

outlines are fresh, scholarly, practical and full of varied thought such as would stimulate the careful reader to treat the same subject for himself from the particular standpoint best suited to his own needs. The author's exceptional knowledge of the human heart and of the laws of spiritual growth or decline constantly lead him to apply familiar passages to illustrate the inner history of the soul in a way which cannot fail to be helpful. We cordially commend this volume, especially to the younger clergy, who perhaps most need help of this kind. Probably there are very few, if any, who would not find themselves abundantly repaid by its study. Dr. Mortimer has lately accepted the important parish of St. Mark's, Philadelphia, in succession to the new bishop of Milwaukee.

It is an especial pleasure to THE REVIEW to notice this valuable work of Dr. Mortimer's, gracefully dedicated as it is to the Rev. the Provost of Trinity College.

DR. BOURINOT'S PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE AND PRACTICE.*

SOME time ago an eminent graduate of the University of Cambridge, published a very learned work on a branch of applied Physics. The present writer meeting the author soon after, remarked that he had seen but one review of the book, and he supposed, the reason was, that hardly any one was qualified to review it. Although the author did not admit the reason, there can be no doubt that the suggestion was near the truth. It is with something of the same feeling that we open this goodly volume of a man who probably knows more of the subject treated in his book, than any man living. A reviewer's task, therefore, is restricted to noticing the contents of the work, and the manner and style of its composition. The author tells us that his purpose was to give such a summary of the rules and principles which guide the practice and proceedings of the Parliament of Canada as will assist the parliamentarian and all others who may be concerned in the working of our legislative system. Although these were in the first case derived from the Imperial Parliament, yet in the course of years divergences of practices have arisen, and precedents have been introduced which render a special work on our Canadian methods a necessity. Dr. Bourinot has not only made ample provision for this need, but has enabled his readers to compare Canadian with British procedure. The author has considerably given an introductory chapter on the origin and gradual development of parliamentary institutions in the Dominion, and he has added in the same chapter a digest of the decisions of the judicial committee of the Privy Council, and of the Supreme Court of Canada which bear upon the question of the relative jurisdictions of the Parliament, of the Dominion, and the Legislative bodies of the Provinces. After this the writer takes up in succession, the Senate and House of Commons; the speakers and officers of the two houses; the privileges and powers of Parliament; rules, orders and usages; meeting, prorogation, and dissolution of Parliament; order of business; petitions; orders and addresses for accounts and papers; motions; rules of debate; divisions; relations between the two Houses; public and private bills, etc., followed by an appendix containing the British North America Act, and other documents of subordinate but similar character. This second edition of the work, the author tells us, is not only revised, but considerably enlarged by bringing all the precedents down to the latest date, and by making it in other ways as

useful as possible to all students of the constitutional system of Canada. The new rules and forms of the Senate in divorce proceedings have been given at length, and the practice of that House in such cases explained as fully as practicable. A chapter has been added on the practical operation of parliamentary government in which the author endeavours successfully to explain the nature of the conventions and understandings which govern what is generally known as responsible or parliamentary government. An immense list is prefixed of the principal authorities cited in the work, so that the student may carry on his inquiries into the details of any particular subject which he may wish to make himself further acquainted with. That this work in its first edition should have become a classic, a standard authority on the great subject with which it deals can be no matter of surprise. It is not easy to make a book on such a subject exactly light or easy reading; but we can testify that every topic is treated with the utmost lucidity, and that in every page we have evidences of the author's deep and varied learning. There can be no doubt that this second edition will fully maintain the position already gained by the first. The book, in short, will be quite indispensable to senators, members of parliament, lawyers, and all who wish to have either a knowledge of the Canadian constitution or a book of reference in case of questions arising on this subject. We must not neglect to add an expression of the gratitude which we owe to Dr. Bourinot for the honour which he has conferred upon his University and ours. In the front of the volume stands this graceful dedication: "To Trinity College, Toronto, my Alma Mater, I dedicate this book in evidence of my affection and esteem."

RECENT WORKS IN PHILOSOPHY.

WE are happy to welcome the first number of a new series of *Mind*, a journal of Psychology and Philosophy, which has for a good many years been the vehicle for the publishing of the best essays by English writers on Psychology and Metaphysics. There is a new editor, Mr. G. F. Stout, of St. John's College, Cambridge, who takes the place of Professor Croom Robertson, of University College, London, who has held that position from the beginning of the publication of *Mind*. Our readers may be aware that this publication has been open to writers of ability, to whatever School of Philosophy they may have adhered. Mr. Herbert Spencer and Mr. Sully have contributed and promise to contribute in the future. On the other hand, a large portion of Mr. Green's *Prolegomena* and *Ethics* appeared in the pages of *Mind*. The first number of the new series is a strong one. Mr. W. E. Johnson begins a set of papers on the Logical Calculus; Mr. S. Alexander writes on the Idea of Value; Mr. J. Ellis McTaggart discusses the Changes of Method in Hegel's Dialectic; and Professor Lloyd Morgan discusses the Law of Psychogenesis. The Critical Notes and Reviews are of interest and value. The publication is indispensable to students of contemporary philosophy. We must, for the present, simply announce the appearance of the second volume of the extremely valuable work on Psychology, by Professor J. Mark Baldwin, of the University of Toronto. It will be seen by the Calendar that this is one of the books recommended for use by the students of Philosophy in Trinity University. We hope to give a careful notice of this new volume in a future number of the REVIEW.

REV. DR. MOCKRIDGE resumed lectures last week, after a long absence through illness, from which he has at length fairly recovered.

**Parliamentary Procedure and Practice*: with a review of the origin, growth, and operating Parliamentary Institutions in the Dominion of Canada. By J. G. Bourinot, C.M.G., LL.D., D.C.L. Second edition. Revised and enlarged. Montreal: Dawson Brothers, 1892.