

work. He had just entered his forty-first year when malarial fever smote him, the last survivor in Africa of the original missionary party, sent out in 1876 by the Church of England Missionary Society in response to Stanley's challenge to England to plant a mission in Uganda. He was no Church of England man, but a son of the Manse, the Free Church Manse of Rhynie in Aberdeenshire. As a student in Edinburgh, I may have met him in the autumn of 1867, when he came to that city. He studied engineering in Edinburgh and Berlin, but in 1876 responded to the call of the Church Missionary Society to accompany a missionary party as chief engineer and officer of construction to Africa. It is impossible in the brief space of a review to give any satisfactory account of his career, his struggles and triumphs with the Pagan king Mtesa, with Mahomedan doctors, with Roman Catholic priests; the murder of his colleagues, his friends, his converts; his labours as an engineer, as the substitute for a doctor, as a missionary, reading and preaching the Word. Bravely, in spite of all opposition, and all alone, he held his fort against fearful odds, and his memory to-day is as fragrant in Africa as that of Moffat and Livingstone. There was nothing sectarian about the man, nothing small, no regard for position, comfort, reputation, no shirking of any duty. He was Christ's missionary to Uganda, and he laid all the treasures of his full, rich, fearless, loving, young heart and life on his Lord's altar. Messrs. Drysdale & Co. supply "Mackay of Uganda," and the other books reviewed.

The article in the January Contemporary that is exciting most attention is Sir Morell Mackenzie's on "Koch's Treatment of Tuberculosis." It is singularly lucid and satisfactory. "The Certainties of Christianity," by Professor J. Agar Beet is all that the believer in revelation could desire, as it meets the objectionable, because untruthful, element in Dr. Abbott's "Illusion in Religion," which appeared in a former issue of the same review. Yet, Dr. Abbott's "Early Life of Cardinal Newman" is good. Bosworth Smith's "Englishmen in Africa," Frank Hill's "Home Rule and Home Rulers," and Dr. Anderson's "Morality by Act of Parliament," dealing with General Booth's scheme, are timely papers, and well worthy of such a glance as a busy man can only afford for reviews.

The last part of the Proceedings of the Society of Biblical Archaeology contains an article in French by the Rev. A. J. Delattre, S.J., translating three of the Tell-el-Amarna letters. It is to me an unspeakable pleasure to find a Jesuit father engaged in constructive work. This order has so far chiefly signalized itself by destruction *ad maiorem gloriam Dei*. When the Jesuit really begins to build instead of to destroy the millenium will come. But why single out the Jesuit? There are Protestants whose "only joy is to destroy," envious, rancorous, untruthful souls, that would move heaven and earth to injure any institution that is not their own, and that does not swear