

hurrying multitude. The time has passed when a few men in cloisters do all the thinking, make the literature, and represent their age to all coming time, so that students learning what they were say such was their age, though they were not one in ten thousand of all the people. The people were not to be taken account of at all. The histories of peoples were not written; the histories of rulers, their scrambles, and crimes, were written. In those times, to convince the cloister and the court of the truth of Christianity, was to win the world in the esteem of history and future ages, though millions sank into perdition just at the foot of the throne, or at the door of the cathedral. Now that is all changed. If Christianity can win the people it will be sure to win, or it can be indifferent to the few who rule, and the few others who make learned books read only by a very small, select, yawning circle.

This book of *Infallible Proofs* is for the wider circle of the people. "Nelson on Infidelity," published more than thirty years ago, was a readable work on the evidences, ran through many editions, read by all classes and did incalculable good. The work now under review is equally attractive in style, felicitous in illustration, and covers a wider view of the subject under discussion. As to its interest, many who cannot afford the time and patience necessary to go into a novel far enough to be interested in the plot will be taken with the first chapter of this book, and follow it to the end. The chapters on the harmony of Scriptural statements with the known truths of science could only have been written to-day, and the facts presented are a confirmation of the belief that the Bible is of God as strong as prophecy itself. In this we have evidence which our fathers had not. Then nearly the whole of the latter half of the book is devoted to the discussion of questions recently pushed up to the surface concerning Christ, "The Divine Person."

Taken as a whole, this is just such a book as may safely be put into the hands of many young people who ask for something that will establish their faith in Christianity, in the face of Ingersollism and the like, but who would find the great works on evidences above their present stage of development; and learned and cultivated men and women always read with profit books like this one, written for the people.

*The Psychology of Attention.* By TH. RIBOT. Authorized translation. The Open Court Publishing Co., Chicago. 8vo, pp. 121. Price 75 cents.

A celebrated French critic has characterized the monograph of M. Ribot upon the "Psychology of Attention" as the most remarkable production of the philosophical press of France for the year of 1889. M. Ribot, who, in his own country, may be regarded as the inaugurator of modern psychological research, now occupies the chair of comparative and experimental psychology at the Collège de France, and is the editor of the foremost philosophical review of the continent, the *Revue Philosophique*. His works upon the Diseases of Will, of Memory, and of Personality, are universally known.