

"The Funeral: Its Conduct and Proprieties." By Joseph N. Greene. Cloth, 16mo, 109 pages. Cincinnati: Jennings & Graham. Toronto: William Briggs. Price, 50c. net.

There is no occasion where any deviation from the proprieties or the correctness of things jars more or is more to be regretted than at a funeral—the one place of all where everything must be done "decently and in order." This little volume by Rev. Joseph N. Greene, just issued from the press of the Western Methodist Book Concern, makes the desired order both possible and easy. Suggestions are offered in the several divisions of the book to the undertaker, the minister, the bereaved, and the friends, and a comprehensive index makes any point instantly accessible. The mission of the book is, therefore, not to the few, but necessarily to the many.

"The Walk, Conversation, and Character of Jesus Christ Our Lord." By Alexander Whyte, D.D. New York, Chicago, Toronto: Fleming H. Revell Company. Pp. 340. Price, net \$1.50.

Dr. Whyte has won a distinguished reputation by his six volumes of studies of Bible character and his vivid Bunyan characters. He is a master of the art of vivid portraiture and careful discrimination. The perennial interest of such "biographs" as he has written is attested by the continued demand for his books. This volume is, we judge, his masterpiece, as its subject is the great Master Model of mankind. The style is terse, strong, epigrammatic, illuminated with metaphors and similes akin to those of the great Master of Parables Himself.

"The Life Everlasting." Studies in the Subject of the Future. By Rev. David Purves, M.A. Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark. Toronto: William Briggs. Pp. x-265.

The solemn subject of last things is one that is of infinite importance. Nothing can be more helpful than the study of the glorious doctrine of the Atonement and the Resurrection and the Life to Come to aid in the guidance of conduct and building of character. An interesting section is devoted to Immortality and Literature, citing the attitude of science, the verdict of philosophy, the language of poetry. All these are corroborations of the teachings of the Word of God.

"Great Facts for Christian Living." By Geo. B. McLeod, M.A., Pastor First Presbyterian Church, Truro, N.S. Toronto: William Briggs. Pp. 222.

This volume is of superior literary merit, elevation of thought, and deep spiritual insight. Its chapters form a magnificent apologetic, defending the old truth of Christianity against the manifold assaults of recent times. They are rich in literary allusion and quotation, and their argument is logic set on fire with intense moral earnestness. We commend this book to our Methodist readers as a type of the vital and virile preaching of that Presbyterian Church with which we hope to unite our fortunes and our forces in the near future.

"Books for Bible Students." Edited by Arthur E. Gregory, D.D. "Studies in Homiletics." By Robert J. Wardell. London: Chas. H. Kelly. Toronto: William Briggs. Pp. xxiv-204.

This is especially a book for preachers. It is a sort of manual on sermon construction. It describes methods, with examples of their application. It will be found very stimulating and suggestive in Bible exposition.

"Report of the Bureau of Mines, 1904. Part II. Thos. W. Gibson, Director. The Limestones of Ontario." By Willet G. Miller. Toronto: Printed and published by L. K. Cameron.

The Report of the Bureau of Mines of Ontario is devoted chiefly to the limestones of the province, some of these approaching in quality excellent marble, others possessing even greater economic value. Their record is clearly and concisely set forth.

"The Story of the Upper Room." By John Telford, M.A. London: Chas. H. Kelly. Toronto: William Briggs. Pp. viii-248.

This is a devout and beautiful series of sermons on the farewell discourse of our Lord in the upper room where it was held "the last sad supper with His own." Mr. Telford possesses a keen insight into the heart of things, and into the Scriptures which he expounds. It gives new life and meaning to the tender story of the closing hours of our Lord's life and ministry.