creed acts as a solemn reminder of the responsibility of the intellect on matters of faith, with which we can ill afford to dispense; and looking at the importance of maintaining a firm faith in the doctrine of the Trinity and the Incarnation, and having regard to the immense value of the Creed as expanding these doctrines, it would be an incalculable loss, and one which would render the Church's task immeasurably greater than it is at present, if the Creed were to be no longer publicly recited in our churches." Dr. Gibson advocates a retranslation. In this we believe he holds a different opinion to that of his distinguished predecessor in the See of Gloucester, Dr. Ellicott; and whether he has justified its universal and constant use in our churches to-day will still be a matter of dispute. The book is a valuable contribution to students of theology.

SAVING TRUTHS OF THE GOSPEL. By the Rev. F. S. Webster. London  
*Religious Tract Society.* Price 3s. 6d.

A volume of sermons by a well-known Evangelical London clergyman, mainly evangelistic and hortatory, characteristic of present-day Evangelical

preaching. There is continuity in the first five sermons on "The Sacrifice and Death of Christ." The remaining sermons, of a miscellaneous character, are arranged under the headings, "Sidelights on the Sacrifice," "The Benefits of the Sacrifice," and "Practical Issues." The preacher is conscious that the world of to-day needs the old-fashioned Gospel. Hence, the themes are Redemption through the Precious Blood of the Cross and the Work of the Holy Spirit. There is direct preaching on the subjects of Sin, the Atonement, the Holy Spirit, the Spiritual Interpretation of the Old Testament, the Consecrated Life, Worldliness, and Compromise. The essentials of spiritual and evangelical religion are plainly and constantly set forth in an earnest and forcible manner. In a volume containing over thirty sermons one might have reasonably expected something to be said from time to time upon the great questions which concern the Church at the present hour. These subjects do not appear to come within the view of the preacher. The application of the Gospel of Christ to some of the chief perplexities of men's minds at the present day needs something more than a bare occasional allusion. Nor does the question of the Sacraments receive any treatment at all in this volume, though it is a subject on which positive teaching on the other side is most prolific at the present time. The sermons are entirely "undenominational." But perhaps this is because the book is published by the Religious Tract Society. The volume illustrates, however, at once the strength and also the defects characteristic of Church of England present-day Evangelical preaching. The illuminating and teaching note is not strong. The proclamation of the Evangel in its initial steps is all that could be desired. From the literary point of view these printed sermons would be improved by the omission of such homely analogies as that between the life of spiritual failure and a burst motor-tyre; or by the pressing home of our being God's workmanship by the inquiry we make as to a bicycle or a piano, "Who's make?" or such an expression as "the slackers in a football crowd." But the volume represents the earnest setting forth of the Cross of Christ and of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, and may therefore be welcomed.

FROM THE BOOK BEAUTIFUL. By Guy Thorne. London: *Greening and Co.* Popular edition. Price 1s.

A misleading title! If this be an attempt to render Bible stories more interesting, we cannot congratulate the author on the result. An indiscreet episcopal advertisement once helped to give a former book by this author a vast circulation. But we are not among those who believe that the evidence of the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ is to be enhanced by a spicy novel. Nor do we think that Bible incidents set forth in a highly imaginative fashion, as they are here, become really more attractive or useful by being thus dressed up. The author, in the preface, claims to do in words what pictorial art in Bond Street may claim to do for certain selected Bible incidents. He aims at making the Bible readable and popular by blending his fiction with it. The Egyptian or Syrian setting is employed by this "writer of fiction" to "transmute" the stories as we have them in the Bible. This claims to be regarded as "art" and "culture." We doubt it. But it is certainly not religion. The following are the incidents dealt with and their order: The rending of the Temple veil; the fight of Goliath

with David ; Joseph's temptation by Potiphar's wife ; the dream of Joseph, the husband of Mary ; the story of Gehazi, of Judas, and of the rich young ruler. The real story is often hardly recognizable. It is often rendered more ugly than beautiful. It constitutes a form of literature we do not like. If it meets a popular taste, we are sorry for that taste.

CHRISTIAN IDEALS. By J. G. Simpson, M.A. London : *Hodder and Stoughton*. 1908. Price 6s.

