

"Historical Notes," 1914; Deane in "Handbooks for Bible Classes," 1915, a small volume which can be secured for seventy cents and contains in brief form the results of the best scholarship; C. Anderson Scott in "The Century Bible"; and F. C. Porter in "The Messages of the Apocalyptists." For a concise and satisfactory account of Apocalyptic Literature, nothing better than Porter's will be found. For a complete and exhaustive treatment the large volumes of Dr. Charles' "Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha" must be secured. There has since been issued, however, a smaller work by Ocsterley, "The Books of the Apocrypha, etc." For the history of the interpretation of the book, Dr. Charles' small volume, "Studies in the Apoc'ypse," will be found helpful. This is a portion of a larger work about to be issued on the Book of Revelation for "The International Critical Commentary." For the historical situation, Sir Wm. Ramsay's "Messages to the Seven Churches" should be read. Of course the articles in Hastings' Dictionary and The Encyclopedia Biblica should be consulted.

That the reading of the following pages may create a greater interest in the study of the interbiblical period of Jewish history, particularly the literature of the time; and that it may also furnish some sound principles for the interpretation of a book of recognized difficulties, is the sincere hope of the writer.

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