

The lecturer has little faith in what are sometimes called "special sermons." He would have the truth delivered as a whole; and in every sermon, more or less, let there be a portion for young men and maidens, as well as fathers, not forgetting the children. Of course he would have sermons prepared suitable for such occasions as the Lord's Supper, and Missions; but for funerals or special sermons to young men, he has little favour.

In the lecture on "The Preaching required by the Times," there is a great amount of sound wisdom. This lecture is well worth the price of the book, and might be read with

profit again and again. The concluding lecture on "Our Sources of Power," abounds with encouragement to those engaged in the great work of calling sinners to repentance, and will tend greatly to cheer such as may be tempted to despond.

We have read this volume with great pleasure and profit. The book may well be called, "God's Word, through Preaching;" for the great object of Dr. Hall seems to be, to let young ministers understand what a grand book they have to explain, and how they may draw their strongest arguments and most powerful illustrations from this divine treasury.

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## NOTES ON LITERATURE, &c., &c.

### LITERATURE.

A NEW monthly magazine, in the English language, has been started at Stuttgart, whose English title will be *Over Land and Sea*.

—Mr. Farrar, whose "Life of Christ" has had such a wonderful success, will, it is said, shortly write *A Life of St. Paul*.

—Mr. Gerald Massey will shortly publish a work entitled "Myths Exposed." It will be a contribution to the great religious controversy.

—The Duke of Argyle is said to be engaged on a work which will shortly appear under the title of *Law and Theology*.

—M. Thiers is occupied in writing another important work, entitled "Histoire de l'Art," from notes collected during his late tour in Italy.

—Mr. Hepworth Dixon has in preparation a new work on America. The gradual decadence of the half-breeds will form a prominent topic of the volume.

—The *Athenaeum* says there seems to be a public taste for Mr. Hain Friswell's writings. The first series

of "The Gentle Life" is in a twenty-first edition, and it sees no reason why his new work *The Better Self*, "should not sell equally well. It is quite as full of platitudes."

—Edgar Quinet, who died in France recently, was the author of a large number of works, among the most celebrated of which are a mystical drama, *Ahasuerus*; *Les Jésuites* (written in conjunction with Michélet); *La Révolution religieuse en XIXème Siècle*; and the *Philosophy of French History*.

—The larger part of the third edition of Mr. Moncreux D. Conway's *Sacred Anthology* has been purchased, says the *Academy*, by an English gentleman, and presented to the Brahmo-Somaj of India. In consequence of this Mr. Conway will at once bring out a fourth edition, which will contain a new and extended preface. This work has also run through two editions in America, and is already largely used as a lectionary in theistic pulpits both in America and England.

—The Dean of St. Paul's and Mr. Beresford Hope have issued the