Principal Simpson's volume consists of sermons preached during the past fourteen years at Oxford, Cambridge, Leeds, and elsewhere. The writer observes, not without justice, that preaching, like poetry, is a criticism of life. Consequently it is deprived of its message unless it bears some vital relation to the thought and action of the times. Throughout these sermons the preacher has endeavoured to enrich the stock of Christian ideals by presenting the Gospel with directness and simplicity, and with a whole-hearted conviction of its moral power and spiritual inspiration. Scarcely one of the sermons will not bear reading a second time, and we recommend the sermon preached at St. Paul's Cathedral some seven years ago, on Imperialism and service, and a second preached at Dundee, on the responsibilities of parentage, as giving in a succinct and telling way a vivid and thoughtful criticism of two prominent questions of our time. We need in these days men who are not afraid to maintain an unpopular view of certain popular problems. Sincerity in such matters always tells, and we cannot think that a careful reading of Mr. Simpson's volume will be otherwise than valuable in holding up before us a genuine ideal unhampered by certain misconceptions which are apt to gather around matters hotly debated by contemporaries. We are not inclined to agree with the writer, it is true, in some of his statements, but we cordially approve of his real earnestness and the clearness and cogency of his reasoning.

OLD THEOLOGY RE-STATEd. By Rev. E. J. Kennedy. *The Religious Tract Society*. Price 3s. 6d.

Friday morning addresses at St. John's, Boscombe, by a well-known Evangelical preacher. The book is a series of hortatory addresses on the Epistle to the Ephesians. Many will be glad to have in book form some of the results of Mr. Kennedy's valued ministry.

SERMONS AT ST. PAUL'S AND ELSEWHERE. By the late Canon Liddon. *Longmans, Green and Co.* Price 2s. net.

A volume of Longmans' "Pocket Library of Theology." In a brief preface the Bishop of Oxford, by narrating an autobiographical incident, states that he regards Liddon's sermons as an illustration of "knowing what people really need." There are ten of Liddon's well-known sermons, including "The First Five Minutes after Death," and the one on the inscription on the great bell of St. Paul's Cathedral, "Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel." All who have a right to criticize must recognize the solemnity, the dignity, the homeliness without irreverence, the learning, and ordered arrangement of the sermons of one of the greatest of preachers. At the same time we cannot forget that there is a blend of Tractarian doctrine, which we think misinter-

prets the New Testament doctrine and proportion with regard to the Sacraments; and whilst the Atonement is in full view in Liddon's sermons, it is sometimes accompanied by an unreasonable perversion of what the preacher conceives to be the current Evangelical presentation of it. But we can all value Liddon's sermons.

**CHRISTIANITY AND COMMON LIFE.** By Rev. H. R. Gamble. *Longmans, Green and Co.* Price 2s. net.

Another volume of Longmans' "Pocket Library of Theology." The author says "the sermons were addressed not so much to the 'religious' as to men and women living in the 'world.'" We could wish, therefore, that the hearers had had a more explicit New Testament message set before them. Of sin as guilt, of the need of a Saviour, and of the presence of the Holy Ghost dwelling in the heart as the source of holiness, there is little beyond inference. If the "common life" of the West End of London is to be aroused from indifference, worldliness, and practical ignorance of Christ's salvation, there is needed surely a deeper and more searching message than anything to be found here. There is an interesting sermon on "Luke, the Beloved Physician," showing how Christianity gradually won the cultured as well as the unlearned. One recalls the Puritan who, whilst others were preaching for the times, proclaimed his determination to preach for eternity. There is much need of this in the modern published sermons of the English Church.

**CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE.** By Canon Hensley Henson. *Cassell and Co.* Price 1s. 6d.

One of the "Christian Life Series," and is a learned essay on marriage, in which are examined, in turn, marriage in the Old Testament, in Christ's teaching, in St. Paul's teaching, in pre-Reformation times, the effect of the Reformation on marriage, and, finally, Christian marriage under modern conditions. The conclusion may be expressed in the words of the late Lord St. Helier: "Christianity has had no greater practical effect on the life of mankind than in its belief that marriage is no mere civil contract, but a vow in the sight of God binding both parties by obligations of conscience above and beyond those of civil law." Some parts in Canon Henson's essay will be questioned, such as his interpretation of Christ's attitude towards divorce. His book was written before the recent controversy.

**FIVE-MINUTE OBJECT LESSONS TO CHILDREN.** By Sylvanus Hall. *The Vir Publishing Company.* Price 4s. net.

The title exactly describes this book of forty-three addresses to children. This book is printed in the United States, and is written from the American view of life. A common object is used in each address. The truths of Evangelical Christianity are strikingly set forth for the very young mind.

