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CHURCH BOOK ROOM NOTES.

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A LITTLE book entitled *Talks to Teachers in Sunday Schools*, by the Rev. C. H. K. Boughton, B.D., Diocesan Inspector of Schools in Bradford, has

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just come to our notice, and we are very glad to recommend it. The book makes no pretence to be elaborate or exhaustive, or to add anything new to the science of education.

The talks are simply meant to be plain statements of the elementary rules of teaching for those working-class teachers of good intelligence but little leisure by whom Sunday Schools are mainly staffed. A chapter is devoted to "The Teacher," and the book goes on to give some guidance as to the characteristics of the various classes of children who attend Sunday Schools. As the Bishop of Ripon says in a very interesting preface, "The modern results of Child-Psychology have not been sufficiently recognized in the past. Hence the need of knowledge of the children, sympathy with their individuality, and above all that intuition which is the fruit of Love." As regards the methods of teaching Mr. Boughton has a good deal to say and says it well. The book is published at 1s. 3d. net and can be obtained from the Church Book Room.

A new re-print of *Christianity is Christ*, by the Rev. W. H. Griffith Thomas, D.D., has just been issued at 2s. net. Unfortunately the increased price was

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found necessary owing to the exigencies of the present time. The book has had a very large circulation and we hope that there will be a good demand for the present edition. Its aim is to present in a short popular form the substance of

what has been written in recent years on the central subject of Christianity—the Person and Work of Christ.

In view of approaching Confirmation Classes, we have prepared a sample packet of the various Confirmation leaflets and manuals which is published and recommended by the Church Book Room. This packet **Confirmation** can be obtained for 1s. 3d. post free. It contains four courses of instruction to candidates for Confirmation. (1) *Class Notes*, by the Rev. Henry Edwards, which has reached its fourth edition; (2) *A Soldier in Christ's Army*, and (3) *The Christian Disciple*, both by the Rev. Canon E. R. Price Devereux; (4) *Strength for Life's Battle*, taken from addresses given by the late Canon Hoare of Tunbridge Wells. These courses are issued at 2d. net each, or at 14s. per 100. The packet also contains several leaflets on Confirmation suitable for distribution to the congregation before classes, to Candidates when they come forward, and for the newly confirmed; a card entitled *Your Confirmation*, to be given to the candidate, containing special prayers and instructions. Sample Confirmation Hymns, a letter to confirmees on the anniversary of their Confirmation, Confirmation cards and labels are also included in the packet.

In response to many requests the article on *Benediction and its Advocates*, by W. Guy Johnson, which appeared in the *CHURCHMAN* for October, has been reprinted in pamphlet form, price 1d. net each, or

Benediction. 7s. per 100 for distribution. This is a question which has come to the front of late, and this paper puts the issue with remarkable clearness.

The Bishop of Durham a short time ago read a very instructive paper at a large meeting at the Cannon Street, Hotel, organized by the London Clerical and Lay Evangelical Union, entitled *The Power of the Presence and its Relation to the Holy Communion*. The **The Power of the Presence** paper was afterwards printed in pamphlet form and has been out of print. In view of the many requests which have been received a new edition has been printed and is now on sale, price 1d. net, or 7s. per 100.

Arrangements are being made for the re-issue, in pamphlet form, of an address by the Bishop of Durham, entitled *Holy Baptism* (price 1d. net each, or 7s. per 100). The Bishop takes for his text "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." The question of dealing with Infant Baptism is considered in view of Scripture and the teaching of the Church of England. The pamphlet is a suitable one for popular distribution, and will, we think, be of service in general parochial work.

A new edition of Canon Barnes-Lawrence's *Holy Communion, Its Institution, Purpose and Privilege* is now in the press. Canon Barnes-Lawrence has practically re-written the book and the new edition will, we feel sure, be much appreciated by those into whose hands it may come. It will be re-printed in a convenient size for general use. It will be remembered that the book deals by the method of positive teaching rather than by controversial treatment with the fact that the Holy Communion is central to those foundation truths which underlie the whole Christian life. Its reverence, its thoughtfulness, its spirit of sober and quiet devotion, all combine to render it a truly beautiful work. It is intended more for the young of the thoughtful and educated classes. It is hoped to publish at 1s. 3d. and 1s. 6d. net.

The new edition of this well-known manual, by the Rev. W. H. Griffith Thomas, D.D., has been much delayed in the press owing to the shortage of labour. The proofs have now been finally passed and it is hoped that copies of the book will be on sale early in November. Unfortunately the price has had to be slightly increased, as the cost of publishing is now very much in excess of pre-war rates; but as a large edition is being printed and a wide circulation of the book is desired, the increase to 1s. 6d. net for a cloth-bound edition and 2s. net for the cloth gilt edition will not, we hope, prevent a ready sale, particularly as the increase does not cover the whole of the extra cost.

