

Japan and Korea, the countries to which all eyes are now turned expectantly, are the prominent fields discussed in the September number of the *Missionary Review of the World*. Dr. H. C. Underwood, the well-known Korean missionary, writes an interesting and timely article on "Korea To-day." The situation in Japan is likewise ably presented by Dr. George William Knox, of Tokio, and by Dr. J. H. De Forrest. Another subject of immense importance, "Hindrances to Missions found in the Working Force," is discussed by the Editor-in-chief. Among these hindrances he names and describes Secularism, Sensationalism, Indifferentism, and Rationalism as tendencies which threaten the life of the Church.

*The Treasury of Religious Thought* for September is replete, as usual, with a fine array of material to helpful pastors and Christian workers. The initial sermon, "Christ, His Teaching and the Teacher," is by the Rev. John T. Chalmers, D. D., pastor of the Fourth United Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Pa. His portrait, biographical sketch and view of the Church are also given. Space will not admit of even a general outline of the contents of this number, but the baccalaureate sermon preached at Wellesley College by Rev. John Henry Barrows, D. D., of Chicago, on "The Ideal Woman, her Perils and Opportunities, deserves particular attention, as it suggests through education, fostered by Christian influences, a solution of the perplexing woman question.

Readers of *The Homiletic Review* for September will find much that is helpful and suggestive. Prof. Theodore W. Hunt, of Princeton, opens the Review Section with a forcible presentation of "The Mental Demands of the Ministry," showing that there is no profession that can compare with it in the requisitions made upon the intellectual faculty and function. Dr. C. B. Hulbert, of Adams Mills, Ohio, emphasizes the "Importance of Declaring all the Counsel of God," and of shunning a one-sided presentation of truth. "The Second Service" is the subject discussed by Dr. David J. Burrell, of New York, in a practical way. Prof. Wilkinson gives his third, and final, contribution on "The Imprecatory Psalms," and Dr. Ward answers briefly, yet comprehensively, the question, "Who are the Hutites?"

*The Methodist Review* for September-October contains, among other interesting articles, "Dogma and Opinion within Roman Bounds," "Reciprocity of Art and Religion," "The Methodist Episcopal Church in her Relation to the Negro in the South," "Our Men and Women," "Actions and Reactions prior to May, 1892—An Irenicon," by President Warren, of Boston University, and "The Refugee Churches in England," by Prof. Baird, of University of New York City. The Arena and the Itinerant's Club are always interesting, and we hope to see our Round Table equally so.

*The Preacher's Assistant*. The July and August numbers contain, in the Sermonic Section, excellent sermons on "The Manifold Gospel," "The First Resurrection," "The Love We Owe," etc. The other departments, Bible Study and Christian Work, Current Thought in Philosophy and Religion, and Editorial, are well sustained, making this magazine, on the whole, one of the most useful of its kind, especially for youthful preachers.

In the September number of *Christian Literature and Review of the Churches*, "Heresy and Schism," by Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone, M. P., is the leading article. As usual, "Christian Unity" is kept well to the front, the "Mansfield Summer School of Theology" being dealt with as a step in that direction, and the progress of the movement is treated fully.

*Our Day* for July-August, edited by Joseph Cook, contains his Boston Monday Lectures on "The Fiendishness of Caste" and "The Peerlessness of Christian Family Life," besides three articles on the Afro-American Question.