**JOHN NEWTON.** Centenary Memorials. Compiled and edited by Rev. John Callis. London: *Partridge and Co.*

A refreshing draught of the old Gospel. Should be read widely, especially by all ministers. It illustrates Newton's words, quoted by the Bishop of Durham: "My memory is nearly gone, but I remember two things—that I am a great sinner and that Christ is a great Saviour."

**THE STORY OF THE HOMES.** By William J. Taylor.

Describes the work of fifty years in connection with the London Female Preventive and Reformatory Institution, 200, Euston Road, London. Lord Meath writes a commendatory preface. It is a story of self-sacrificing devotion to save the victims of impurity, and constitutes a pathetic claim for financial support.

**A GENERAL ACCOUNT OF MY LIFE.** By Thomas Boston. Edited by the Rev. G. D. Low. London: *Hodder and Stoughton*.

Few people south of the Tweed will, we take it, have the slightest notion who Thomas Boston was, when he lived, or what he wrote. This book will inform them fully, and even with tedious prolixity. None the less, the book is worth looking into. The author of "The Fourfold State" wielded an immense influence in the eighteenth century, and his piety and devotion, his earnestness and his learning, were alike admirable. Mr. Low has done his editorial work well, and his introductions and notes are thoroughly helpful and satisfactory.

**THE TRIAL AND CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH.** By M. Brodrick. London: *J. Murray*. Price 3s. 6d. net.

We are glad to have these lectures in book form. They are, as the author affirms, historical and legal, and not theological. They serve to show the tremendous safeguards the Jewish law furnished a prisoner, and from that proceed to demonstrate the absolute illegality of our Lord's arrest and trial. Where the author is on his main subject we find him convincing and definitely contributing to an interesting and somewhat neglected aspect of our Lord's life. His side references to subjects entailing Higher Criticism leave behind the impression of the "superior" person.

**THE APPEARANCES OF OUR LORD AFTER THE PASSION.** By Henry Barclay Swete, D.D. London: *Macmillan*. Price 2s. 6d.

A narrative of the appearance of our Lord based on the study of documents. Besides the material provided by the New Testament, we have the contributions on the subject by the first-century Gospel to the Hebrews, the second-century Gospel of Peter, and by Ignatius. Some acquaintance with Greek would make the book more valuable to the reader. For Bible-class and sermon-making we earnestly commend the book. The reticence and ripeness of the scholar are combined with the reverence of the believer. The postscript appears to make no distinction between our Lord's coming *for* and *with* His saints.

**NOTES ON THE MIRACLES OF OUR LORD.** By Archbishop Trench. London: *G. Routledge and Sons*. Price 2s. 6d. net.

This popular reissue is a boon. For us the Archbishop is not only pioneer, but *princeps*. Dr. Smythe Palmer writes an illuminating introduction, which is a distinct contribution to the subject. Speaking in terms of highest praise, he says: "His remarkable faculty of exegesis, his accurate knowledge of patristic literature, his scholarship, clearness of insight, sound critical judgment, and unusual width of culture, to say nothing of the massive dignity of his style, make him unique as a commentator."



THE MYSTERY OF THREE. By E. M. Smith. London: *Elliot Stock*.  
Price 3s. 6d.

Ten interesting chapters of Bible study on the above subject by the author of "Zodia." The threefold work of the Comforter and of Creation, the threefold nature of man, the three great Jewish festivals, etc., provide a wide field for lessons on the mysterious and Divine number. The subject is suggestively treated, and, beside the many Bible quotations, frequent and apposite references are made to Dr. Edersheim and others.

MAN'S DAY. By Philip Mauro. London: *Morgan and Scott*. Price 3s. 6d.

This book follows on the same lines as "The World and its God." It is a solemn, earnest book. "Man's Day" stands for man's efforts to procure happiness, peace, and righteousness apart from Christ. Many centuries have demonstrated the utter failure of this. In the main we cannot fail to be in cordial agreement with the author. His message is timely, and likely to arouse us to the dangers and delusions of the god of this world. At the same time, we feel he overstates his case. Whatsoever is good, whether in individual or social life, is of God. It seems to us that he neglects the social side of Christianity. The abolition of slavery must not be credited to the god of this world. If Christians are "light" and "salt," the world around *must* be influenced, even if it is not converted. The writer is a deep student of the Word, has a keen eye for parallelisms, and provides us with a book that makes us think and pray.

