

hope have failed, and the people can no longer procure grass and nettles to eat, and he is about to yield and treat with the Spaniards, his brave-souled wife inspires him to still further resistance, and after ten direful months of siege the dykes are broken, the relieving fleet sails over submerged meadows and orchards, and food—abundant food—is thrown into the starving city. Then they move by a common impulse to the church, where the burgomaster's tomb is still seen; but the hymn of thanksgiving into which they burst is soon choked with tears.

William Gottsberger is the authorized publisher in America of Ebers' works. They are issued in cheap and elegant style.

*Universalism Against Itself. A Scripture Analysis of the Doctrine.* By A. WILFORD HALL, Ph. D. Pp. 330. New York: Hall & Co.

This is a revised and enlarged edition of a work which has been for some time before the world, and of which over 40,000 copies were sold by the Methodist Book Concern—a pretty good proof of its merit. We do not know that Universalism is to any great extent prevalent in Canada, but if it were we judge this volume an admirable antidote to that dangerous heresy. The author critically examines forty-four principal proof-tests supposed to favour Universalism, and shows the utter fallacy of that interpretation. To the volume are added two valuable essays—"The Immortality of the Soul Philosophically Demonstrated," and "Does Death End All?"

*Tokio Lectures: I. Christianity and Civilization, with a Prelude on the Antiquity of Man.* By the Rev. C. S. EBY, M.A.

A scheme of public lectures on the rational basis of Christianity has been proposed by the Rev. C. S. Eby, M.A., the accomplished missionary of our Church in Japan. The lectures will deal with the social, political, historical, scientific and ethical relations of Christianity and its comparison with other religions.

While designed specially for the educated Japanese public, they are given also in English for the benefit of the foreign residents. The first of these lectures is before us—a well printed pamphlet of 53 pages. The Hon. J. A. Bingham, United States Minister in Japan, introduced the lecturer in an excellent address. It is a significant circumstance that the great scientific and religious questions of the day are profoundly agitating the minds of the Japanese, and it is a wise and fitting thing not to ignore, but to calmly discuss these questions as is here done. In his prelude Mr. Eby deals some hard blows at the alleged antiquity of man, and in his able lecture he shows that the potential principle of modern civilization is its essentially Christian character.

*The Gospel according to Moses: or, The Import of the Ancient Jewish Service.* By the Rev. W. W. WASHBURN, A.M. Cincinnati: Walden & Stowe.

In these instructive pages, Mr. Washburn, who is a member of the Detroit Conference, traces the idea of Sacrifice through the Mosaic writings from that of Abel and of the patriarchal times, and points out the distinctive features and religious symbolism of the different varieties of sacrifice of the Levitical economy. The key of their meaning is the word Atonement—atonement by substitution, pointing to the One Great Sacrifice of the New Covenant. In brief space this important subject is ably treated.

*Traits of Representative Men.* By GEORGE W. BUNGAY. 12mo, pp. 286. New York: Fowler & Wells.

George Bungay is well known as the author of several successful books such as "Off-Hand Takings," "Crayon Portraits," and "Pen Sketches," and of many clever poems, including the popular "Creeds of the Bells." These are not finished biographical studies, but rapid sketches of some thirty-five of the more prominent "men of the time," about whom we have all heard and have a curiosity to hear more. Mr. Bungay's style is somewhat florid, but he has