

Observance of these rules will enable us to realize the truth of these words found in the pocket book of a great philanthropist after death:

"What I spent I had,"  
 "What I saved I lost,"  
 "What I gave I have."

### Books and Periodicals Department.

*A History of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.* By Charles C. Tiffany, D.D., Archdeacon of New York. The Christian Literature Co., New York.

The Christian Literature Co. are to be congratulated upon the production of this condensed history of our sister Church in the United States. It is a book of about 580 pages, well and clearly printed on good paper. The author has also done his work well. He never wearies the reader with any disquisitions or reflections of his own, but tells in clear, terse style the great mass of facts through which he has to make his way. These facts are skillfully put together, and carry the reader on with unabated interest. Indeed, it is hard to lay the book down till it is finished. The story of the Episcopal Church of America, in its early stages, is a melancholy tale. It depicts the struggles of a noble band of men against all difficulties—men who refused to be conquered or driven to hasty expedients, but who held on in hope and prayer till better things should come. "Fearing lest they should fall upon rocks they cast out their anchors and wished for the day." The day has come and is brightening still for this now powerful Church, which in early days refused to be crushed. What a contrast was the General Convention held in Baltimore, in 1892, to that held in the same place in 1808! Read the story as it is told in this most interesting book.

*Practical Christian Sociology.* A special series of lectures delivered before Princeton Theological Seminary, and Marietta College, by Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, Ph.D. Cloth, 12mo., 524 pp. Illustrated with 22 portraits. \$1.50. New York, London, and Toronto: Funk & Wagnalls Company.

This book forcibly discusses present problems on the basis of the latest facts and figures. The first part of the book is chiefly occupied with the lectures which the author delivered in February of this year before Princeton Theological Seminary, on invitation of the Faculty, whose unqualified endorsement of the fairness, thoroughness, and ability shown in the lectures is given in the form of introductory letters. These lectures discuss temperance, gambling, purity, civil service, education, immigration, divorce, woman suffrage, and all the other social problems, not separately, but in their relations to each other as parts of one great problem, which is presented from the standpoints, first, of the Church; second, of the family and education; third, of capital and labor; and fourth, of citizenship. The author's style of writing is clear and distinct.

*The Divine Life in the Church, or Scottish Church Society Conferences.* Second series, two volumes. Edinburgh: J. Gardner Hitt.

The first of these volumes contains a long and exhaustive disquisition upon holy baptism, a most valuable contribution to the right understanding of this frequently neglected and misrepresented sacrament. "The Instructions of Catechumens Before and After First Communion," and "Sponsors: the Obligation Resting upon them, how it may be Best Fulfilled, and What Help the Church Should Furnish them with in Fulfilling it," are also suggestive and valuable papers. The second volume treats of "The Celtic

Inheritance of the Scottish Church," "Neglected Provisions and Remediable Defects in the Presbyterian Organization," "The Revival of Churchmanship in Scotland," "Church Music and Choirs," and various other questions of importance. In perusing these papers it is difficult to persuade oneself that he is reading Presbyterian utterances, so closely allied are they to those of Anglican Churchmen even of the highest type, and one can't help saying, "What doth hinder us from godly concord and union?" Of course there is the defence of the Presbyterian form of church government, but even here a tone somewhat apologetic is assumed, and in one case the Anglican Church, on the question of orders, is spoken of as the church of the reconciliation! In other words, it is hinted that in her lie the elements of true union if only they could be made available. These books make it very evident that a wonderful change has come over the Presbyterian mind and that greater things may yet be hoped for in the future.

*Ever Westward Through Heathen Lands.* By Edith M. E. Raring-Gould. London: Church Missionary Society, Salisbury Square.

This is the new Christmas book for children published by the C.M.S. It is an interesting account, from a missionary point of view, of a journey "right round the world." From England to New York, from there to Niagara Falls, onward to Winnipeg, and across the continent to British Columbia, a fortnight's voyage on the Pacific Ocean, a visit to Japan, journeyings therein and strange scenes described, a sail of three days to China, and a brief sojourn there with descriptions and illustrations of things witnessed and encountered; "homewards" from China, a touch at Singapore, a steam up the hot straits of Malacca, a stop at Ceylon on a burning hot day early in January, a trip to the Red Sea and through the Suez Canal, a rough tossing on the Mediterranean to Brindisi, then a whirl on the railway through Italy to France, and a final run across the Straits of Dover, and so back once more to the shores of old England. Such was the journey, the descriptions and illustrations of which are good throughout.

(1) *The Sunday at Home*, (2) *The Leisure Hour*, (3) *The Boys' Own Paper*, (4) *The Girls' Own Paper*, and other publications. The Religious Tract Society, 56 Paternoster Row, London.

*The Sunday at Home* for November begins a story called "Doctor Adrian," which promises to be interesting. It is a story of Holland in the 16th century. The Dean of Canterbury has a forcible article against the Church of Rome and any possible union with it under the title of "True and False Union." *The Leisure Hour* also begins a new tale entitled "The Dreams of Dania." It is a story of an Irish rectory by Frederick Langbridge, and is written in bright, vivacious style. Both these periodicals are entertaining throughout. *The Boys' Own* and *Girls' Own Papers* are of usual interest to the younger members of the household.

(1) *The Expositor* (one shilling), (2) *The Clergyman's Magazine* (sixpence). London: Hodder and Stoughton, Paternoster Row.

The Rev. Dr. Reynolds has an article in the *Expositor* on Heno-Christianity. If Henotheism (from the Greek word *heis* (henos) *one*), means the consideration of each separate deity by himself, irrespective of his relation to any other divine power, the title of this article must have similar reference to the *One* in Christianity. Its motto is "The One in the many; the many in the One." Professor Simcox, in his article on "The Structure of the Book of Job," gives many suggestive thoughts on that splendid specimen of inspired composition. *The Clergyman's Magazine* contains a touching sketch of Dr. Arnold, the famous headmaster of Rugby, by the Archdeacon of London, and two useful papers on "The Roman Church and its Recent Overtures," and "The Union of Christendom," by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York respectively.