CHRIST'S WITNESS TO THE LIFE TO COME. By the Bishop of Durham.  
London: *Seeley*. Price 3s. 6d.

Eighteen sermons, ranging in time and occasions of delivery over a period of nineteen years, preached in various places and under various circumstances, but full of that depth, spirituality, learning, and loyalty to Christ that will always be associated with the name of Dr. Moule. As his preface truly says, "The Name and glory of our Lord and Redeemer . . . are the heart and soul of every discourse."

SIGN-POSTS FOR CHILDREN. By a Grandmother. London: *Elliot Stock*.  
Price 5s.

The Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway writes an appreciative preface. Miss E. A. Ibbs is responsible for the illustrations, which are well done. The book ought to be in the hands of every mother, who will find much guidance for moulding and strengthening the characters of the children. The writer loves children and understands them. She writes more especially for the better class, and the subjects she chooses are twenty in number. They include "Patience," "Humility," "Service," "Faithfulness," "Prayer," "Happiness," etc. All that is written is true, good, and well put. There is a charming simplicity and directness about the book, and its inspiration is from the heights.

QUOTATIONS FOR PULPIT USE. By Dorothy J. Trevaskis. London:  
*Elliot Stock*. Price 6s.

Emerson says, "Next to the originator of a good sentence is the first quoter of it." First or last, no doubt a good quotation at once stimulates the thought of the speaker and strikes the ear of the listener. Over 2,000

are gathered here and arranged under great subjects — *e.g.*, "Faith," "Prayer," "Calvary," "God," "Power," "Love," etc. In these busy days preachers will acknowledge their indebtedness to Miss Trevaskis. Her insight and discrimination are obvious, whether she is choosing poetry or prose, though the number of poetical quotations by far predominate. In admirably fulfilling her task she has lightened ours. The Bishop of Southampton strongly commends in the preface.

THE POETS ON CHRISTMAS. Selected and edited by W. Knight. London: S.P.C.K. Price 2s. 6d.

The editor presses all the poets, well known and obscurer, into his service. We think the idea is an excellent one, and only serves to show what a hold the Incarnation has, and has had, upon the great poetic minds. Poets on the Advent season are also included, giving a necessary reminder of the second coming of our Lord, and there are some upon Epiphany. No doubt some poems, dear to some, may be missing, but we think that the selection is fairly cosmopolitan.

GOLDEN THOUGHTS FROM SIR THOMAS BROWNE. Edited by Herbert Ives. London: J. Lane. Price 1s., 2s.

Sir T. Browne was a Christian, but a large-hearted and tolerant one. He was not free from a mixture of superstition. He was doctor, philosopher, and master of style. His thoughts on "The Strength and Weakness of Man," "The Acquirement of Knowledge," "Life and Death," are worth reading and pondering. The booklet is very tastefully got up.

THOUGHTS ON THE PRAYER BOOK. By the Right Rev. J. C. Ryle, D.D. London: C. J. Thynne. Price 4d. net.

This second edition is welcome. The late Bishop was remarkable for his loyalty to our Protestant Church, for the clearness of his views as well as their cogency. In this is included thoughts on Church and Dissent.

THE DIVINITY OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST. By Canon Liddon. London: Longmans, Green and Co. Price 2s. 6d.

We are indebted to the publishers for this cheap reissue. Did not the title take its rise from the terms of Bampton's will, "Deity" would have been preferable to "Divinity." At a time when the so-called "New Theology" dethrones Christ and denies to us an atoning Saviour and Divine Lord, we are bound to acknowledge the timeliness of this reissue at a price within the reach of all.

#### PERIODICALS AND PAMPHLETS.

THE LICENSING BILL: SOME FACTS AND ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT. By Sir Thomas P. Whittaker, M.P. London: *The Temperance Legislation League*. Price 6d.

A perfect arsenal of ammunition for all temperance advocates. Already it has obtained a very large circulation. It is remarkably clear and convincing.

A HELP TO THE STUDY OF THE CREEDS. By the Rev. W. Duncan Standfast. London: *Simphin, Marshall, Hamilton, Kent and Co., Ltd.* Oxford: *Joseph Thornton and Son*. Price 2s. net.

