

a fact obvious to every careful observer that the Churches which use good Catechisms diligently are marked by great soundness in the faith. Look at the Presbyterians of Scotland—the Dutch Reformed—the leading Presbyterian Churches in the United States—and you find that Orthodoxy still prevails—that the foundations of sound doctrine lie, deep and secure, in the hearts of the people. If then we as a body desire to see our people settled in the faith, safe from the assaults of false teachers, let us not fail to encourage the good old system of catechizing.

NOTICES OF BOOKS.

MARION LESLIE, or the Light at Home, with an Introduction, by the Rev. H. A. Boardman, D.D. 18mo., pp. 295. Philadelphia Presbyterian Board of Publication.

Part of the interest of this little work is derived from the fact, that it was written by a young lady during the course of her last illness. Early devoted to the Saviour, she not only enjoyed the comforts of his presence during her long and trying illness, but sought for usefulness in the preparation of this little work, by which she being dead might yet speak, in lessons of warning and instruction, especially to those of her own age and class. It describes the temptations of young Christians surrounded by gay relatives and friends, and forcibly teaches the benefit of firm adherence to religious principle in such cases, and it is particularly fitted to be useful to that interesting class.

REMARKABLE ESCAPES FROM PERIL, Illustrative of Divine Providence. 18mo., pp. 308. Same Publishers.

The title of this work explains its nature. Truth is stranger than fiction, and the hair-breadth escapes from imminent danger as here recorded in the lives of such men as John Newton, John Bunyan, and in the history of the Church, particularly in times of persecution, form one of the most remarkable chapters in the records of Divine Providence. Such a work therefore supplies not only reading of an interesting character, but also matter that is fitted to excite the most reverent and confiding feelings toward the Divine Ruler of the Universe.

THE BEAUTY OF IMMANUEL, by LeRoy J. Halsey, D. D. Small 12mo., pp. 204. Philadelphia Presbyterian Board of Publication.

"His name shall be called wonderful." Such is the motto of the present volume. We noticed lately a work from the same author entitled "Life Pictures from the Bible," in which he gave a brief delineation of the leading characters of the Bible, heroes and sages, kings and statesmen, prophets and apostles. In the present volume the author rises to the fountain head. Instead of gazing on stars of greater or less magnitude, he rises to the contemplation of the Sun of Righteousness. The work is an attempt to exhibit, in some measure at least, the glories of the Son of God, as these have been or will be presented to man—in his holy life, his mighty miracles, his matchless in-