

in the highest degree gratifying. The venerable Dr. Harman's "Introduction to the Study of the Scriptures" has reached a sale of ten thousand, a very remarkable fact in view of its large size and necessarily somewhat high price. The other volumes have also had a very large sale.

The present volume is the complement of Dr. Miley's previous volume on "Systematic Theology." The same qualities of broad scholarship and accurate yet independent thought which characterized his former volume marks the one under review. The greater part of the book is taken up with the subject of Christology and soteriology, or atonement and salvation in Christ. More and more is the theology of the age becoming Christo-centric. Within the realm of higher systematic thinking as well as of practical evangelization is the scripture fulfilled, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."

Dr. Miley discusses very fully the different theories of the atonement, the theory of moral influence, the theory of satisfaction, the governmental theory, etc., and amply sets forth the consistent Arminian theory of the sufficiency and universality of the atonement. The objections and erroneous teachings on this subject are fully and fairly met.

In this book the great questions of "fixed fate, foreknowledge, and free will," and the doctrine of free agency are treated in a masterly manner. The distinctly Methodist doctrines of justification, regeneration and sanctification are fully vindicated and set forth. The subject of eschatology is treated

with reverence and tenderness and unflinching faithfulness.

*Pan Michael*: An Historical Romance of Poland, the Ukraine, and Turkey. A sequel to "With Fire and Sword" and "The Deluge." By HENRY SIENKIEWICZ. Translated from the Polish by Jeremiah Curtin. Boston: Little, Brown & Company. Price, \$2.00.

Literature has in this *fin de siècle* age become strangely cosmopolitan. Sweden, Russia, Finland, Poland, Germany, Italy, France, Portugal, Great Britain and Greater Britain all pour their separate streams into this wide sea. The remarkable Polish writer of this tale is, we suspect, not widely known in Canada. He has been described as combining the genius of Sir Walter Scott and Cervantes, while in dramatic effect and vivid pictures he has been compared to that greatest of French writers, Victor Hugo. For centuries Central Poland was the buffer between the aggressive Turkish Empire and the rest of Europe. Across the great plain of the Ukraine ebbed and flowed the tide of battle. The period of the tale was two hundred years ago, and in the time of the great Sobieski, the last champion of the freedom of Poland. It is an interesting tale of chivalry, romance, and daring, of splendid heroism and devotion, yet, it has well been said, amid the clash of arms there is love as gentle, tender, enduring and overmastering as in the most advanced civilizations, reminding us of the old truth that human nature is the same everywhere and in all ages.

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#### ABIDE WITH ME.

REACH down Thy hand, O Saviour,  
Thy hand, to grasp my own;  
With all these sore afflictions  
I cannot stand alone.

Thou art the dearest comfort  
There is, or e'er has been;  
Abide with me, dear Saviour,  
Life's long night-rains begin.

—Mrs. M. A. Sutfin.