An endeavour to help students to understand the nature and origin of the three Creeds. In tabular form the statements of the Creeds are compared with the New Testament, and then the histories of the Creeds are given in order, together with quotations from leading patristic theologians. From personal experience with students this book can be warmly recommended.

THE BIBLIOTHECA SACRA. July, 1908. Oberlin, Ohio, U.S.A. Sold by *Kegan Paul and Co.*, London. Price 75 cents.

Of the ten articles included in this number, the first on "The Plagues of Egypt," by Dr. Merrins, and the beginning of a series on "Essays in Pentateuchal Criticism," by Mr. Harold M. Wiener, will be of special interest to our readers. The latter is very forcible and striking. There are also three valuable articles on various aspects of ministerial life and preaching. The relation of the Higher Criticism of Homer to that of the Old Testament is also very ably dealt with, and not the least important article is one on "Evolution and the Miraculous." A very interesting number and full of varied usefulness.

THE OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE REVIEW. July, 1908. London: *Archibald Constable and Co., Ltd.* Price 2s. 6d. net.

The place of honour is occupied by a poem by Mr. George Meredith, entitled "The Call." Other articles include "The Nation: Oxford and Cambridge," by J. A. Venn; "Humanism, True and False," by G. M. Young; and "The Nature and Function of Poetry," by Maurice Browne. We could well have done without the account of "The Last Great Fight at Eton," for it is not an incident that deserves anything like glorification.

THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF APOCRYPHA. London: *International Society of the Apocrypha.* Price 6d. net.

We are always glad to watch the progress of interest in the Old Testament Apocrypha as expressed in this Journal. The first article is by Dr. Streane on "The Prayer of Manasses," and Sir Henry Howorth has transferred his attention from the *Journal of Theological Studies* in writing on "The Bible Canon of the Reformation." In our natural and praiseworthy interest in the Apocrypha we must never lose sight of the fundamental distinction between it and the Old Testament.

MATRICULATION DIRECTORY. No. XLIX. June, 1908. Cambridge: *Burlington House.* Price 1s. net.

Full of information on all points connected with degrees in the University of London.

A SKETCH OF THE FIRST FOUR LAMBETH CONFERENCES, 1867-1897. By the Rev. Walter Hobbhouse. London: *S.P.C.K.* Price 6d.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE AND SPIRITUAL HEALING. By the Rev. W. Yorke Fausset. London: *S.P.C.K.* Price 2d.

PENNY HISTORY OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND. By A. Jessopp, D.D. London: *S.P.C.K.*

SOME THOUGHTS ON DISESTABLISHMENT. By R. H. Malden. London: *S.P.C.K.* Price 2d.

THE BIBLE AND THE ADVENT OF JESUS CHRIST. By the Rev. M. Washington. THE SCIENTIFIC ASPECT OF THE BIBLE. By the Rev. G. T. Manley. London: *Morgan and Scott, Ltd.* Price 3d. each. True helps to Bible study.

CHARITY OF POOR TO POOR. Facts collected in South London at the suggestion of the Bishop of Southwark. Edited by the Head of Cambridge House in Camberwell. London: *S.P.C.K.* Price 2d.

GOD'S CALL: OR, IRELAND FOR CHRIST. By Mrs. Bannister. London: *Irish Church Mission.*

THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE: OR, A SYNOD FOR THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION. By the Rev. Canon F. B. Boyce. London: *The Australian Book Company.*

A BURIED CITY AND ITS WITNESS. By the Rev. Harrington C. Lees. London: *Religious Tract Society.* Price 3s. per 100. Very telling.

PRIVATE JUDGMENT: ITS SCOPE AND LIMITS. By F. K. Aglionby. London: *S.P.C.K.* Price 2d. Wise and balanced.

THE CONTINUITY OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND. By the Rev. Prebendary Winnington-Ingram. London: *S.P.C.K.* Price 1d.

BIBLE READING IN THE PRESENT DAY. By L. H. M. Soulsby. London: *Longmans, Green and Co.* Price 2d. net.

EAST COAST HOLIDAYS. By Percy Lindley. London: 30, Fleet Street, E.C. A new edition of this attractive and useful guide. Information and illustrations are alike good.

TOURIST GUIDE TO THE CONTINENT. By Percy Lindley. London: 30, Fleet Street, E.C. Price 6d. Issued by the G.E. Railway, and of practical value to all who travel by that route.