

Associate Editor

### THE BOOK PAGE

Books for review to be sent to the EDITORS OF THE TEACHERS MONTHLY, Room 87, Confederation Life Building, Toronto.

**Thoughts for the Sundays of the Year.** By the Right Rev. Handley C. G. Moule, D.D., Bishop of Durham. The Fleming H. Revell Company. Pages 256; price \$1.00 net.

In the second of the short papers of which this book is made up, there is an earnest plea for the sanctity of the Lord's Day. Especially worthy of note are the words in which the author deprecates the use of public conveyances on the Sabbath. He remarks that he speaks the more earnestly on this subject "since an occasion when, addressing a gathering of railway-men, I remarked passing, that I never used the train on Sunday; their delight loudly expressed, I shall never forget." The benefit of making a "difference between our Sunday reading and that of the week day," is defended against the objection of narrowness. This volume, the fifty-two portions of which originally appeared in the weekly issues of The Sunday at Home as "Thoughts for the Day of Days," is an excellent example of the kind of Sabbath reading which is interesting and profitable.

**Village Work in India.** By Norman Russell. The Fleming H. Revell Company, Toronto. Pages 251; price, \$1.00.

"Ninety per cent. (of the population of India) or 270,000,000 live in villages." "I have estimated that

in the western half of Central India . . . out of 17,000 villages we occupy permanently only eighteen." Such statements as these give force and point to Mr. Russell's argument that "the large proportion of missionary effort" in India should be directed to the evangelization of the villages. The story of preaching tours among the thickly-massed villagers presents in a most impressive way the magnitude of the task which our missionaries have to face, of bringing the gospel to bear on these teeming millions. Interesting incidents abound in these pages, and they contain informing discussions of the social and religious customs and of educational methods. Students who wish to follow up our mission to India, will find the chapters on the establishment of its work in Dhar and the commencement of operations among the Bhils of great value. There are some vivid pictures of the terrible famine period of 1899-00 in another chapter. The volume closes with a powerful statement of the great missionary problem as it affects India, and some cheering testimony concerning the bright prospects of missionary effort, especially among the young.

**The Threefold Fellowship and the Threefold Assurance.** By B. M. Palmer, D.D., LL.D., Richmond, Va.: The Presbyterian Committee of Publication. Pages 144; price 75c.

Dr. Palmer, who died May 28 in his eighty-fourth year, as the result of a trolley car accident, was the most prominent minister in the Southern States. A sermon which he preached on Thanksgiving Day,

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