

IN THE REALM OF BOOKS

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reads himself wilfully out of his church because he is convinced that by staying in it he will lose his soul through insincerity. Very good. There is nothing new or unusual in that. Righteous men through all ages have refused to profess creeds in which they have lost faith. Their doing so, however, has never necessarily indicated that the creed in question was wrong. "The Soul of a Bishop" is so much a re-hash of "God the Invisible King," that one marvels that the author himself did not tire of the repetition. The public might be interested once, in Mr. Wells' personal religious ravings, anyone can stand anything once!

On the Edge of the War Zone

By MILDRED ALDRICH.

Musson Book Co. \$1.25.

THOSE who have already read Miss Aldrich's "Hill Top on the Marne," of which this is a continuation, will not require any recommendation of this later work. This consists of a series of letters, written to a friend in America and ranging in date from September, 1914 to April, 1917. It is practically a chronicle of the reconstruction of civil life in France in the district swept by the Germans on their march towards Paris.

Miss Aldrich succeeds in giving us several vivid pictures of the destruction wrought by the Boche. Of the deliberate destruction of Rheims Cathedral, she says:—"Men have come and men have gone—it is the law of being. But the wilful, unnecessary destruction of the great works of man, the testimony which one age has left as a heritage to all time—for that loss neither Man nor Time has any consolation. It is a theft from future ages, and for it Germany will merit the hatred of the world through the coming generations."

Miss Aldrich has much to say in praise of the French "poilu," and the book ends on a note of exultation at the entrance of America into the war. On the whole, this is a worthy contribution to the literature of the war and will repay the time spent in its perusal.

Anne's House of Dreams

By L. M. MONTGOMERY.

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ALL who have followed with interest the career of Miss Montgomery's charming child heroine, "Anne of Green Gables," will be glad to renew their acquaintance with her in the author's latest volume, "Anne's House of Dreams." This is the chronicle of the first few years of Anne's married life and while in it we renew our friendship with many old friends, we are introduced to several new characters. Of these the most striking are "Miss Cornelia," and "Captain Jim." Miss Cornelia, "who did not hate men, but just naturally despised them," is a quaint and laughable figure, while "Captain Jim," with his tender heart and keen sense of the ridiculous, his love of cats and dogs and friendly interest in all his neighbors' concerns, will be dear to the heart of all who read. The story is a simple and pleasant little one and will be greatly enjoyed by girls, old and young. There is nothing morbid about Miss Montgomery's writings. They are thoroughly wholesome reading, taking the place, for this generation, of the "Little Women" and "Good Wives," dear to the hearts of the girls of that which has just passed.

Donald and Helen

By R. W. CAMPBELL.

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A DESCRIPTION of life in a Highland Regiment, being part of the "Old Army." The story ends with the opening of the present war. With it is interwoven the tale of the rivalry of two officers of the Regiment for the hand of Helen, the beautiful daughter of a Scottish Chieftain. The details of regimental life are interesting, but the book is written in an irritatingly flippant style and interspersed with stale anecdotes, occasionally in somewhat doubtful taste, and the principal characters are wooden and unlikable. Some of the pictures of barrack-room life, however, are picturesque and vivid.

NEEDED PRECAUTION

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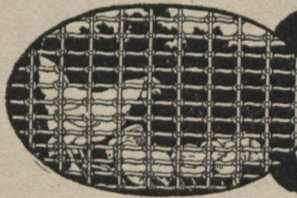
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