

in one person. The question of Misgiving says, 'What lack I yet?'; that of Doubt, 'Art thou he that should come?'; that of Failure, 'Why could not we cast him out?'; that of Poverty, 'Whence should we have so much bread?' Then there is the question of Remonstrance, 'Goest thou thither again?'; that of Ambition, 'Who is the greatest?'; and that of Folly, 'Are there few that be saved?' These discourses are very sensible and practical, but as bald and void of illustration as those of Marcus Dods. One is really astonished in the first to find Dr. Denney quoting Strauss' criticism of Jesus as doing injustice to the instinct of accumulation, and Francis of Sales, to the effect that no one had ever confessed to him the sin of covetousness. Advanced Christians don't need these books, and hardly anybody else will read them. Here, then, is a great waste in the economy of religious literature.

Much more sprightly is Dr. John Monro Gibson, on *The Unity and Symmetry of the Bible*, an apologetic treatise. It has no divisions, being the expansion of a lecture frequently delivered by the author, and based in part upon Bernard's *Progress of Doctrine in the New Testament*. The book begins with an amusing piece of personal experience, and, while its tone throughout is most devout and earnest, it presents characterizations, harmonies, and analogies that lighten up its pages. Dr. Gibson characterizes the books of the Old Testament and those of the New, according as they express the ideas of Manifestation, Application, Experience, and Outlook. In the first class we find the Hextateuch and the Gospels; in the second, the Old Testament historical books and the Acts; in the third, the Hagiographa and the Epistles; and in the fourth, the Prophets and the Apocalypse. This little book is one of the best replies to the insane attack of Max Nordau. Nevertheless, I doubt if the people we want to reach with our popular apologetic would have patience to follow the argument, clearly and pleasantly expressed as it is. The crying want of the day is a popularizer of Christianity in all its departments, one not afraid