

whatever cost. A note of sympathy with the tried and tempted is a conspicuous feature of the book, 'The chapters entitled "The Shut-ins," "Tired Feet," "Busy Hands," "Broken Lives," "Why Do We Worry?" "Look Forward and not Back," "Forgetting Sorrow," and the like, cannot fail to help busy toilers in this work-a-day world.

Christianity in the Home. By THEODORE L. CUYLER, D.D. Pp. 264. New York: The Baker & Taylor Co. Toronto: William Briggs. Price, \$1.20.

We sometimes wonder why gifted preachers do not more largely use the pen. Amid the urgent duties and engrossing cares of their office, they could still greatly enlarge their sphere and increase their usefulness by the written word, which can go beyond the spoken voice, and keep sounding on when that is silent forever. By his almost innumerable newspaper articles, and the like, Dr. Cuyler has done more good than even by his marvellously successful ministry. This new collection of papers has the same practical character as his previous volumes. What a theme he has! Among the topics treated are The Conversion of Children, Extravagant Living, the Flaw in the Wedding Link, the Home Side of the Drink Question, the Girdle of Love, God's Children in Dark Hours, God's Cure for Worrying, Rest but do not Loiter, Fruit in Old Age, and kindred topics.

The First Words from God, or Truths Made Known in the First Two Chapters of the Holy Word, also the Harmonizing of the Records of the Resurrection Morning. By FRANCIS W. UPHAM, LL.D. New York: Hunt & Eaton. Toronto: William Briggs. Price, \$1.00.

Dr. Upham is the author of numerous valuable works on the Bible and its interpretation. He here treats with characteristic skill the story of creation and the fall, and in the second part presents a harmonization of the four records of the resurrection of our Lord. Both tasks are ably fulfilled.

Teutonic Switzerland and Romance Switzerland. By W. D. McCRAKEN. Two volumes in case, gilt top. Boston: Joseph Knight Company. Toronto: Wm. Briggs. Price, \$1.75.

These dainty volumes are as graceful a treatment of the legends, traditions and folklore of Switzerland as we have anywhere seen. As good in their way as Howells' charming "Little Swiss Journey." The writer knows his Switzerland well, and describes with sympathetic touch the scenic attractions and historic and romantic associations of this fair land of mountain and flood. These little books will add greatly to the enjoyment of a tour through Switzerland, and give just the sort of information which guide-books lack.

A Florida Sketch-Book. By BEADFORD TORREY. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Toronto: William Briggs. 16mo, 237 pages. Price, \$1.50.

This is not a book of travel on a hackneyed theme. It is a sympathetic study of bird-life and woodlore amid the everglades of the sunny South. The author reveals a wonder-world of beauty and mystery and subtle adaptation among the bayous and pine forests, till we feel that in the realm of nature nothing is common or unclean.

William Blacklock, Journalist: A Story of Press Life. By T. BANKS MACLACHLAN. Edinburgh: Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier. Toronto: Wm. Briggs. Pp. 320. Price, \$1.25.

Newspaperdom has long been called the fourth estate, and in numbers, energy and influence it is, indeed, a very powerful estate of the realm. Every person is interested in newspaper life, and this well-written story takes us behind the scenes, shows the seamy side as well as the smooth side of journalism, and describes editor-baiting, as well as editor-bullying. Amid the grinding of the press and the high-pressure life of newspaperdom, the tender passion seems to be a no less potent influence than in other spheres.