

direct him, he will find that master minds have already been thinking and writing for him. It is significant to find not only many of the magazine writers handling the topics of the pulpit as if confident that there they could influence a wide circle, but leading statesmen make time to deal with theological questions, and that not as a piece of by play but with serious attention. Salisbury addresses the Science Congress on Evolution, with helpful reference to the religious aspect of that question: Balfour writes on the Foundations of Belief: Gladstone is giving us a commentary on Butler, whose *Analogy and Sermons* is still one of the outstanding classics of English theology.

I have never cared much for reading sermons. Yet there are some sermon writers with whom the young minister should be acquainted, especially Robertson of Brighton, Archer Butler, Maclaren of Manchester, Bushnell and Beecher, with Spurgeon's selected sermons, and also some of Moody's and John McNeill's. Personally, I have been more indebted to sermons of Norman Macleod's than to any others.

Of helpful commentaries and books of exposition there is certainly no lack. We have individual commentaries on separate portions of Scripture by men of high attainments like those of Delitzsch and Perowne, of Meyer, Lightfoot and Westcott, and now we are getting connected commentaries, embracing the whole Bible, by some of the foremost scholars of the English-speaking race. If all the volumes of *The International Critical Commentary* which is intended to cover the entire Scriptures, will prove as excellent as the volume on *Romans* by Sanday and Headlam, already issued, the series will indeed, as the "British Weekly" said of it, mark an epoch in English exegesis. *The Expositor's Bible Series*, which already includes a large portion of the Old and New Testaments and which is rapidly approaching completion, is wonderfully, though by no means uniformly, rich and helpful. But the young minister may find in our College Calendar lists of books recommended in connection with each department, and if he wishes to enlarge the lists he need only examine the calendars of our other Theological Colleges. He should, however, take some of the reviews or journals that are specially intended for clergymen and thus keep himself informed on what is being done in his own parti-