

recent issues of this magazine there has appeared a series of articles treating of the relations of nations, society and the individual to Christ. These articles have drawn the attention and careful consideration of many readers and deservedly so, for their author (Rev. Michael P. Smith) is a learned theologian and reliable historian. Under the caption of "Reminiscences of a Catholic Crisis in England Fifty Years Ago" there is another instalment of Father Walworth's interesting series of articles descriptive of his personal experiences as a young missionary priest among the peasantry of England. Other instructive and entertaining papers are Dr. Brann's criticism of the much-vaunted Ingersoll, Miss C. Brown's appreciative sketch of the missions of California, and an exquisite description of the beauties of Venice. The illustrations of this issue are excellent notably, those accompanying the last mentioned article.

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To the *Sacred Heart Review* of the issue of September 2nd, Rev. Mr. Starbuck contributes another scholarly paper in continuance of "Considerations on Catholicism by a Protestant Theologian." Readers of the Review will welcome the first half of that attractive Irish story entitled "Bridget's Experiment" from the facile pen of Clara Mulholland. These together with many forceful editorials and important items on literary matters make the issue both interesting and instructive for its large circle of readers.

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CURRENT HISTORY. A Quarterly Summary of the world's news and progress. Second Quarter, 1899. 256 pp. Illustrated with 20 portraits and 19 maps, diagrams and views. \$1.50 a year. Single numbers 40 cents. Sample numbers 25c. Specimen pages free. Boston, Mass. : Current History Co.

Current History is always interesting and instructive and the last number is even more than usually so. This number opens with an article on Wireless Telegraphy in which the Marconi system and other systems of wireless communication are described in a manner that makes the subject plain to every reader. The contents include a succinct review of all matters attracting general attention, amongst which stand prominent the problems arising out of the Spanish War, the work of the Peace Conference at the Hague, the Alaskan and Venezuelan boundary questions, the Samoan difficulty, the Transvaal crisis, and the Dreyfus case.