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*Christian Literature and Review of the Churches*, New York. The May number begins Vol. XI., and is true to its name, giving the contents and index of religious periodicals and a synopsis of all important articles, besides a careful review of books. It keeps in close touch with "the progress of the Churches," missionary problems, and the "Reunion Movement." "Women with World-wide Aims" is an interesting interview with Lady Henry Somerset and Miss Frances Willard (illustrated). The most significant article is Prof. Lindsay's sketch of the late Prof. Wm. Robertson Smith, under the title of "Pioneer and Martyr of the Higher Criticism" (illustrated).

*The Critical Review of Theological and Philosophical Literature*, edited by Prof. S. D. F. Salmond, D.D., published by T. & T. Clark, Edinburgh. This is not a magazine of articles, but what its name implies, an able critical review of select works continually issuing from the press in the theological and philosophical field of literature. The man who reads this periodical will keep himself abreast with the best thought in these lines. The April number has an excellent table of contents.

*Christian Thought* for April contains: "The Bible and Science," by Prof. Wright, of Oberlin; "The Quality of Immortality," by Prof. Herron, of Iowa College, and other articles and addresses which show that the drift of thought is turning from "What do you think about God?" to "What do you think about man?" and this "newer religious thinking" is influencing our theological thought. Theodore F. Seward, founder of the Brotherhood of Christian Unity, writes on "The year 1893 and the Federation of the World," as seen in the Parliament of Religions.

*The Presbyterian and Reformed Review*, Philadelphia, for April, has articles on "The Sabbath School Movement of To-day," "The Ecclesiastical Situation in Scotland," "The Witness of the Reformed Church of Germany against Rationalism," "Klosterman on the Pentateuch," "Christian Beneficence and Some New Theories Affecting Property," and two able discussions of Christian Missions, besides the reviews of recent theological literature.