

"The Mediation of Jesus Christ." A Contribution to the Study of Biblical Dogmatics. By Milton S. Terry, D.D., LL.D. New York: Eaton & Mains. Cincinnati: Jennings & Pye. Toronto: William Briggs. Pp. 208. Price, 75 cents net.

Dr. Terry tells us that he prefers the title, "Mediation," in preference to "Atonement, Reconciliation, Redemption, and other terms of like import, as being on the whole more comprehensively expressive of the ever-living presence and power of our Lord as the Saviour of mankind." The book is not polemical, but constructive, and will be greatly helpful to clarity of thought on this important subject. Chapters are devoted to the doctrine and ideals of incarnation, Greek, Roman, and Hindu; and to mediation as symbolized in priestly service and Levitical ritual, in the Prophets and Psalms, in the Gospels and Epistles of the New Testament. Dr. Terry has condensed into a small book his conclusions of many years on this great theme.

"Uncle Joe Little." Life and Memoirs of Joseph Russell Little. By the Rev. L. Bartlett. Price, \$1. Toronto: William Briggs.

Canadian Methodists, and indeed Canadians in general, will appreciate this life-story of "Uncle Joe." The big-hearted Irishman spent most of his life as a local preacher in Lambton County, during his earlier years acting as school-teacher as well. He arrived there long before the days of railroads, telegraphs, and telephones. The book presents a faithful picture of the privations of the early settlers. It is mostly a collection of anecdotes of the life of the genial Irish bachelor, who was "uncle" to every family in Lambton, and at home in everybody's

house. His generosity made it impossible for him to keep a dollar or a foot of land. Tales are told of many times when he traded his new boots for some poor man's ragged ones. In the words of one of his parishioners, "I'd be after having a poor opinion of a dog that didn't like Uncle Joe."

"Canadian Born." By E. Pauline Johnson (Tekahionwake). Toronto: George N. Morang & Company. Price, 75 cents.

This little collection of poems breathes throughout the fresh breath of Canada. For a small volume it certainly presents many phases of Canadian life. The vigour of the young Britons and the plaintive sadness of the children of the forest are expressed with like fidelity. The writer seems to have gazed with sympathetic eyes from the low, red tides of Fundy to the crags of Crow's Nest Pass. She shows, too, a deep sympathy with all conditions of life, with the ranchman and the mariner, the old corn-husker, the beautiful squaw at her quill-work, and the Indian lover in the plaintive "Legend of Qu'Appelle Valley."

"The Other Room." By Lyman Abbott. New York: The Outlook Company. Toronto: William Briggs. 8vo. Pp. 120.

Many readers have followed with intense interest the articles in The Outlook in which its sage and seer-like editor has written a new apologia for the Christian faith. These thoughtful chapters show not merely the sweet reasonableness of the doctrine of immortality, but also its fundamental necessity to Christian faith. The book will bring comfort to sorrowing hearts, inspiration to them that be cast down, and will tend to inspire new faith in souls that are smitten with the paralysis of doubt.

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Sweet boyish treble from a marching choir  
With melody suffused each vaulted line  
Of Gothic Architecture's chaste design;  
And stirred silk emblems of a nation's ire  
Hung high (blood-stained in mock of God's  
desire

For peace), o'er altars, chalices for wine,  
And carved reredos, seeming very mine  
Of diamonds in the storied stain-glass fire.

But still my heart, a publican dismayed  
At ritualistic pomp, with simpler mind  
Sought through an open port that sacristy  
Where wondrous arched mosaics of light  
and shade,

And colonnades of trees have always  
shrined

Contentment with time's changing ministry.

—Silas Salt.